



April 17, 2020

RE: COVID-19 Response Update 6.0 - 2020 Spring Recreational Season Cancelled

Good evening Mudsock Youth Athletics families,

The Mudsock Youth Athletics board of directors met virtually last night for its April board meeting. After deliberation and discussion, the board voted to cancel the spring recreational season for all of its member leagues. While I firmly believe this was the right decision, I am disappointed that so many children in our community will not be able to participate in the physical activity outlet that we have been able to provide for over 30 years.

Our board recognized that our decision would be shared at a time when announcements are being made about "opening up the economy" and government entities discussing "loosening of shelter in place" orders. After consulting with health officials, and our partners at the City of Fishers and HSE Schools, we believe this decision was made in the best interest of our families and the Fishers community as a whole.

Even though our recreational seasons are cancelled, we are continuing to work with our baseball, softball and lacrosse leagues on the status of their travel seasons. While organized team activities are still suspended, and usage of all Mudsock Youth Athletics' fields and facilities is prohibited, your individual leagues will provide additional information about the status of your season at a later date.

As a result of the spring recreational season cancellation, the Mudsock Youth Athletics staff will begin the refund process for all of the spring registrants. Due to the quantity of refunds, we anticipate this process to take multiple weeks. We will refund back to credit cards as our system allows and complete the remaining refunds by check. Our board of directors voted that every participant's registration will be refunded their league registration fees minus the non-refundable fees as stated in the registration agreement. Mudsock Youth Athletics is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization and those non-refundable fees go toward the cost of background checks, insurance, league marketing and other business operations.

The board of directors also voted to suspend the start of fall registration which would normally begin May 1. While we believe there is a path forward to provide programming in the fall season, we do not want to ask families to decide on registration until we have more information about the ongoing COVID-19 response and recovery.

I will resume my weekly updates when we have more information to share on fall registration and the start of the fall season, but we continue to be available to answer any questions you may have via e-mail at info@myathletics.com or via our social channels on Twitter @MudsockYouth and on Facebook at www.fb.com/MudsockYouth.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding,

Scott Spillman
Executive Director

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