



## Lincoln Youth Football League Inc. 2020 Season Update 8/10/2020

We want to give everyone an update on the status of 2020 Lincoln Youth Football League season. The season has officially begun and we currently have over 1000 kids registered to play tackle and flex football in 2020. That is a record number for the last 5 to 7 years.

The Lincoln Youth Football League (LYF) has worked closely with the Lincoln Lancaster County Health Department over the last month to create a reopening plan that was approved for us to start the season. This plan is very fluid and will be updated and changes will be made as needed. It is our hope that the games will still look and feel the same as they always have on Sundays, but in order for us to be able to provide a season for your athletes we need your help to ensure the health and safety of everyone involved. We are requesting that you please monitor your athlete(s) for signs and symptoms of Covid-19 <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html> Please do daily temperature monitoring before any LYF event. If you, your athlete, or anyone in your house is sick, please stay home and notify your athletes coach if they are sick. When you are at practice please make a good faith attempt to social distance from other parents and do not enter the practice area unless it is a true emergency. When coming to a game at the LYF Runza Sports Complex please wait in your car or outside the front gate area until 5-10 minutes before your athlete's scheduled start time and please exit the complex immediately follow the game. Please social distance as much as possible, and bring your own chair as there will be no bleacher seating this year. We encourage you to frequently use the hand sanitizer stations that will be placed around the complex. We strongly encourage wearing a mask whenever and reasonable possible. We have asked our teams, to as much as reasonably possible, to follow these same requests. Team will not hold inner squad scrimmages. Coaches will keep kids in the same groups and they will keep meticulous attendance records, so that we can do contract tracing should be it required. Teams will be disinfecting equipment regularly to ensure the safety of all of our staff and athletes.

As we are all hearing today and this last weekend the fall college football season does not look very positive, but fortunately for all of us we do not have the travel requirements that major college programs have to contend with. As you all know we play all of our games in Lincoln/Lancaster County and do not play any teams from outside of Lincoln. The citizens of Lincoln/Lancaster County have done a great job in working hard to flatten the curve and the numbers in Lincoln look good at this time. Please continue to follow the recommendation of the health experts and encourage those around you to do the same and we will be able to have a football season that everyone will remember for a very long time.

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