



Welcome back to Miracle League Baseball! Our mission continues: To create positive life experiences for individuals with special needs and for their families through baseball. We ask parents, athletes, coaches, volunteers, and guests to join us in returning to play responsibly by learning our new ground rules.

- **WEAR a face covering over your nose and mouth.** EVERYONE must wear masks or face coverings while at the Miracle League field. Exceptions may be made for individuals who experience health or sensory issues, contact Cyndy Vagle at CVagle@MLTriangle.com in advance for an exception.
- **Wait 6 feet apart.** Avoid close contact - Please maintain at least 6 feet between yourself and others.
- **Wash your hands often or use hand sanitizer.** Hand sanitizer will be readily available at the field.
- **Cleaning & Disinfecting** - Our staff will clean the facility after every game. Do your part by keeping your area clean and disposing of trash.
- **Health Monitoring** – All participants going on the field will be given a Health Screening. Stay home if you have had contact with someone with Covid OR are displaying *any* Covid19 symptoms OR have engaged in high-risk-exposure activities such as large gatherings or air travel less than 14 days of your game.

BUDDIES

- **Players must provide their own Buddy** who can participate on the ball field for the full season.
- Buddies should be in high school or older and must wear facemasks.
- Players must provide the name of their buddy at the time of season sign-up.
- ALL buddies must register online as a volunteer via our website and request the player by name.
- Players who cannot secure a buddy and are comfortable with a community volunteer may complete a [Full-Season Buddy Request](#) form. There is NO guarantee a volunteer can be secured for any player. Buddy assignments will be made based on need and timing of a request before the season begins.
- Any volunteer who wishes to make a commitment to a team for the full season, assisting a player who is unable to secure their own buddy, must be a registered volunteer on our website and apply to be a team buddy at www.MLTriangle.com.

GAME DAY

Pre-Game

- **Teams will check in at the back corner of the field house** for health screenings. ONLY players and their buddies should report to the check-in table.
- Players will be assigned bats to eliminate sharing.
- Miracle League will *not* provide batting helmets, ball gloves or foam bats. Players may bring their own personal, clearly labeled, equipment. Do not share your equipment with anyone.
- **Participants should bring their own filled water bottles.** No water coolers provided in the dugout. ONLY water is allowed on the field and in the dugouts.
- Participants will take their positions on the field or dugout for the National Anthem and announcements. No one will line-up on the base paths.

During the Game

- Participants must wear face masks.
- Only one team will be on the field per game and split the dugouts.
- Balls hit or thrown over a fence cannot be returned to gameplay. They should be collected by staff for sanitation.

Post-game

- No high-fives, handshakes, and hugs on the base paths after the game.
- Please promptly leave the facility so sanitation can be completed before the next team arrives.

SPECTATOR NOTES

- **Please bring your own seating and shade.** Bleachers, picnic tables and other seating will not be available.
- Spectators are expected to maintain social distancing between family groups and wear face coverings.
- Please stay 6 ft. back from the field fences. Please do not approach fences to talk to players during the game.
- Water fountains will be disabled.

COVID REPORTING

If a player, volunteer, or spectator test positive for Covid or become aware they have been exposed to someone with Covid, **contact Cyndy Vagle immediately at 919-819-2380.** Do not contact coaches. Contact MLT staff.

SCHEDULE

To provide a fun *and* safe season, the Miracle League must limit the number of players at the field for each game. We intend to have teams play alternating weeks for a total of 6 scheduled games, between March 5 and May 29. Enrollment will dictate final schedule decisions. Due to team-size limits, we cannot accept specific team requests or make promises for specific team assignments. As always, we will strive to maintain team rosters when possible.

USE SOUND JUDGEMENT

This has been a difficult time for all our Miracle League families. Social distancing, face masks and many other restrictions we have been dealing with are tough for our players to understand. While the League will do its best to make accommodations and provide the best experience possible for all of our participants, we also recognize that not everyone will be ready to return to the ball field with the guidelines we are required to uphold. You know your situation best. We depend on you to make the best decision for your family while considering others who are participating and following the guidelines set upon the League.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

Please direct any questions or concerns to Cyndy Vagle, Director of Baseball Operations, at CVagle@MLTriangle.com.