



# PORTAGE YOUTH BASEBALL

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## STATEMENT ON PORTAGE YOUTH BASEBALL 2020 SEASON

*Tuesday, June 9, 2020*

**Please note that this situation is very fluid, and this information may change multiple times!**

Portage Youth Baseball (PYB) has reviewed the results from the COVID-19 survey. We would like to thank all the parents for providing their input on what you would like to see moving forward. The overwhelming response was that parents and players want baseball during the summer of 2020.

The PYB Board has created COVID-19 Safety Guidelines and a COVID-19 Supplemental Waiver. If players and volunteers want to participate, the COVID-19 Supplemental Waiver will be required to be signed. A refusal to sign the COVID-19 Supplemental Waiver will result in your player not being placed on a team or you not being allowed to volunteer.

With the current restrictions in place by the City of Portage, PYB is working with the City to allow teams to begin practicing as quickly as possible. The plan is that once the restrictions change, our goal is to play games in the months of July and August. To be totally transparent, the ability to play games is based on the restrictions changing for the better. At this time, there are no guarantees that any games will be played this year.

If you or your player has no desire to play baseball or volunteer in 2020 and would like to be refunded (if applicable), you must complete the COVID-19 Refund Request on our website instead of the COVID-19 Supplemental Waiver. (Note: The COVID-19 Supplemental Waiver and the COVID-19 Refund Request are in the same online form. You will choose which option to complete when completing the form). PYB will be processing refunds as quickly as possible.

PYB will not be fundraising during the 2020 season due to the potential hardships that some of our families may currently be facing. PYB will be working to return the deposits that have been made and refund parents who chose to buyout of fundraising. This will take time and PYB hopes to have this completed by July 15, 2020.

There will be no in-person player draft for the Minor & Major Divisions this year. The PYB Board will create teams with input from coaches.

The COVID-19 Supplemental Waiver/COVID-19 Refund Request form must be completed no later than Sunday, June 14, 2020 at 5:00 PM CDT. Any players that do not have the COVID-19 Supplemental Waiver submitted by the deadline will be issued a full refund and will not be placed on a team this season.

Thanks,

Jeff Johnson  
Portage Youth Baseball