

June 1, 2020

NLL members, coaches, parents, and participants:

First and foremost, we hope that this letter finds you well despite these uncertain times. As we have navigated this unprecedented pandemic, the Northfield Little League Board has regularly been discussing the 2020 Spring season. While our league has consistently been one of the leaders within District 16 and we are always ready for the next pitch, the next fly ball, the next game, we believe that taking a slower approach in this particular situation would be best. After exhausting our options and closely monitoring the ever-changing guidelines, recommendations, and government orders, we came to the conclusion that because of the significant public health uncertainty that will certainly still exist within the coming weeks, it would be impossible and irresponsible for us to try and bring your children, families, and friends to our fields. With that said, we regret to inform you that Northfield Little League has made the decision to cancel the 2020 Spring Baseball and Softball season.

Fall Ball:

We will continue to access the situation over the next few months and determine if and when the best time will be to start the Fall 2020 Baseball and Softball season. Due to the situation at hand, Little League International is allowing leagues to continue to utilize the 2020 League Age Chart for players through the fall season meaning that 12-year-old boys for baseball and 16-year-old girls for softball can still finish out their last year of play.

Refunds:

As this global pandemic was an unfortunate situation that is out of the control of our Board of Directors, we kindly encourage those requesting a refund to, instead, consider accepting a credit for either the Fall Ball season or the Spring 2021 season in order to help offset operational costs that the league has already incurred prior to

the pandemic. If you have a player aging out of the league and/or you have or will have other children enrolled, you may use the refund credit towards their registration fees. If you would still like an refund, please email admin@NorthfieldLL.org and we will get that out to you as quickly as possible.

Alternate Leagues:

Although we are heartbroken to have to call off our Spring 2020 season, for those that want to push through, the game may still be available elsewhere. Because Northfield Little League has opted to cancel, our would-be players are allowed to sign-up and play for a different Little League organization that is offering a Spring 2020 season. Should you wish to do so, please reach out to that town's organization directly with a request to play.

The safety and well-being of all our players, families, and participants is always paramount, and today, is more important than ever. While we no longer have the excitement of our Spring 2020 season to look forward to, we hope that, when safe and appropriate, we can see you all back on the fields.

Sincerely,

Jason Yard, President

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