



Board of Directors
Cedar Park Youth League

May 1, 2020

Dear Parents, Coaches, Family and Friends,

Wow! What a ride the last six weeks have been for all of us! We hope all our families are doing well and safe, and we know many of you miss being at the ballpark, seeing coaches, teammates, friends, loved ones and cheering on our boys and girls as they grow in this great sport. Each of us on the Board of Directors feels the same. Today, we would like to provide you an update regarding what we know, what we do not know, and the potential of resuming the baseball/softball season.

On April 27th, Governor Abbott announced the initial plan for Opening Texas in a phased approach starting today, May 1st. As communicated in our first COVID-19 announcement on March 13, the safety and health of all our players, coaches and their families is of utmost importance, and we will continue to make decisions with that as our top priority. Phase 1 of the State's plan limits individual outdoor sports to a maximum of four participants. We have conferred with the City of Cedar Park, who owns the CPYL property, regarding the interpretation of this part of Gov Abbott's orders and they have advised no organized group activities at league/city facilities be allowed until mid/late May at the earliest pending details announced regarding the State's Phase 2 guidelines and timeframe. Some reasoning includes it would be logistically impossible to ensure any use of the facilities will adhere to the requirements, limitations, appropriate social distancing, etc. as well as the guidelines refer to "individual" sports activities and do not specifically reference team sports or organized activities such as practices. **Considering the advice of the City, the Board of Directors has determined CPYL operations will continue to be suspended and facilities will remain in a closed status through at least May 17, 2020.** We expect Gov Abbott to announce Phase 2 details on or before May 18th, at which time the Board of Directors will reevaluate if it may be possible to resume some form of practices during the second half of May or early June.

Regarding the potential to resume the spring season, we remain in a wait-and-see state as we must await additional information and guidance from government and health officials as it pertains to organized sports. At this time, we know games will not be played before June and we are considering the *possibility* of resuming the season in mid June and playing through the end of July. Again, we want to stress this is only a possibility as we continue to consider various scenarios and the logistical feasibility of adhering to required regulations and additional policies and guidelines the Board of Directors feel are necessary to help ensure the health and safety of everyone. We hope to obtain sufficient information and guidance in the next several weeks to enable us to make an informed decision. Number of games played and potential playoff formats under any scenario in which baseball and softball may be resumed is still under discussion. Contingencies if the season cannot be resumed are also being discussed, including a partial refund of registration fees. We will continue to provide updates as the situation progresses and as decisions are made. Today, we were also informed **the Centex All-Stars Series 2020 has been cancelled** and will resume in 2021. There will be no post-season all-stars baseball even if we are able to resume the season.

Again, as a reminder, during this period CPYL facilities are fully closed to all persons regardless of purpose or number of individuals, to include games, practices, use of batting cages, and any ad hoc use of CPYL owned facilities. Please continue to take care of yourself and your families, and we hope to see everyone again soon!

Sincerely,

Nathan Ross

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