

## Proposed Narrative for Website and FB Page:

The Massac Youth Soccer League (MYSL) in affiliation with the Illinois Youth Soccer Association (IYSA) is dedicated to protecting the health and safety of our soccer community. We understand that our kids, parents and coaches want to get back on the field, but it must be done with focus on safety for our participants and following state and local guidelines for resumption of activities. On July 29, 2020, Governor Pritzger and Public Health authorities announced a change to allowable sports activities. The new rules designate soccer as a “medium risk” sport which allows for trainings and intra-team scrimmages.

So, what does that mean for the Massac Youth Soccer League? We plan to return to the field under the following structure:

- Teams (not to exceed 50 members, including coaches) will be organized by age group
- Smaller scrimmage groups will be organized from the larger team, each with a designated coach and weekly practice time
- Intra team scrimmage games will take place weekly (at the soccer complex)
- Teams will not participate or host tournaments
- No out of state play
- Illinois residents only can register for a team
- Games against other club or recreational leagues are not allowed
- Games or practices during the season may have to be suspended if public health guidelines change or if the MYSL is informed by a public health agency that a period of quarantine is required
- A registered player MUST have a parent or guardian sign the Communicable Disease Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement (attached herein)
- Spectators will be allowed to watch the scrimmage games but will do so from the “Family Zone”, set back 30 feet from the field.
- We encourage all participants to review the Restore Illinois Phase 4 Return to Play Protocol Version 2 <https://dceocovid19resources.com/restore-illinois/restore-illinois-phase-4/youth-and-adult-sports-guidelines/>

We believe a return to play is physically and mentally good for our kids. We ask your support is doing this in the safest manner possible. Soccer may look different this year but we are in this together, and together we can provide a safe, recreational opportunity for our kids to get some exercise, improve their skills... and do it in a safe manner.