

Dear GGSL Families,

First, we want to extend healthy, safe and positive well-wishes to all of our GGSL families and community members at-large. We write this note to you after lengthy discourse and amid a persistent uncertainty regarding life as we have known it. In regard to our 2020 GGSL Rec Season, we have debated, waited for direction from appropriate authorities and weighed financial options as a collective, thoughtful, volunteer run, community-based league. Though financially, this decision will ultimately impact us largely and detrimentally, we can only imagine the many, many families already negatively affected by this pandemic.

Though the values developed, instilled and enhanced through youth sports can never quite be replaced, our good conscious analysis of the current situation has led us to the decision of officially terminating the 2020 Rec season. We continue, as a collective Board, to detail and discuss possible opportunities specific to our younger athletes (Rookie and Single A). We continue to be held accountable to time, metrics, awkward and new social practices as well as general uncomfortable feelings circulating from our collection of GGSL parents. Perhaps with sanctions lifted or lessened, we would like to think that camps, clinics and skills segments might be introduced as opportunities to keep our youth engaged with softball.

Forcing decisions on the stewards of our young people seems like an irresponsible and impractical imposition in an already stress ladened climate. Therefore, with the decision to cancel our season, please know that GGSL plans to offer the same three options previously mentioned in earlier correspondences regarding registration money. An email will be going out shortly to all those who registered for Rec detailing the options and next steps.

Although opportunities for our youth are seemingly shrinking around us, please know that GGSL remains committed to healthy and safe experiences for our athletes and their families. This has been and will remain a priority of factors guiding our decisions.

Please keep safe and we hope to see you all on the diamond again soon.

The GGSL Board