



March 28, 2021

Hello Parents and Supporters of Easton Baseball:

It was an exciting day for all of us to start the 2021 baseball season on Saturday with an 8-2 win over Bangor High School. Our JV's won 17-0 and the Junior High team opens with Whitehall on Monday. It certainly has been a long, hard road when it comes to fighting the Covid 19 battles we all do each day in our lines of work and in our daily lives. For those of you who have been affected by having the virus, knowing a loved one who has, or simply been quarantined due to the virus know all too well the struggles associated with each.

The EASD administration has asked us to seriously approach the season with immense caution and with a strong structure of rules intended to keep us on the field, so as to give our student athletes the ability to compete once again in this spring season. We all know what it felt like to have missed an entire season in 2020 and we don't want to miss a pitch this season!

The attendance at Saturday's game was incredible and it was so exciting for the kids to see the support of their families, friends, and community. However, it was brought to our attention that a majority of the folks in the spectator area were not masked or socially distanced. This is a potential issue on school grounds and may cause us and other sports issue if we don't address this.

Easton Baseball is asking its fans and supporters to continue to take all necessary measures and follow the guidance of public health officials, including wearing a mask and practicing physical distancing when attending any of our games at home or on the road. We are asking our athletes to be accountable by following strict guidance on the playing field so we are kindly asking our fans and all spectators to do the same. Just one case of Covid in our roster could cause our season to be shut down for a long period of time and cost the kids valuable competition dates that they have worked so hard to be a part of!

A player with Covid may miss up to 17 days with Covid return protocols in place by St. Luke's and the EASD. Someone who is a close contact in a home with a person who has Covid could miss up to 21 days even with no symptoms. This is very serious as that would essentially be a minimum of at least 7-8 games – almost half a season! That is why we are trying to do all we can to make sure we are giving our players the best chance!

Respectfully, we share this information and hope that all of us can do our part to increase the chances for our players to compete with the minimum disruption to our season. Please kindly follow all EASD rules set forth for spectators and also when visiting other schools on our schedule.

Sincerely with Thanks!

The Easton Baseball Program

