

Considerations for Masks/Face Coverings

July 2, 2020

Based on Governor Kelly's Executive Order 20-52 (released July 2, 2020), and unless specific guidance within your county indicates otherwise, masks or other face coverings should be worn by participants in any organized sports activity anytime participants are around others and unable to maintain 6-foot physical distancing. Per CDC guidelines, individuals who are engaged in high intensity activities, like running, may not be able to wear a mask or face covering if it causes difficulty breathing. Additionally, masks should not be worn during activities that cause the mask to become wet. The KSHSAA encourages coaches to consider alternative activities if adequate physical distancing cannot be maintained in the absence of the participant wearing a mask. All non-participants in workout activities such as coaches, staff and non-participating students should wear a mask or face covering at all times when around others and 6-foot physical distancing cannot be maintained.