



UPDATED MASK GUIDELINES

Following the Governor's executive order and the Illinois Department of Public Health guidance the Niles Park District is updating its current mask guidelines. The Governor's order states that fully vaccinated individuals are no longer required to wear face masks and can resume activities without wearing a face mask or social distance from other individuals. Here is a summary of the new guidelines:

Outdoor Facilities and Programs

- Fully vaccinated individuals are not required to wear a face mask or social distance.
- Individuals not fully vaccinated are encouraged to wear a face mask when social distancing is not possible.
- Youth sports, summer camps, and other youth programs will continue to follow DCEO Guidance which currently requires face masks.

Indoor Facilities and Programs

- Fully vaccinated individuals are not required to wear a face mask or social distance during classes, lessons, or activities (Unless participating with individuals under the age of 12).
- Individuals not fully vaccinated must continue to wear a mask and social distance in classes, lessons, or activities.
- Youth sports, summer camps, and programs will continue to follow DCEO Guidance which currently requires face masks.

Facilities that will allow fully vaccinated individuals to enter without a mask include:

- Tam Tennis
- Howard Leisure Center
- Pioneer batting cages and miniature golf (as long as you can social distance)
- LoVerde Recreation Center
- GolfView Recreation Center
- Iceland Ice Rink
- Tam Golf Course
- Parks and playgrounds

Individuals who **are not fully vaccinated must continue to wear a mask** in the above facilities, parks, and programs.

Staff will not be checking vaccination cards, per the Governor's current Executive Order. By participating in a Park District program, lesson, or activity or visiting a Park District facility without a face mask, you are verifying truthfully that you have been fully vaccinated.

Instructors and coaches involving children under the age of 12 will continue to wear masks whether they are vaccinated or not.

Programs and Facilities that Still Require Masks

Until further guidance is received, masks are still required for everyone in the following programs:

- Programs serving children under 12
- All Summer Camps
- Preschool programs
- Youth Sports
- Oasis Pool

You are considered fully vaccinated:

- Two weeks after your second dose in a 2 dose series, such as Pfizer or Moderna vaccines.
- Two weeks after a single dose vaccine such as Johnson and Johnson.
- If you don't meet these requirements regardless of your age you are NOT fully vaccinated. Please keep taking all necessary precautions until you are fully vaccinated.

All Niles Park District staff will continue to wear a face covering for the safety of patrons and co-workers

We acknowledge this change in operations, while welcome by many, may be concerning to others. Please remember, vaccinated individuals can always choose to continue to wear a face mask and practice social distancing if they are more comfortable doing so. We ask that you are respectful of other's decision and realize wearing a mask while visiting a Park District facility or participating in a program is not an indication of a person's vaccination status.