

## BVGSA BACKGROUND CHECK POLICY

All volunteers & participants 18 years and older within <u>Brazos Valley Girls Softball Association</u> must submit a background check through USA Softball each season. All background checks are processed online through the following website: registarusasoftball.com. USA Softball background check provider National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI) will conduct the background check.

As the National Governing Body of Softball in the United States, USA Softball has taken steps in an effort to protect the youth who participate in our sport.

USA Softball has retained the services of National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI) to provide timely background check screenings and all background checks are processed online through RegisterUSASoftball.com and the background check provider NCSI. Background checks conducted by USA Softball are for the sole purpose of determining eligibility for USA Softball sanctioned events and are not used for employment screening. Local organizing bodies may conduct their own background screening and interviews to determine member eligibility in their programs.

Members who are background checked include adult non-players in youth play, umpires, scorekeepers, staff and other volunteers.

Participants who process a background check, through RegisterUSASoftball.com, can login to their account and download an ID card from USA Softball stating that they've passed the background check. If more information is needed, USA Softball will email the participant.

All volunteers must receive a "PASSED" status for their background check in order to be able to participate in the current season.

If a volunteer is seen on the field or in the dugout that has not had a background check completed or not received a "PASSED" status for their background check, they will be asked to leave the field/dugout and the head coach will receive a warning. If it happens again the team will forfeit the game and the head coach (coach that took the plate meeting with the umpire) will be asked to leave and can NOT EVER return as a coach or volunteer within BVGSA.

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