# **2022** COVID GUIDE FOR CAMP









## **Hello Group Leader!**

We are thrilled to return to camp this summer. This guide will help you prepare and answer questions your parents are likely asking and let you know what to expect when you come to camp. You'll learn what precautions we are committed to taking, as well as our expectations for participants. Prevention is our preferred strategy for COVID-19, rather than reacting to it. Working together is what will allow for a safe and successful summer.

We want camp to be a normal experience, and we want it to be safe.

- We recommend that your group sit together during mealtimes and all large group gatherings.
- Other requirements will vary by location. Check our website for specific safety requirements.

This plan is subject to change as we receive more guidance from local authorities and medical professionals. We will continue to update this guide as needed throughout the summer.

## **Scheduled Updates:**

- April 18, 2022
- May 6, 2022
- June 3, 2022
- July 1, 2022

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# Section 1: Pre-Camp Participant Responsibilities for COVID-19 Prevention

## **Participant Responsibilities**

- 1. Parents signing the "Participant Form" will acknowledge that no campers displaying COVID-related symptoms will attend camp.
  - Fever (of 100.4 or greater) or chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headache
  - · New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion or runny nose
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea

**NOTE**: Campers will NOT be required to complete an additional COVID Screening form.

- 2. Participants who were recently exposed to COVID-19 before camp must have a negative test 5 days from the date of last known exposure and be showing no symptoms. If fully vaccinated, no quarantine is required, but monitor for symptoms.
- 3. Purchase and pack hand sanitizer, face coverings, and hand soap that you may choose to utilize at camp. Some may choose to also bring additional cleaning supplies (wipes, disinfectant spray) to wipe down their dorm rooms during the week. Bring a couple of COVID tests as well in case of notification of a camper having been exposed to someone back home.

#### **Group Leader Responsibilities**

- 1. Group Leaders signing the "Church Agreement" will acknowledge that no campers displaying COVID-related symptoms (listed above) will attend camp and if symptoms arise, it will be reported to camp leadership immediately.
- 2. Train adult leaders attending camp with your group on the responsibilities outlined in this document and the safety requirements at your camp location (if any apply).
- 3. Have a communication plan for parents in the unlikely event of their child showing symptoms while at camp.

#### QUESTION: Should I bring extra leaders this year?

While not required, extra leaders could be a tremendous help to you. Keep in mind that IF a student needs to get tested for COVID-19 and is positive, the adult leader who took them to get medical attention would be considered a close contact and must return home as well if they do not meet an exemption guideline (vaccinated, past recovered case, etc.). Please recognize that this could affect the group leader, so have a plan ahead of time just in case.

**NOTE:** For individual campers who get COVID just prior to camp after final balances are paid, we will refund all monies for the sick camper. We apologize that partial refunds cannot be given if participants don't complete the week of camp. For groups choosing to cancel on their own, see the financial policies on our website.

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# Section 2: At-Camp COVID-19 Response Plan

### **Participant Responsibilities**

- 1. All participants are required to comply with all COVID-19 guidelines designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19 infection and promote the health and safety of those attending camp.
- Notify Group Leader and do not participate in activities if any participant develops any of the COVID-19 symptoms listed above in Section 1.
- 3. We will not require masks -- unless required by local guidelines. CDC-approved face coverings are recommended if you are immuno-compromised.
- 4. Practice social distancing and limit touch and direct contact with other participants.
- 5. Wash hands thoroughly throughout each day of camp and use hand sanitizer when hand washing is not available.
- 6. Do not share food or drink.

NOTE: Campus-specific safety requirements are found on our COVID-19 Updates page.

#### **Group Leader Responsibilities**

- Specifically check the health of all your participants before they leave their rooms each day of camp and immediately report to your Camp Director any participants who show COVID-19 symptoms at camp.
- Make sure all your participants are following health and hygiene practices, including hand washing, using hand sanitizer, social distancing, and wearing a face covering if required.
- 3. Care for any isolated or quarantined participants (meal delivery, parent communication, medical treatment, and travel plans).
- 4. Costs associated with COVID-19 testing, medical attention, or other related costs.

**NOTE**: Any intentional, significant, pervasive, or repeated violations of COVID-19 guidelines, including local requirements related to face coverings and physical distancing, will be addressed individually, and may result in the person(s) or the group being sent home.

## **Camp Staff Responsibilities**

- 1. Camp staff will provide a room/place for isolated or quarantined participants until plans to return home are made or as participants wait to be picked up as soon as possible.
- 2. Staff will follow the same protocols and COVID-19 response for participants and will support your group in any way possible to adhere to the guidelines

## In Case of A Symptomatic Participant

- 1. If any participant has symptoms(s) of COVID-19, immediately remove him or her from camp activities. Camp leadership will work with the Group Leader to provide an isolation area if the camper's existing housing is not feasible.
- Work with camp leadership to identify roommates and other participants who were exposed to the symptomatic participant(s). Likely scenarios include roommates at camp or seat-mates if the prior 48 hours include travel. Begin to monitor these potentially exposed participants more closely for symptoms.

**NOTE**: Exposure is defined as being within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period. Tracking exposure begins at 48 hours prior to the sign of their first symptom.

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- 3. Contact parents and consider the need for medical attention and/or a rapid test.
- 4. If a rapid test is negative and an alternative diagnosis is provided, the participants may be allowed to return to camp activities, if not contagious with another illness (strep, flu, etc.).
- 5. If the participant is unable to get a negative rapid test (by availability, willingness to test, or positive result), the participant must return home as quickly as possible.
- 6. Any close contact(s) will be immediately removed from camp activities if the symptomatic participant's rapid test comes back positive. The Group Leader must contact parents and make plans to get the exposed participant(s) home as quickly as possible.
- 7. If you had close contact with someone with COVID-19 and you are in one of the following groups, you do not need to quarantine.
  - You are fully vaccinated
  - You had a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the last 90 days

## In Case of Exposure From Home, Notified At Camp

- If any participant finds out during a camp week that someone from home has just tested positive for COVID-19, the Group Leader must notify camp leadership and quarantine any exposed individuals.
  - As noted above:
    - Exposure tracking begins 48 hours prior to symptoms
    - Close contact is within 6 ft for more than 15 minutes
- 2. The exposed participant must be removed from camp activities and return home as soon as possible unless exception guidelines apply:
  - You are fully vaccinated
  - You had a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the last 90 days

**NOTE**: A negative test does not exempt you from an exposure quarantine unless the participant is 5 days past exposure. Please talk to your camp leadership before testing any exposed individuals.

# In Case of A "Secondary Exposure"

QUESTION: I was not around a COVID-positive person, but I was around someone who was a "close contact" to a positive case. Since I am a secondary exposure, do I have to quarantine too?

No. Only participants who were in close contact (within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period) with a confirmed COVID-19 positive individual will be required to quarantine. We do not consider secondary exposure problematic.