



Opening Summer Camp Safely 2021

Objective

To share the camp experience on-site with as many campers as possible this summer while maintaining a safe and healthy environment.

Key Protocols

- We will strive to follow the suggested guidelines from the American Camp Association as well as national, state, and local health agencies.
- We will use a multilayered Non-Pharmaceutical Intervention (NPI) protocol to ensure the health and safety of our campers, staff, and guests.
- Cabin cohorts of 12-18 campers and all efforts to maintain physical distance from other cohorts on campus, limiting contact between cabin groups.
- Wearing of face coverings by campers and staff unless swimming, eating, running outside, or sleeping.
- Enhanced health screenings of all campers including a 14-day temperature check before arriving at camp.
- Cleaning and disinfecting of common areas, high touch areas, and shared camp equipment before and after use.
- Each session will be limited to 96 campers, operating at 70% capacity.

Masks and Face Covering

- Masks also referred to as face coverings are one of the best NPI available to reduce the spread of COVID-19, particularly when used universally within a community.
- Masks should be worn universally by staff and campers. According to CDC, masks are meant to protect other people in case the wearer is unknowingly infected but does not have symptoms. Their use is most essential in times when physical distancing is difficult.
- Campers and Staff Members should wear masks universally in all indoor locations other than while eating, swimming, sleeping, showering, and brushing teeth. Ensure at least 6 feet of physical distance is maintained between individuals during the limited times when masks are not in use.
- Masks should be worn by all campers and staff outdoors when at least 6 feet of physical distance cannot be maintained.
- Masks should be considered and encouraged outdoors for campers and staff at all times when they will be around other people.
- Campers should bring appropriate, reusable, masks for their personal use to camp. Campers should wear one mask and have a second one in a sealed plastic bag handy in case the first becomes wet or otherwise soiled during the day.

- Masks should be identified by the camper's name or initials inside and should not be shared with anyone else.
- For fabric masks, choose those with two to three layers of permeable fabric.
- Ensure that masks completely cover the nose and mouth of all campers and staff and that masks fit snugly and don't have gaps.

Cabin Life

- Cabin cohorts will be treated like households, campers will be able to mingle within their cabin group, but will continue to physical distance from other cabin cohorts.
- Position sleepers head-to-toe or toe-to-toe to maximize the distance between heads/faces: –For bunk beds, position the head of the camper in the top bunk opposite the position of the camper in the bottom bunk. –For side-by-side beds, position the head of the camper in one bed opposite the position of the camper in the adjacent bunk.
- Daily cleaning will include disinfecting beds, doorknobs, light switches, and other commonly touched areas supervised by staff.

Dining Hall

- All campers will be directed to wash their hands before entering the dining hall.
- Campers will also receive hand sanitizer before and after eating.
- Each Cabin Group will be assigned one table for the session and tables will be placed to provide adequate space for physical distancing and will eat outside when the weather allows.
- We will limit the contact with food to only the kitchen staff. There will be no self-serve salad bar or drink machines for this season.

Health Care

- Daily temperature checks will be conducted throughout each session.
- If a camper or staff is found to be symptomatic including a fever of 100.4 degrees or higher, they will be quarantined and evaluated for further sickness. The person's temperature will be retaken after 30 minutes if a fever is still present the campers' guardians will be called and pick arrangements will be made as soon as possible.
- Quarantine and Isolation rooms will be available and separated from the Health Care Office.
- If a camper or staff in your camper's cabin is suspected to have COVID-19 symptoms and is sent home, guardians will be notified. The remaining campers will move to a different cabin that has been cleaned and disinfected.

Activity Areas

- All cabin groups will wash their hands before arriving at each activity area. If another group is still using the activity area, groups will wait to an appropriate distance.
- Equipment will be cleaned and disinfected by staff between each group. When possible, program equipment will be disinfected between each use.
- Staff will be given an individual bin of program supplies for their cabin group only.
- Supplies should be cleaned and disinfected after each session of campers.

Check-In

- To reduce the number of people on-site and the exposure of our staff and campers at Check-In we are doing a drive-through check-in process.
- To have drive-through check-in be successful, it is imperative to have all forms and payments turned in ahead of time. The only thing campers will turn in on check-in day is the PRE-CAMP HEALTH SCREENING FORM and PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION.
- We are asking families to limit to ONE parent per camper during check-in.
- We are asking campers to screen for symptoms including a temperature of 100.4 or higher for two weeks before their camp session.
- Campers will have their temperature taken as part of the health screening at check-in.
- Campers will be assigned a 30-minute time slot during 2:00 – 4:00 pm on Sunday or Friday. An email will be sent out 1 week before your arrival telling you your designated registration time.
- In assigning time slots, we are hoping to reduce the number of people on-site at and given time and the time parents and guardians are waiting to check-in when they arrive at camp. In the interest of fairness, camper's beds in the cabins will be picked through a lottery system.
- Prescription Medications in their original containers should not be packed, please have them in a zip lock bag and ready to be given to the Lutherdale Health Care Coordinator. We have over-the-counter medications on hand.
- To maintain a clean and sanitized cabin, we will not be allowing parents or guardians to take campers to their cabins. Families who wish to visit cabins may set up a time with the Lutherdale office to tour the campus and cabins.
- Lutherdale Staff will be disinfecting camper luggage before taking it into the cabins. Recommend packing for camp in a large plastic tote, which is easier to sanitize than porous material such as cloth or canvas.

Check-out

- There will not be a Closing Worship for families this summer.
- Camper's luggage will be disinfected and brought to a central location.
- Families will check out while staying in their car, sign out their campers, and then will have campers brought to the vehicle.

- This summer, we are restricting visitors to the site during camp sessions and will not be able to accommodate campers being picked up in the middle of a session and dropped back off at camp again.
- Families are encouraged to self-distance after leaving camp especially from friends and family that are at a higher risk of COVID-19.
- Please contact camp if your camper is symptomatic after leaving camp.

Cleaning and Disinfecting

- Recommended methods for typical cleaning procedures include two-stage cleaning and disinfecting. "Cleaning" entails washing with a detergent and water to remove soil, organic matter, and some microorganisms from a surface. Following a detergent and water wash, "Disinfecting" entails the use of a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-approved disinfectant that must be applied following product manufacturer guidelines.
- Communal Spaces - Cleaning and disinfecting communal spaces at least daily, and when possible cleaning and disinfecting of communal spaces between groups.
- Frequently Touched Surfaces - Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces and common spaces at least daily and when possible cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces and common spaces multiple times daily.
- Toilets, Showers, Restrooms - As with other frequently touched surfaces, toilets, showers, and restrooms are cleaned and disinfected daily and when possible more than once per day.
- Cabin Leaders will carry disinfectant with them to be used before and after their cabin uses a camp area or equipment. Example: disinfecting a picnic table before sitting for craft time, disinfecting equipment before starting a game.