



Summer Camp – COVID-19 Health and Safety Policies

General

- Reduced capacity
 - Camps will be run in smaller groups (max 10 kids)
 - Only one camp will run per week
- Hand hygiene
 - Handwashing station and hand sanitizer will be available and campers are required to clean their hands when they first arrive and/or enter the building
 - Campers are required to clean and/or sanitize their hands multiple times throughout the day at the direction of their leader
 - When to wash hands?
 - When they arrive at camp and before they go home
 - Before eating and drinking
 - After using the toilet
 - After sneezing or coughing into hands or tissue
 - Whenever hands are visibly dirty
 - When transitioning between inside and outside
 - After handling common resources/equipment/supplies
- Expectations of campers will be clearly stated each morning
 - Discouraged from touching their face
 - Cover mouth when cough or sneeze
 - Hands to yourself
 - Refrain from touching things unless directed to do so
 - Try to stay apart from other campers
- Where practical a 2 meter (6 feet) distance will be followed and children will be spread out. For younger children maintaining physical distance is more of a challenge and the focus will be on minimizing physical contact
- When inside the building each child will have a designated area to use for activities and storage of their belongings.
- Regular toilet breaks will be scheduled where children will be required to wash and sanitize their hands after using facility
- Each camper will be supplied with their own individual craft kits (basic supplies such as glue, scissors, markers, crayons). No objects or supplies are to be shared.

- Staff will wear masks and gloves when an activity requires close contact (i.e. providing help to campers with a craft)
- Majority of time on site will be spent outside (that's usually the case anyway!)
- Lunches and snacks will be outside
- If a child shows symptoms of illness at camp:
 - If possible, the child will be immediately separated from the other campers to a supervised area
 - The parent/guardian will be contacted to immediately to pick-up the child and their siblings, if any.
 - Once camper is picked up, diligent hand washing hygiene and cleaning practices will be followed remaining staff and campers

Parents

- Children of parents who are ill are not allowed at camp
- Parents are not permitted to stay at camp with their children
- Parents are not permitted inside the Centre while the camp is in session
- Parents/Guardians will be kept informed of our policies

Drop Off/Pick-Up

- Drop off and pick-up will be done outside in a designated area
- Parents and campers are not to enter the Centre upon drop off (will be directed to designated area)
- Once all children are present or the time to begin the program arrives, children will be taken into the Centre where they will sanitize their hands and place their belongings for the day in a designated area
- Parents are required to confirm their child is not ill as part of the sign-in process
 - If not well, children will not be permitted into camp
- Pick Up – The campers will be waiting and ready to be picked-up outside in a designated area. Parents are not permitted to enter the Centre to look for their child if the group is not at the designated area when they arrive. We will make every effort to be at the designated area at the scheduled pick-up time (please allow us a few minutes leeway).
- Parents/guardians must sign-out their child before they can be released
- The sign-in and sign-out processes will be organized by the leader

Cleaning

- KCDCS staff will follow daily cleaning schedules as set out in KCDCS's Healthy and Safety Plan (copy available on request)
- KCDCS staff will ensure a deep cleaning and disinfecting of the site at the end of each day
- Frequently touched surfaces will be disinfected multiple times a day
- Items that cannot be easily cleaned will not be used
- Hand sanitizer and soap and water will be available for use throughout the day
- Common, commercially available cleaning and disinfecting supplies and products will be used and instructions on labels followed

Family Responsibility

- Parents/guardians are required to assess their children before sending them to camp. This includes checking their child for symptoms including: fever, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat or sneezing
 - We do understand that it is allergy season and that some of the above are examples of an environmental allergy (i.e. hay fever, allergy to pollen, dust, etc). If your child has allergies, please make sure that your leader is aware of this.
- A resource to assist you with your child's health check can be found here: <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en>
- Children who exhibit any signs of illness must be kept home and parents must notify KCDCS.
- Children of family members who have had direct contact with a person that is COVID-19 positive may not attend camp until they have been cleared by a health professional
- Campers who have travelled outside the country within the last 14 days prior to camp may not attend camp
- Please pack snacks and lunches that children can access themselves (easy open containers and packaging) without assistance
- Pack only necessary items, i.e. those stated in the registration form
- Please label your child's water bottle and other personal items with their name (staff are not responsible for lost or stolen items)

Participation, Waiver and Release Agreement

Parents will be required to complete and sign Participation, Waiver and Release Agreement before the commencement of any program or activity. It will provide us with information to help us provide a safe, fun and memorable experience for each child and ensure parents are aware of the risks involved in participating in programs and activities.

If parents have any question, comment or concerns, they can contact the following people:

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