



2021 Summer Camp COVID-19 Policies and Procedures

Dear Parents,

I pray that you and your family are well. I appreciate your questions, concerns, and input as we proceed with plans for in-person camp this summer! We know this pandemic has been stressful to many and recognize that socializing and interacting with peers can be a healthy way for children to cope with stress and connect with others, particularly after spending quite a bit of time at home. We continue to work with our local and state health departments as certain camp operations historically and presently are regulated by these departments. Your child's safety and health is top priority! We are aware that COVID-19 is still being spread, and - like you - we have weighed the risks and benefits associated with having overnight summer camps with campers from different communities attending. These policies and procedures are subject to change.

We will be doing the following to help reduce the potential for infection:

Pre-Screening and Screening

Parents are encouraged to pre-screen their child prior to attending camp for symptoms of COVID-19. At check-in temperatures and illness symptoms will be checked of campers, faculty, and staff. Anyone with a fever (100.5 or above) and/or illness symptoms will be isolated. Twenty minutes later, the individual will be rechecked. If the individual still has a temperature and/or has illness symptoms they will be sent home. For further information please read "[A Healthy Camp Begins & Ends At Home.](#)"

Housing, Families, Masks, and Distancing

Housing:

Campers will be housed with other campers from the same geographic area when possible. Campers will be sleeping in a head to toe arrangement in their bunks. HVAC fans in all rooms will constantly run for better ventilation with virus trapping filters in our larger buildings. When appropriate windows will be opened for cross ventilation.

Families (Cohorts):

Campers will be grouped into families according to their dorm assignments. They will remain in these families throughout the week eating meals together, participating in classes and worship together. Campers will not need to wear a mask when they are with their families.

Masks and Distancing:

Face masks will not need to be worn when campers are outside, so we are encouraging a lot of outside activities this summer. Face masks will need to be worn inside when campers cannot maintain physical distance of 3 feet from non-family campers.

Common Sense Hygiene

We will continue to encourage proper hand washing after using the bathroom and before meals and snacks; cover coughs and sneeze into your elbow; and limit close physical contact with others. Our high contact areas will be sanitized on a routine basis.

Food Service

Our meals will be plated by our staff who will be wearing gloves and masks as they serve. There will be no buffet style food service.

Here is how you can help:

Stay Home

Someone who has tested positive for Covid-19 has been in close contact with the individual (within 6ft for 15 minutes or more total during a day), in the last 14 days the individual has tested positive or has symptoms of Covid-19. A pre-screen temperature check before leaving home would be advised.

Contact Us if...

Following the camp session the individual displays Covid-19 symptoms or tests positive within 14 days of camp.

I look forward to seeing you this summer! More than ever our kids need camp and need to encounter Jesus at camp!

Matt Love
Executive Director