

COVID-19

Responsible Staff Persons

The Camp Director and Health Care Supervisor will be the persons responsible for responding to COVID situations. They will be onsite every day, and can be reached by staff during “off hours” by both phone and email.

Camp Screening Process

1. Parents (or caregivers) will conduct daily symptom checks at home before they arrive at Camp. Looking for symptoms of COVID (fever, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat).
2. The staff will be trained to monitor throughout the day to monitor for symptoms of any kind.
3. Camp will have a temporal thermometer on site.
4. We will keep track of close contacts in the event of potential exposure.
5. Healthy Campers will all enter through the same entrance, sanitize their hand, and join their group.

Staff will be monitoring the children during the day for symptoms of COVID. We will have a non-contact thermometer to use to check temperatures.

If a Camper Becomes Ill:

They will be brought to the First Aid Station to be assessed by the health care supervisor. The health form will be reviewed for any pertinent information and temperature will be taken and recorded in the Camp log. The Camper will be questioned looking for COVID symptoms. The parent will be notified and apprised of the situation, and the parent will need to immediately come pick up the child.

1. If any of these symptoms: cough, fever, gastroenteritis, muscle pain, loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills or sore throat are found the Camper will be masked, and relocated to the isolation ward keeping the child's privacy in mind.
 - a. We will have a designated separate space to isolate children or staff who may become sick, (purple room at aMAZEment) with a door that can be closed. Isolated children must be supervised at all times. A private or separate bathroom must be made available for use by sick individuals only. Others must not enter the isolation room without PPE appropriate to the care setting. A location with an open window and/or good air circulation is optimal.
2. We will have an emergency back-up plan for staff coverage in case a child or staff becomes sick.

3. We will have the contact information for the Haverhill board of health Haverhill Board of Health: 978-374-2338.
4. We will have masks and/or other cloth face coverings available for use by children and staff who become symptomatic, until they have left the premises of the program.
5. We will provide a private exit away from the normal exit.
6. In the event of a positive COVID case, we will notify MDPH Community Sanitation Program, and the local board of health on the recreation camp injury reporting form, as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours after being notified.

If a Staff Becomes Symptomatic:

If a staff member becomes symptomatic, they must cease child care duties immediately and go to the designated isolation spot until they can leave. We will follow the same procedures for an ill camper. All staff must regularly self-monitor during the day to screen for new symptoms. If new symptoms are detected among a staff member, follow the requirements on how to handle symptomatic individuals. Camp will ensure that our sick leave policies are flexible and promote the importance of Counselors not coming to work if they have a frequent cough, sneezing, fever, difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or recent loss of taste or smell, or if they or someone they live with has been diagnosed with COVID-19.

If a Child or Staff is symptomatic or Contracts COVID-19:

Sick children or employees who are COVID-19 positive or symptomatic and presumed to have COVID-19 must not return until they have met the criteria for discontinuing home isolation and have consulted with a health care provider. We will work with the local board of health to identify close contacts, and for guidance on quarantine requirements.

1. If the individual tests positive for COVID-19 but is asymptomatic, isolation may be discontinued when at least 10 days have passed from the date of the positive test, as long as the individual remains asymptomatic. For example, if the individual was tested on April 1, isolation may be discontinued on or after April 11.
2. If an individual tests negative they may return to the program if they are fever free for 24 hours.

Notifying Required Parties:

In the event that a program experiences an exposure, programs must notify the following parties.

1. Employees and families about exposure but maintain confidentiality.
2. Haverhill board of health if a child or staff is COVID-19 positive. 978-374-2338
3. MA Department of Health if a child or staff member has tested positive.

Self-Isolating Following Exposure or Potential Exposure:

In the event that a staff member or child is exposed to a sick or symptomatic person, the following protocols must be followed.

1. If a child or staff has been exposed to positive COVID-19, regardless of whether the individual has symptoms or not, the child or staff must not be permitted to enter the program space and must be sent home. Exposed individuals must be directed to stay home for at least 14 days after the last day of contact with the person who is sick. The program must consult the local board of health for guidance on quarantine for other children and staff and what additional precautions will be needed to ensure the program space is safe for continued child care services.
2. If an exposed child or staff subsequently tests positive or their doctor says they have confirmed or probable COVID-19, they must be directed to stay home for a minimum of 10 days from the 1st day of symptoms appearing AND be fever-free for 72 hours without fever reducing medications AND experience significant improvements in symptoms. Release from isolation is under the jurisdiction of the local board of health where the individual resides.
3. If a child's or staff's household member tests positive for COVID-19, the child or staff must self-quarantine for 14 days after the last time they could have been exposed.

If an Exposed Child or Staff Remains Asymptomatic and/or Tests Negative for COVID-19:

When a camper or counselor is exposed to a positive COVID-19 individual, they must remain in quarantine and continue to monitor for the full 14 days - even if they test negative or remain asymptomatic.

Plan for transporting staff or children with COVID symptoms:

The plan is [Handling Camp Closure and Staff Absences](#).

Cleaning and Sanitizing Practices

Our cleaning and Sanitizing policies will follow CDC guidance. Specific policies are [HERE](#).

Vaccinations & Mask Policy

Per CDC guidance fully vaccinated individuals do not need to wear a mask indoors or outdoors. Do not need to socially distance while at camp, and do not need to quarantine after exposure to COVID 19 unless symptoms develop.

Because children under 12 are currently unable to be vaccinated, we will still follow Board of Health best practice that are:

1. Small, non mixing cohorts, that have the same counselors each day
2. Mask wearing for staff and children while indoors
 - a. Masks should cover nose and mouth at all times (unless the individual has a medical condition that would prevent them from wearing a mask)
 - b. Or when eating indoors
3. Social distancing
4. Frequent hand washing
5. Sanitizing/disinfection shared equipment, and high touch areas.