

# **Safety Protocols for Summer Camp 2021**

## **Objective**

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

### **Stipulations**

- We will remain in compliance with guidelines from federal, state, and the county health department.
- We will maintain stringent cleaning protocols for all camp housing, equipment, and common spaces.
- We will continually monitor the health of all staff and campers throughout the camp programs with temperature and symptom checks at the beginning of each camp session and throughout their time on-site.
- We will continually monitor the COVID-19 situation, if it changes, we will change our summer plans as needed.

## **Key Protocols**

- We will follow the suggested guidelines from the American Camp Association, national, state, and the county health department.
- We have delayed the start of the summer camp program to July 1<sup>st</sup> and reduced the number of weeks from 6 to 4.
- Between each camp week, cabins and facilities will be intensely cleaned and disinfected.
- Each session will be limited to 42 campers and approximately 12 residential staff. Our two duplex cabins, 5/6 and 7/8 will be used as singles, accommodating 6 campers each, respectively.
- Campers will stay in Cabin Groups/Bubbles of no more than 6 campers and all efforts will be made to limit intermixing between other cabin groups.

#### Check-In

- Campers will be assigned staggered check-in times and departures. This will allow us to stagger these two events, ensuring minimal contact between families.
- Campers will be assigned a 30-minute time slot during 2:00 4:00 pm on Sunday. Thus, ensuring minimal contact between families. An email will be sent out 1 week prior to your arrival telling you your designated registration time.
- Parents will be able to escort their children up to but not beyond the front porch of the
  cabin for arrival and departure. Masks and social distancing will be required. The LCLC
  staff will assist campers in moving in and out of their cabin. Families who wish to visit
  cabins may set up a time with the LCLC office to tour the property and cabins prior to
  the summer.
- Health Screenings will take place in the Pavilion upon arrival. We will also do a temperature check at that time and receive the symptom pre-check forms and negative COVID test results. In order to keep the numbers as low as possible during the health

- check-in period, only one parent may accompany each camper at this time. Masks and social distancing will be required.
- Campers will be asked to screen for symptoms including a temperature of 100.4 or higher for two weeks prior to their camp session.
- 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 LCLC Camp Nurse. We have ample over-the-counter medications in stock.
- LCLC staff will be wearing masks and gloves during check-in to limit exposure. During
  the week of camp, masks will be required anytime Cabin Groups come in contact with
  other Cabin Groups. Masks are not to be worn when participating in sports, swimming
  or other strenuous activity or while sleeping as they restrict breathing.

# **Dining Hall**

- All campers will be directed to wash hands before entering the dining hall.
- Campers will also receive hand sanitizer before and after eating.
- Each Cabin Group will be assigned one dining table for the week and tables will be placed to provide adequate space for physical distancing.
- 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.
- Eating outside with pack out meals or picnic meals will be available to help increase physical distancing when the weather allows.
- Commuter staff (office, maintenance, etc.) will not eat in the dining hall with campers.
   They will also only enter the dining hall after the camper meal has ended and all campers and residential staff have departed.
- Commuter kitchen staff will need to limit their interaction with campers and residential staff as much as possible.

## **Health Care**

- Daily temperature checks will be conducted throughout each session.
- In the event that 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 up 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, parents or guardians will be notified. The remaining campers will move to a different cabin that has been cleaned and disinfected.

#### Cabin Life

- Cabins will be treated like households. As such, campers will be able to mingle within their cabin group but will continue to physical distance from other Cabin Groups.
- All campers and staff will have their own bottom bunk and will sleep in a "head-to-toe" formation which ensures a safe physical distance.
- Cabins will "rest" and be cleaned and sanitized between camp weeks.

• Daily cleaning will include disinfecting beds, doorknobs, light switches and other commonly touched areas supervised by staff.

# **Activity Areas**

- All cabin groups will wash hands before arriving at each activity area. In the event that another group is still using the activity area, groups will wait at 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-out

- There will not be a Closing Program for families this summer.
- Camper's luggage will be brought to a central location for pick-up.
- 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. (Ex. Family gatherings, sporting events, etc.)
- 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. "<u>Cleaning</u>" entails washing with a detergent and water to remove soil, organic matter, and some microorganisms from a surface. Following a detergent and water wash, "<u>Disinfecting</u>" entails the use of a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-approved disinfectant that must be applied in accordance with product manufacturer guidelines.
- <u>Communal Spaces</u> Cleaning and disinfecting communal spaces at least daily, and when possible cleaning and disinfecting of communal spaces between groups.
- <u>Frequently Touched Surfaces</u> 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.
- <u>Toilets, Showers, Restrooms</u> 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.

The preceding information is subject to change based on the NY State Department of Health Code for Children's Camp Operation.