

Beckwith COVID-19 Playbook – 2021

There is no single action that can guarantee that a person will not get sick with COVID-19. Think of camp's response as a block of swiss cheese. Every slice of cheese, like each layer of protection, has holes in it, but layering several slices of cheese allows for fewer holes. The more precautions and steps taken prior to and during camp to mitigate the potential exposure to COVID-19, the fewer loopholes there are for the virus to enter and spread throughout camp.

Policies Pertaining to Camp Staff

- The CDC has listed camp staff as essential under “out-of-school child care,” therefore we expect vaccines to be available for them by the start of camp
- Staff will take part in an on-site 2-week staff training, allowing them the appropriate amount of time to be trained on COVID policies and procedures, as well as adequate time to quarantine
- Staff will not be permitted to leave camp during a camp session
- During camp, staff from one cohort will not have close contact with staff from another cohort

Policies Pertaining to Campers, Families, and the Camp Program

Before camp:

- **Campers will be expected to engage in COVID-conscious behavior leading up to their camp session, as outlined by the CDC** (i.e., avoid unnecessary travel, avoid crowds, wear masks, socially distance from individuals outside your household, severely restrict contact outside family members for 10 days before arriving at camp)
- **Campers will be required to present proof of a negative COVID test upon arrival at camp**
 - Test will need to have been administered *no more than 72 hours* before arrival at camp
 - Once a test has been administered, *a strict quarantine should be observed until the beginning of the camp session*
- *Campers and parents will need to have signed the form provided at the end of this playbook, acknowledging that they understand all of the COVID policies and procedures that will take place during the summer of 2021*

Camp arrival:

- Prior to arriving at camp, parents will receive an allotted drop-off time
- Upon arrival, parents will pull into one of two lanes and remain in their car
 - To the right of the alcove: Parents who are *not* dropping off prescription or OTC meds will hand the medical release form to one of the nursing staff
 - Under the alcove: The camp nurse will approach the cars of parents who *are* dropping off prescription or OTC meds with their camper. She will collect the medications and the release forms.
- In both lines, parent will present camper's negative COVID test results to nurse or nursing staff for our records
- Camper will have temperature screened
 - Temperatures of 100° or higher will prevent camper from staying for the camp session
- Camper will be taken to cabin by staff member, where they will help get settled
 - We recommend packing your camper's belongings in the car in such a way that it will allow staff to easily remove them from the car

During Camp:

- Throughout a camp session, we will abide by the Big Three in COVID prevention (**outside, masked, socially distanced**) – two of three of these measures must be followed at all times, except when campers are sleeping
 - In other words, if we cannot be distanced, we will be outside and masked; if we cannot be masked, we will be outside and distanced; if we cannot be outside, we will be distanced and masked
- We will abide by a “**sanitize in – sanitize out**” model
 - Any time a camper goes in/out of a building, they will wash/sanitize their hands
- Our main focus will be on two “types” of groups – **cabin groups and cohort groups**
 - *Cabin groups*: a cabin group will consist of the counselors and campers living together during a camp session in a cabin
 - Cabin groups will eat together
 - *Cohort groups*: each cohort group will consist of two cabin groups (likely, a male cabin and female cabin together)
 - Cohort groups will go to activities with each other
 - Please note—returning campers will be familiar with “family groups” (a group slightly larger than a cabin, consisting of randomly assigned campers who go to activities together, including Deans program). **We will not be running family groups this year**, as we focus on keeping cohorts from “crossing” with members from other cohorts
- **We will serve all meals cafeteria-style, in shifts**
 - During a typical summer, meals are served buffet-style (where the camper serves themselves from a buffet line); however, this summer, we will have staff who are masked and gloved plating the food behind a plastic shield
 - 4 cabins (2 cohort groups) will eat during the first shift; there will be 10-15 minutes in between meal shifts to allow for disinfecting of tables and chairs; and then the other 4 cabins (2 cohort groups) will come in and eat
- **Any activity that can happen outside, will happen outside.** For any activity that has to happen indoors, we will divide the camp in half and run the activity/event in shifts.
 - Luckily for us, most every activity that we do during a typical summer occurs outdoors! Exceptions are meals, Praise & Worship, Deans Program, Skit Night, the Camp Dance, and Closing Worship.
 - Meals will take place in Wilson Hall in shifts
 - Deans Program will take place in the Chapel in shifts
 - Praise & Worship will take place outside (with cohort groups distanced from each other)
 - Skit Night will take place at the outdoor chapel or under the Pavilion
 - We will be replacing the Camp Dance with another fun, all-camp activity; as it is not possible to do a camp-wide dance while remaining socially distanced, and not crossing into other cohorts
 - Closing Worship will be moved to the last night of camp, and will be held at the outdoor chapel or the Pavilion
- For activities that require the touching of objects (i.e., sailing, canoeing, high ropes), staff will sanitize all touched objects in between cohort usage

- **In the case of possible COVID-19 exposure during camp**
 - If a camper or staff member begins exhibiting COVID-like symptoms, or logs a fever during the daily temperature checks, that camper/staff will be taken to the Health Hut, which is monitored by the Camp Nurse, where they will stay in a room by themselves until we can get test results.
 - The nurse will contact their emergency contact.
 - Camp will begin contact tracing, health monitoring, testing, isolation, and/or contacting other guardians/emergency contacts as deemed appropriate.
 - If a camper or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, they will quarantine in the Health Hut until they can be picked up. We will arrange for contactless delivery of any meals and any other needs.
 - Emergency contacts of the other campers and staff in their cabin will be informed immediately that someone in their cabin has tested positive. *Due to HIPAA laws, the exact identity of the COVID-19 positive patient cannot be shared.*
 - The rest of their cabin will be monitored, isolated, & tested as appropriate.
 - Contact tracing of the patient's previous 48 hours will begin immediately. Those traced will be monitored closely by the Camp Nurse & COVID-19 tests will be administered as needed.
 - If the nurse determines that more urgent care is needed, the nurse will decide if we should transport the patient to the hospital or call EMS.
 - If a staff member is sent home with COVID-19, the possibility of returning will be determined case by case at the nurse's discretion.

Camp Departure:

- Closing Worship (which is normally held the morning of camper pickup, and is open for parents to attend) will be held this year on the final night of camp (Wednesday night or Thursday night, depending on the Camp Session), and it will be livestreamed—to the best of our ability—on our Facebook page for parents to watch from home. **Unfortunately, we cannot open our Closing Worship for parents to attend.**
- You will have an assigned pick-up time
- When you arrive at camp, there will be designated parking spaces outside of the cabin area, where you will pull in
 - A staff member will greet you and get the name of the camper(s) you are picking up
 - The counselor will help the camper bring out their belongings and load them into the car

After Camp:

- We know it is exciting to welcome home campers after a camp session; however, we strongly recommend limiting in-person contact for at least 10 days - especially with folks who are high risk, over the age of 65, and/or are not yet vaccinated.
- If within 7 days after leaving camp, your camper tests positive for COVID, please inform the Camp Director so that fellow campers and staff can be notified.

I acknowledge that I have read and understood the above the 2021 Covid-19 policies and procedures for summer camp at Beckwith, and have reviewed them with my camper.

Camper's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____