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As we look at offering summer camp experiences through LOMIK sites in the summer of 2021, our approach has been that COVID-19 is a documented health/safety issue that varies widely in severity. We are making decisions with the health of our campers, staff, and families in mind. Camp is a unique environment where most time is spent outside in nature where the transmission of the COVID virus has been proven to be very small. That along with the growing percentage of adults and older teens getting vaccinated and the changing guidance on quarantine circumstances we are comfortable in offering summer camp in 2021. The benefits outweigh the risks for campers without other high-risk health factors.

In our camp environment most activities take place outdoors, including meals. Each cabin group will be treated as a family unit for their time at camp. The cabin groups will be kept distanced from each other as much as possible to minimize the potential to be exposed. Initial symptom screening will be done as everyone enters camp before unloading. Any family that shows symptoms or has been in contact with someone with COVID will be expected to not come to camp, and to call the office and let us know they will not be attending. If a subsequent week is available we may be able to switch your camp week until after your quarantine period is over. This will be determined on a case by case basis as needed.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about Summer 2021

Q: Does my child have to be tested for COVID before coming to camp?

A: No, if your child has tested positive or is exhibiting COVID symptoms you are expected to stay at home and call and let us know your child will not be attending. If your child and close contacts have not been exposed to COVID and do not show any symptoms, you may come to camp.

Q: Are parents required to wear a mask at drop off and pick up?

A: Parents will not be required to wear a mask, if you are more comfortable wearing one, we will honor your choice. Parents will be given the opportunity to enter their camper's cabin separate from other families, if they choose to.

Q: Will my child be required to wear a mask at camp?

A: Masks are no longer going to be required at camp this year. That decision was based on State and local guidance and the input from the camp physician based on our specific environment and program. Public places outside of camp, may require a mask, so you may want to have one with you or send with your Senior High Campers going to specialty camps.

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Q: Can my child wear a mask if they want to?

A: If your child is more comfortable wearing a mask to come to camp, they may wear one. Please be aware that since most camp activities are outdoors and are quite active, there may be times that wearing a mask may become uncomfortable, that decision is up to you and your camper.

Q: Are staff members vaccinated?

A: We have asked all staff to be vaccinated prior to camper arrival and 98% have already done so.

Q: Are the staff members required to wear a mask?

A: All kitchen staff are required to wear a mask during food prep and serving. There may be instances where campers and/or staff will need to wear a mask if in the infirmary.

Q: What if someone at camp shows symptoms of COVID in the daily screening?

A: If someone shows symptoms of COVID at camp they will be removed from direct contact with the rest of their cabin group and the camp doctor will be called. If COVID is suspected, the child will need a COVID test. We can take the child to a local testing site, or the parent(s) will be called to come and take the child for testing within 24 hours and results of that test communicated to the LOMIK office within 24 hours to allow time for contacting parents.

Q: If my child tests positive, will they have to leave camp?

A: Yes, if your child tests positive for COVID-19 you or your designee will be required to pick your child up immediately. If the person picking up your child is not YOU, you must call the office with who is allowed to pick up your child and they will have to show ID upon pick up.

Q: What if someone in my child's cabin shows symptoms of COVID?

A: The symptomatic child will be removed from the group and sent for COVID testing. The remainder of the cabin will be monitored for symptoms for the remainder of the camp. Campers that are symptom free will remain engaged in camp activities unless they begin to show symptoms.

Q: What if someone in my child's cabin tests positive for COVID?

A: The parents/guardians of the other cabin mates will be made aware and the campers will be sent home to quarantine.

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Q: How long should my exposed camper be quarantined?

A: That depends. If your child is fully vaccinated, they do not have to quarantine. If your child has not been fully vaccinated, they should quarantine for 14 days from the date of last exposure.

Q: Will I be notified if my child is a close contact of a positive COVID case?

A: YES! We know that we cannot keep COVID out of camp, but we have put procedures in place to limit the risk of spread and to provide parents with information about their campers to keep their families at home as safe as possible.

Q: How have COVID procedures changed the way food is prepared and distributed?

A: All kitchen staff follows normal kitchen procedures such as proper hand washing and sanitation of kitchen surfaces. In addition, all kitchen and serving staff will wear masks. The serving line will have one person handling each camper's plate and putting the food on the plates and handing the plate to the camper at the end of the line. All food is on the server's side of the plexiglass. All salt/pepper and condiments will be single servings. Drink dispensers are touchless (controlled with a foot pedal).

We are excited about this summer and look forward to seeing you in person at camp.

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