

# **SUMMER DAY CAMP COVID-19 GUIDELINES/PROTOCOLS**

In conducting Summer Day Camp for the 2021 season Bedford Parks & Recreation Department will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, orders, ordinances, guidelines, and recommendations with regard to COVID-19. The Department will also comply with day camp sector requirements set by the State of Ohio and will implement all applicable best practices as recommended by the State of Ohio for the respective sector.

The following protocols will be in effect:

#### **FACE COVERINGS**

Campers, staff, and parents/guardians who drop off and pickup will be required to wear a facemask or facial covering that covers the mouth and nose, at all times. Facemasks with vents will not be permitted. Facemasks for those who may lose, break or forget a mask will be available.

#### **DROP OFFS**

Parents/Guardians are required to wear face coverings at drop off and are to remain near the entrance until their camper has been screened by staff on-site.

# **SYMPTOM SCREENING**

Parents/guardians are asked to screen all campers at home each day before camp. Campers will also be screened at the door. This includes having temperature taken and they or their parent/guardian will be asked a series of questions about their health. Staff will look to identify the following:

- A temperature of at least 100 degrees Fahrenheit
- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Anyone with a fever of at least 100 degrees Fahrenheit or any of the other symptoms listed above must stay home or be sent home and remain home until symptoms subside for at least 24 hours without the use of medication. If the individual who had symptoms has had known contact with someone confirmed or probable to have COVID-19, they must complete quarantine or isolation procedures for COVID-19 in

coordination with local health officials prior to returning to the program. If an employee or camper tests positive for COVID-19 they must complete quarantine or isolation in coordination with local health department officials prior to returning to the program.

Note: consider requiring those who have fever or new loss of smell/taste and/or two of the other symptoms to test or stay home for 2 weeks. This is not required, but is part of some school protocols.

## **CAPACITY AND CLASS/GROUP SIZE**

To maximize physical distancing and reduce contact among staff and campers, the overall capacity of the Summer Day Camp is set at 36 campers, ages 5-12. Campers will be divided into groups accordingly. Interaction between the groups will be kept to a minimum. While in the classroom, campers will be stationed at tables or desks with six foot distancing. Every effort will be made to maintain consistency of staff.

Wherever possible groups will utilize outdoor spaces. However, capacities are set knowing that during periods of inclement weather all campers may be indoors and will need to maintain appropriate social distancing.

# **CAMP SCHEDULE AND BEFORE/AFTER CARE**

Before and After care will be available, limited to 18 campers (divided into two groups daily). After care will take place outside as much as possible. Wherever possible students will be kept in the same group for before/after care as they are for the camp day.

#### **FIELD TRIPS**

As of April 1, 2021, sector protocols recommend canceling all field trips. The Parks & Recreation Department will monitor for revised protocols and implement changes where feasible. Should field trips be permissible, the Department may look to add visits to outside locations or other indoor spaces where social distancing and safety protocols can be assured.

# **Distancing Requirements**

Campers must adhere to the six foot distance requirement at all times. Failure to do so, will result in warning, disciplinary action, and/or possible removal from camp. Exception: during certain sports/activities where allowable by the sector protocol for that particular sport or activity.

## **HANDWASHING**

Day camp workers and staff must follow rigorous handwashing procedures as detailed in Appendix B to Ohio Administrative Code 5101:2-12-13 including washing hands:

- Upon arrival for the day, after breaks and upon returning from outside
- After toileting or assisting a child with toileting
- After contact with bodily fluids or cleaning up spills or objects contaminated with bodily fluids
- After cleaning or sanitizing or using any chemical products
- After handling pets, pet cages or other pet objects that have come in contact with the pet
- Before eating, serving or preparing food or bottles or feeding a child
- Before and after completing a medical procedure or administering medication
- When visibly soiled (must use soap and water)
- Prior to departure

#### **USE OF COMMON SPACE**

The Parks & Recreation Department will stagger the use of any common space, such as playgrounds, lunchrooms, and bathrooms. Wherever possible/feasible staff will sanitize common spaces between each group of children. Per current protocols, toys should be sanitized between each use.

#### **OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND SPACES**

When outdoors and/or participating in sports or group activities, the respective sector protocols will be adhered to such as the following:

- Six-feet social distance must be maintained between individuals except when necessary on the field or court of play.
- Players, coaches, and officials are not to physically contact each other before or after practice, pregame and competitive play (i.e., greetings, team huddles, high-fives, congregating, etc.).
- Limit time spent on activities where players are in close proximity for extended periods of time (e.g., repeatedly practicing corner or penalty kicks in soccer; rebounding drills in basketball).
- Facilities, teams, and clubs must ensure that facilities have adequate space for social distancing for players, coaches, athletic trainers, officials, parents/guardians, and spectators off the field or court of play.
- No congregating before or after practices or games is permitted.
- Equipment and personal items must have proper separation and must not be shared. If equipment must be shared, proper sanitation must be performed between users.
- Do not share towels or facial coverings.
- Do not share water bottles or other drinks.
- Do not share food
- If playing inside, ensure ventilation systems or fans operate properly. Increase circulation of outdoor air as much as possible, such as opening windows and doors unless doing so poses a safety or health risk.
- Coaches/Staff must (1) Participate in COVID-19 education developed for them by the Ohio
  Department of Health, and (2) Educate their players on how to help prevent the spread of COVID19 using resources provided by the Ohio Department of Health. This training can be found at:
  https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/ responsible-restart-ohio/sector-specific-operatingrequirements/sector-specific-operating-requirements

### **SWIMMING**

As of February 5, 2021, the Parks & Recreation Department is considering swimming activities for Summer Day Camp such as open swim and/or learn-to-swim lessons. In the event that campers are able to use the pool, all aquatics sector protocols will be adhered to such as but not limited to:

- Stay home if you are sick or do not feel well.
- Use social distancing and maintain at least six feet between individuals in all areas of the pool or aquatic center.
- Do not swim or gather in groups of more than 10.
- Wear a mask or face covering when on the pool deck, entering buildings, or interacting near other
  pool guests. Masks should be removed prior to swimming as wet masks can cause difficulty
  breathing.

- Practice good personal hygiene including washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, using hand sanitizer, refraining from touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands, coughing and sneezing into an elbow, etc.
- Bring trash bags, food, and supplies. Plan to carry in and carry out trash and other items.

Note: As of April 1, 2021, day camp, sports and aquatics sector guidelines have not been updated since summer 2020. It is anticipated that guidelines will be updated similar to the recent updates of day care sector guidelines. The above protocols may change as a result.