



Department of Recreation & Cultural Affairs

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Summer Playground Camp COVID-19 Plan

As required by Executive Order 149, the New Jersey Department of Health has developed [Youth Day Camp Standards](#) to guide the operations of youth summer camps. Below are the guidelines and protocols for the Borough of River, Summer Playground Camp operations and descriptions of steps to lower the risk of COVID-19 exposure and spread. *Please note that given the dynamic nature of this pandemic, this guidance may be modified as the situation evolves, and new data becomes available.*

1. STAFF TRAINING

a. Online Training Videos - MEL, First Net Learning

- i. It is common practice that all staff receive training from the training modules provided by the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, via the MEL, First Net Learning
- ii. Each staff member will be given their own username and temporary to access the online training videos
- iii. Staff must complete the training videos prior to the first day of camp
- iv. Training videos includes:
 1. Bullying Prevention at Camp
 2. Child Sexual Abuse Prevention at Camp
 3. COVID-19: A Pandemic Response
 4. Playground Safety for Camp Counselors
 5. Trip and Transportation Safety (not included 2020 due to restriction on camp trips)

b. Zoom Camp Training & Orientation

- i. In place of an in-person training & orientation, training will be done via Zoom on the below COVID-19 topics:
 1. Screening at Check-in
 - a. Questions will be asked each morning (if yes to any, will be sent home)
 - i. Temperature taken, is it 100.4 or greater?
 - ii. Was a fever reducing medication administered in the last 24hours?
 - iii. Symptoms: Fever/chills, Cough, Shortness/difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle/ body aches, Headache, loss of taste/ smell, Sore throat, Congestion, runny nose, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea
 - iv. Does anyone in the household have the following symptoms: Fever/chills, Cough, Shortness/difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle/ body aches, Headache, loss of taste/ smell, Sore throat, Congestion, runny nose, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea
 - v. Has the child come in close contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID19 in the Past 14 Days?
 2. When to wear masks
 - a. Check-in, when not with your group, not able to keep 6ft distance, with other counselors (outside your group) and other staff members), Inside the

- camp building, in bathrooms when occupied with none group members, interacting with parents
- 3. No high fives, hand shaking, piggyback rides, etc
- 4. No Spitting
- 5. Counselors will be supplied with PPE in a fanny pack
 - a. Gloves (any time dealing with body fluids)
 - b. Hand Sanitizer
 - c. Masks
 - d. Tissues
- 6. [Stop the Spread](#)
 - a. 6ft Apart
 - b. Cover Sneeze/Cough inside elbow or Tissue
 - c. Wear a mask
 - d. Do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth with your hands
 - e. Clean & Disinfect frequently touched objects & surfaces
 - f. Stay home if you are sick
 - g. [Wash your Hands](#) with soap & water for 20seconds (if not available hand sanitizer)
- 7. Know how it spreads
 - a. There is currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)
 - b. The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.
 - c. Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
 - d. Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.
 - e. Some recent studies have suggested that COVID-19 may be spread by people who are not showing symptoms.
- 8. [What Are the Symptoms](#)
 - a. Symptoms can range for mild to severe illness and appear 2-14 days after exposed to the virus
 - b. Be Aware of yourself when at home & others around you

2. SCREENING AND AMITTANCE

- a. Screening and Admittance will be overseen by the Camp Professional Staff members and logged into a document each day.
 - i. Persons that have a fever of 100.4° or above or other signs of COVID-19 illness will not be admitted to camp and reported to the Borough's Health Department for further interviewing and contact tracing.
 - ii. All staff and campers will be asked the following questions each morning (if yes to any, will be sent home)
 - 1. Temperature taken, is it 100.4 or greater?
 - 2. Was a fever reducing medication administered in the last 24hours?
 - 3. Symptoms: Fever/chills, Cough, Shortness/difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle/body aches, Headache, loss of taste/ smell, Sore throat, Congestion, runny nose, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea
 - 4. Does anyone is the household have the following symptoms: Fever/chills, Cough, Shortness/difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle/ body aches, Headache, loss of taste/ smell, Sore throat, Congestion, runny nose, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea
 - 5. Has the child come in close contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID19 in the Past 14 Days?

- iii. During activities, if any campers or staff showing symptoms related to COVID-19 will be immediately isolated and reported to the Borough’s Health Department. Camper’s guardian will be notified for pick-up.

3. FACE MASKS, INFECTION CONTROL AND SOCIAL DISTANCING

- a. Face coverings and gloves
 - i. Face coverings will be required to be worn:
 1. When campers and counselors are not in their designated camp group, also referred to as “family”,
 2. When social distancing of 6ft is not possible (when outside designated family)
 3. Check-in & Pick-up
 4. Interacting with other counselors (outside group) and other staff members
 5. During staff morning & afternoon meetings
 6. Inside the camp building,
 7. Inside bathrooms, especially when occupied with non group members
 8. Interacting with anyone outside designated family group
 9. Face coverings should be worn unless (1) doing so would inhibit the individual’s health, (2) the individual is in extreme heat outdoors, or (3) the individual is in the water.
 - b. Staff should perform proper hand washing and use gloves, especially when dealing with any camper bodily fluids

4. INFECTION CONTROL

- a. Camp days are limited to 2 day. Each grade will have one day at the park 9am-noon (refer to staggered pick-up/drop off times
 - i. Tuesdays: 3rd-6th Grade and Thursdays: Kindergarten-2nd Grade
- b. Check-in & pick-up will be staggered to avoid large groups from congregating in one location.

DAY	Tuesday		Wednesday	Thursday		Friday
Grade	<i>Drop-Off</i>	<i>Pick-up</i>	<i>Tuesday Pop-Up RAINDATE</i>	<i>Drop-Off</i>	<i>Pick-up</i>	<i>Thursday Pop-Up RAINDATE</i>
Kindergarten	OFF			9am	11:30am	
1st Grade	OFF			9:15am	11:45am	
2nd Grade	OFF			9:30am	12noon	
3rd & 4th Grade	9am	11:45am		OFF		
5th & 6th Grade	9:15am	12noon		OFF		

- c. Staff, parents and campers are advised in COVID-19 safety measures including:
 - i. Staying home when ill
 - ii. Proper hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette
 - iii. Wearing face coverings
 - iv. Avoiding touching your face as much as possible
 - v. Reporting illnesses and symptoms to the camp Health Director or other healthcare personnel at the camp immediately
- d. Face coverings are recommended to be worn by campers and are most essential in times when physical distancing is difficult to maintain. It is understood that face coverings may be challenging to campers (especially younger campers) to wear in all-day settings such as camp.
- e. Bathrooms will be available for handwashing, and all counselors will be provided with hand sanitizer to clean campers hands before and after each activity
- f. All equipment will be sanitized after each designated “family” use.
- g. The sharing of items are discouraged outside the designated “family”

- h. There will be no non-essential visitors, volunteers, and activities involving external groups or organizations. There will not be any outside vendors providing programs
- i. There will not be any group events or gatherings
- j. There will not be any field trips or special performances

5. COVID-19 SYMPTOM PRESUMPTIVE CASES

- a. If the camp becomes aware that an individual tests positive for COVID-19 or displays symptoms, the Borough's Health Department will be notified via Presumptive Case Report Form.
 - i. There will be an isolation space designated under an outdoor tent, waiting for a guardian to pick up the camper
 - ii. Presumptive Case Report will be sent to the Borough Health Department along with records and list of staff present that day
- b. The Borough's Health Department will interview the resident and determine the next steps
- c. The Borough's Health Department will contact trace
- d. The following are the protocols steps as outlined by the Borough's Health Department:
 - i. Should a person be noticeably sick during program, immediately separate anyone with COVID symptoms. Either send home or to healthcare facility depending upon symptoms.
 - ii. Individuals who had contact with sick person should be immediately separated and sent home for 14 day isolation period. Advise to monitor for symptoms.
 - iii. Establish procedures for transporting any sick individual.
 - iv. Close off area sick person used for 24 hours.
 - v. Clean and disinfect surfaces & shared objects in area sick person has touched after area has been closed off for 24hour period.
 - vi. Notify staff, families, etc. immediately of suspected COVID case, while ensuring proper privacy/HIPAA related laws.
 - vii. Develop & utilize letter to notify and advise any close contacts of COVID positive person (i.e for period starting 3 days before person became sick/showed symptoms)
 - viii. COVID diagnosed persons must remain in isolation for at least 7 days without symptoms, and three days with no fever following diagnosis.
- e. Local health officials in consultation with CDS recommendations, will provide direction if a camp closure is warranted, following the identification of positive case(s) at the youth camp. The duration may be dependent on staffing levels, outbreak levels in the community and the number of close contacts the camper had. Staff and children are discouraged from attending another facility if the camp is closed

6. PROTOCOLS FOR FACILITY AND BUILDINGS MANAGEMENT

- a. Camp Building
 - i. The Camp Building will be closed to campers and counselors, unless there is an issue with heat exhaustion
 - ii. Anyone who enters the Camp building will be required to wear a mask
 - iii. A first aid tent will be setup outside the camp building
- b. Bathrooms
 - i. Bathrooms will be cleaned daily and closely monitored by staff
- c. Playgrounds
 - i. Playgrounds will be disinfected 3 times a week
 - ii. Campers will be cleaning their hands before and after the playground
- d. Signage will be posted at the check-in table and at park entrances

7. ATTENDANCE

- a.** Each group will be at a maximum of 20 campers to 2 counselors.
- b.** Groups are not permitted to mix
- c.** Groups will stay together for the entirety of camp and will not have scheduled programs that would have them interact with other groups
- d.** Groups of campers will remain unchanged day to day and not allowed to intermingle between other assigned groups.
- e.** Social distancing must be maintained between groups
- f.** Staff and campers must social distance and wear face covering especially when social distancing cannot be maintained