



JCC DAY CAMPS ENHANCED HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS

In response to the current public health climate and to best ensure a safe summer experience for children and those caring for children in JCC Day Camps, we are prepared to implement similar best practices and policies in health and safety that made us so successful last summer. Recommendations from and consultation with the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), the American Camp Association, the Association of Camp Nurses, the Pennsylvania Office of Child Development and Early Learning, the Pennsylvania Departments of Health and Human Services, the Allegheny County Department of Health, the Pittsburgh Regional Health Initiative, Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, and the Jewish Community Center Association were all critical components of our decision making process. The protocols we are putting into place are intentional, with a focus first on the health and safety of every individual and family in our camp community.

BUS SERVICE

**Applies only to J&R Day Camp and Specialty Camps held at the JCC'S Family Park in Monroeville*

In order to avoid crowding, every family will be assigned a bus stop location, morning pick-up time and afternoon drop-off time. Morning pick-up times will be between 8:15-8:45am and afternoon drop-off will be between 4:00-4:15pm. A daily health screening will be required prior to campers boarding the bus each morning.

All campers, staff and bus drivers must wear a mask on the bus at all times. Bus drivers, monitors and staff will adhere to all safety protocols required of onsite camp staff.

The number of campers and staff on a bus at one time will be limited. Children will be seated one person per row facing forward and spaced 3ft apart. Campers from the same household may be asked to sit together. The row behind the driver's seat and the row adjacent will be left empty to allow for adequate space between the riders and the driver.

Every bus will have hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol and disposable disinfecting wipes at the entrance of the school bus. Bus monitors will encourage safe use of the hand sanitizer for all campers and staff when getting on/off the bus. Frequently touched surfaces on the bus will be cleaned and disinfected after each use.

Whenever possible, bus windows will be open to increase circulation of outdoor air, but not if doing so might pose a safety or health risk (inclement weather, risk of falling, etc.)

CAMPER DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

In order to limit exposure, entrance to any of our three (3) day camp facilities (Squirrel Hill JCC, South Hills JCC, and Family Park) will be available only through the main entrances. Children will be received by camp staff at parent/guardian car; a daily health screening and temperature check will be performed for everyone in the car (children and parent/guardian). Parent/guardian is required to wear a mask at drop-off/pick up. Children will not be permitted into the building or campground if anyone in the vehicle has temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or above, or has symptoms visible to screener or disclosed by parent/guardian (trouble breathing, coughing, sore throat, etc.). Walkers will be subject to the same screening method; children will not be permitted to enter the building or campground with a fever and/or disclosed or visible symptoms.

We strongly encourage the same adult to drop off and pick up each day.

Morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up times will be assigned and sent via email to families.

Carpooling is acceptable and may be an option for many families. If carpooling, we strongly encourage you to carpool with same families every day. Everyone in the car should wear a mask and windows should be down as often as possible.

CAMPER COHORTS

Campers will be in groups that are limited in size to the greatest extent possible and will do most activities, meals and snacks with the same group. Physical distancing will occur between groups. Every effort will be made to keep the same counselors with the same children throughout the day. Floating staff will be limited. Children do not naturally physically distance and at times they require support and close contact with staff. Best efforts will be made to maintain physical distancing practices.

FOOD SERVICE

All food will still be prepared by our food services company, Aladdin. All snacks will be individually wrapped. Lunch will be served family-style by group with one counselor designated to serve food. Counselors will wear disposable gloves at all times while serving food. One counselor will be designated to serve all food and snacks per cohort.

Water stations and fountains are set up throughout camp in all 3 of our facilities. No one will be permitted to drink directly from a water fountain. Campers are taken to the water station/fountain frequently throughout the day. Please send your child with their own water bottle labeled with their name clearly visible. Counselors will press the button while the child holds their water bottle under the spigot. Water stations/fountains will be disinfected between group uses.

MASKS AND PROTECTIVE GEAR

Masks must be worn at all times on route to/from and at our facilities. Gloves will be worn when assisting in the bathroom, touching and serving food. They will be changed in between use properly; hands will be washed in between use.

PROGRAM SPACES AND MATERIALS

Mixed use spaces will continue to be used and will be thoroughly disinfected and allowed to dry in between each group's use. Daily schedules will be adjusted/staggered to allow for thorough cleaning. Outside spaces at Family Park, South Hills Day Camp or on/around Squirrel Hill JCC property will be used as much of the day as is possible.

Toys and equipment and activity materials will be limited to items that can be easily disinfected. Toys will be adequately disinfected between uses by each group. Specialists and instructors will have cleaning supplies in each program space so they can clean spaces and equipment in between group uses.

HANDWASHING, DISINFECTING, SANITIZING

Campers and staff will wash or sanitize hands upon arrival to camp, between activities, before and after eating, changing/using the bathroom. Activity materials will be disinfected between each group's uses. Doorknobs, light switches, handles, and other high-touch places and spaces will be disinfected as often as possible throughout the day, including at the beginning and end of the day. Surfaces, such as countertops and tables, will be cleaned and disinfected after each use and will be left wet after disinfecting to accommodate the disinfectant's stated dwell or contact time. Specialists and instructors will have cleaning supplies in each program space so they can clean spaces and equipment in between group uses. Counselors will carry cleaning and sanitation supplies for both hands and equipment.

Toilet handles and sink handles/faucet will be disinfected between each group's uses. JCC Senior Director of Facilities will track and maintain inventory of cleaning and disinfecting supplies.

ILLNESS POLICY

If a camper develops symptoms related to COVID-19 during the day, the camper will be removed from their group by one counselor, and escorted to the designated sick room. A parent will be notified by a member of the camp leadership team; if both parents are not available immediately, the listed emergency contact will be called. Fever-reducing medication will not be administered by any camp staff. Any other medication requires a physician's note to dispense and must come in the original packaging with dosage amount.

Anyone (staff member or camper) with a fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater must stay home or be sent home until 72 hours after their fever resolves without fever-reducing medication. Staff members or campers who have a household member with any COVID-19 symptom must also stay home or will be sent home and permitted to return when everyone in the household has been symptom-free for 24 hours (fever-free for 72 hours). If a staff member or camper (or household member of either) develops symptoms over the weekend or during the evening, this information should be communicated to the Camp Director or at time of screening, as this may impact camper or staff member's ability to attend camp that day.

As the range of reported symptoms for COVID-19 changes, we update our policy accordingly. **At this time, children will not be permitted at any JCC Day Camp and may be sent home from any camp if any of the symptoms below are present. Additionally, we ask that children do not return to any JCC Day Camp until they are symptom-free for 24 hours.**

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath, difficulty breathing
- Fatigue (in our case, an inability to participate in regular activities)
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion, runny nose*
- Nausea (typically described by a child as a stomach ache)*
- Vomiting*
- Diarrhea*

*Children who present with just one of these symptoms do not have to stay home from their camp and will not be sent home immediately. Congestion, runny nose and nausea/stomach ache must be accompanied by at least one other COVID-19 related symptom. Children will be sent home after two instances of vomiting and/or diarrhea.

Children with allergies: Children with seasonal allergies who present with more than one symptom may be permitted at JCC Day Camps with documentation from the pediatrician that the symptoms are seasonal allergy related (note must indicate what typical symptoms of the individual child's seasonal allergies are).

COVID-19 EXPOSURE OR POTENTIAL EXPOSURE

For (non-vaccinated) staff or campers who come into contact with a COVID-positive individual, the most protective quarantine period remains at 14 days post-exposure. The CDC, PA Department of Health and Allegheny County Health Department provide guidance for reducing the required quarantine period to either ten (10) or seven (7) days following exposure, including daily monitoring for symptoms, remaining symptom-free for the entire quarantine period and receiving a negative COVID test result. Close contact/exposure is considered to be within 6 feet of someone known to have COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more within any 24-hour period.

If a camper's household member comes into contact with someone who is positive for COVID-19, that person is required to notify the Camp Director and the camper may be asked to quarantine for up to 14 days and to consult

with a healthcare professional. If the camper and their COVID-positive household member will not be able to isolate from one another, the camper may be required to remain out of camp for up to 24 days.

Vaccinated persons with an exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 are not required to quarantine if they are:

- Fully vaccinated (i.e. ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine; **AND**)
- Are within 3 months following receipt of the last dose in the series; **AND**
- Have remained asymptomatic since the current COVID-19 exposure

POSITIVE CASE OF COVID-19

In the event that a staff member, camper or a camper's household member tests positive for COVID-19, we will immediately contact the Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) and await further guidance. We will communicate the information regarding any positive case to those camp staff and camper families most directly impacted by the exposure. Likely courses of action recommended by ACHD can range from monitoring for symptoms of COVID-19 all the way up to removing a group from camp for a period of time.

COMMUNICATION

Communication will occur between camp leadership and parents via email and phone calls. The Camp Director or Assistant Director, as well as Jason Kunzman, JCC Chief Program Officer, will communicate with parents regularly and clearly regarding any changes to our program and related policies and will provide updates regarding health information in a timely manner (i.e., illness or virus diagnosis at camp). Parents who need to reach camp leadership during the camp day should call the appropriate camp office (J&R, South Hills or Specialty Camp).

We are accustomed to providing photos of camp experiences happening throughout our day to families. While we shift to ensure our ability to focus fully on health and safety and on the interactions with and between children, photos will take on a different look. Our commitment to sharing our journey with you through those photos continues, however, with a larger number of smaller groups scattered across camp, it is likely that there will be fewer photos of individual campers each day.