# **GREAT SUMMERS START AT THE Y**

# YMCA SUMMER DAY CAMP FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



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Summer is a time for kids to be kids and Y day camp is the place to make each precious summer day a great one for every kid. Each day, Y campers have new adventures, develop new friendships, learn new skills and have tons of fun in a safe environment led by caring Y staff.

Thank you for trusting us to create a safe and enriching experience for your child this summer. We've responded to the most frequently asked questions below to help address parent concerns.

# Q: Is it safe for my child to participate in childcare?

**A:** The health and safety of our campers continues to be our first priority. In addition to our normal health and safety measures, we are implementing precautionary measures to ensure the best experience for our campers.

#### Q: Will there be screening processes in place for children?

**A:** By dropping off your child at camp, you are acknowledging that your child does not have the following:

- Temperature of 100.4 or higher
- Exposed to COVID-19
- Child, nor anyone in your household, is showing symptoms of: Fever, Cough, Shortness of Breath

# Q: How will camp practice social distancing?

**A:** Children will be placed in cohort groups of 30 or less. This is the cohort that campers will travel with throughout the day. Staff will remain actively engaged with children in order to maintain social distancing guidelines. While seated at tables, campers will be staggered or sat at opposite ends to follow for social distancing. We will limit children from mixing with other cohorts, reducing routes of exposure.

#### **Q:** Are masks required?

**A:** Our goal is to safely unmask when possible at camp this summer. Masks are not required when outdoors or with-in the same cohort. Masks are required when campers and staff are interacting with people assigned to a different cohort, 3 feet of distance cannot be achieved between cohort members, and if someone appears ill with COVID-19.

# **Q:** How is staff cleaning the facility (including surfaces and toys)?

**A:** The cleaning and disinfecting will occur multiple times per day. Staff will disinfect high traffic areas such as (but not limited to) doors, tables, chairs, handles, faucets, and frequently touched surfaces. Staff will also sanitize each curriculum item or activity resource after the completion of each cohort rotation within the classroom and gymnasium.

# Q: What is the protocol for drop off and pick up?

**A:** Each camp will implement designated drop-off and pick-up locations that will limit routes of exposure and facilitate less congestion. Staff will sign children in and out.

#### Q: What if my child or family member has been exposed to a Covid-19 case?

**A:** If you are exposed to COVID-19 notify your YMCA immediately. Child may not attend for 10 days and they have been cleared by your healthcare provider.

#### **Q: Will staff be vaccinated?**

**A:** We are strongly encouraging staff to be vaccinated, but are not requiring it as a condition of employment.

#### Q: With all the changes will camp still be fun?

**A:** Yes! Day Camp will be fun and filled with camp activities, friendships and outdoor adventures. We will still sing, chant and cheer! Our camp counselors will make camp the most magical place for your child all while being good role models and mentors. We are looking forward to summer day camp and though it will be different, your camper will leave with memories that will last a lifetime!