Health and Safety Response to COVID-19

At Camp McDowell, we remain committed to maintaining a safe, clean, and healthy environment for our staff and campers. We have consulted multiple resources including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO), ACA, and ECCC (mentioned above) to review and adapt our present health and safety practices and procedures in response to COVID-19. Below are our new health and safety protocols in response to COVID-19. While the list below is not an exhaustive plan of all initiatives we will be adding this summer, we want you to know how committed we are to protecting your campers and stopping the spread of COVID-19.

New health and safety protocols in response to COVID-19 include but are not limited to:

- Daily morning and afternoon cleaning and sanitizing of cabins, dining hall, and health center
- All campers and staff will be required to wash their hands every time they enter the cabin. This allows for a minimum of six times per day all campers and staff are washing their hands, and ensures hand washing before every meal.
- Temperature checks of all campers during registration at camp on opening day
 - If your camper has a fever greater than 99.5° Fahrenheit upon, you will be asked to leave to ensure the safety of the rest of the campers and staff.
 - We suggest that you check your campers temperature before you leave for camp to lower your risk of being turned away once you have driven to camp.
 - Your camper may be allowed to return to once they are fever-free for a minimum of 48 hours, you visited or spoke with a physician, and had a conversation with the Summer Camp Director.
- Daily temperature checks of all campers each morning and evening
 - Cabin Counselors will be trained by the Camp Nurse on how to properly and safely check camper's temperatures.
 - Each morning before leaving the cabin for breakfast, and at night when they have returned to the cabin to sleep, Cabin Counselors will measure and record the temperature of each camper in their cabin.
 - If a camper has a temperature greater than 99.5, their Cabin Counselor will discreetly let them know and guide them to the Camp Nurse for further care.
 - If your camper has a fever or 99.5 or greater during the session, we will ask you to come pick up your camper to ensure the safety of the rest of the campers and staff.
 - Your camper may be allowed to return to once they are fever-free for a minimum of 48 hours, you visited or spoke with a physician, and had a conversation with the Summer Camp Director.
 - If your camper has to leave their session early due to fever, we may discuss financial options for any deposits paid for that session.

- Temperature checks for Summer Camp Staff and Volunteers

- Anyone who works in direct contact with campers, including summer camp young adult staff, volunteers, kitchen staff, and program staff, will also do daily temperature checks, following the same standards set for campers.
- All summer camp young adult staff will quarantine for 14 days before arriving to camp to work
- As in summers past, deep cleaning of all surfaces, mattresses, bathrooms, and all contact areas between sessions by our full-time cleaning staff as well as young adult summer staff
- As in summers past, all campers and staff will use hand sanitizer before arriving to meals

Our number one priority has always been and will continue to be to keep your camper safe while they are in our hands. We want to be as transparent and clear as possible as we adapt and respond to these unprecedented circumstances. If you have any questions or concerns about these new protocols, we would be more than happy to talk through our detailed plans with you. You can either call or email Virginia White, Summer Camp Director, at (205)-739-9848 or summercampdirector@campmcdowell.org