

Mississippi Valley Council 2020 Camp Health Plan Addendum

The following guidelines will be in place due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The Mississippi Valley Council takes the health and safety of all of its camp participants, staff members and visitors very seriously and have implemented the following guidelines to mitigate the risk of spreading or contracting COVID-19.

Individuals with chronic health conditions that put them at higher risk for complications in the event of contracting COVID-19 should reconsider attending camp during the current pandemic.

Guidelines may be updated at any time based on national, state and local health regulations and recommendations.

1. All camp participants, staff members and visitors will undergo a detailed health screening upon entering or re-entering camp. This will include a body temperature reading and symptom questionnaire.
2. Any camp participant, staff member or visitor who has a temperature of 100.4 degrees F/38.0 degrees C or greater or answers yes to any of the screening questions will not be allowed to enter camp.
3. Any camp participant, staff member or visitor who develops a temperature of 100.4 degrees F/38 degrees C or greater or who develops symptoms as outlined on the questionnaire will be immediately sent home without exception.
4. Cloth face masks should be worn at all times outside of an individual's tent or cabin.
5. Unit leaders should screen their unit members daily and report any positive symptoms to the Camp Health Officer or Camp Director immediately. Staff members will be screened daily.
6. Any individual with known direct contact to anyone with an active COVID-19 infection within the last 14 days should not enter camp.
7. Social distancing at a minimum of 6 feet will be enforced. Group size will be limited based on current guidelines. Gatherings of more than 10 individuals not associated with camp program or unit activities are strongly discouraged.
8. Frequent hand washing is essential and should be enforced.
9. Camp participants will need to tent alone or with immediate family within safe scouting guidelines.
10. All dining activities will be at the unit level and not the dining hall.
11. Camp participants will be expected to remain within their designated group.

12. All program areas may open or close based upon current risk and guidelines. This may include but is not limited to the pool or swimming area, playground, gaga pit, human foosball, climbing and bouldering wall, COPE course, waterfront and fire rings.
13. All program areas will be cleaned with either soap and water or disinfectant as appropriate prior to and after each meeting or session.

Camp Health Staff guidelines

1. Individuals evaluated in the health lodge shall maintain social distancing. Youth protection guidelines should always be followed.
2. Camp health staff shall use personal protective equipment (PPE) including a surgical mask and face shield when evaluating individuals with COVID-19 symptoms. These symptoms could include fever, chills, cough, dyspnea, sore throat, headache, back or muscle aches, confusion, loss of taste or smell, loose stools, nausea or vomiting.
3. Universal precautions apply as usual.
4. Hand washing prior to and after the examination and treatment of an individual is essential.
5. The examination table or bed and area will be wiped down with disinfectant after each visit.
6. Any camp participant or staff member who becomes symptomatic will be sent home immediately and the Camp Director notified. The individual will be isolated in the health lodge in a preselected area until transportation is available. The individual should be referred to his/her health care provider for further evaluation and treatment. Emergency care protocols are to be followed for serious or life threatening signs and symptoms.
7. Other camp participants or staff with direct contact with an individual who becomes ill should be closely monitored for the development of symptoms. This would include twice daily body temperature readings and screening questionnaire.
8. The council health advisor, Dr. Doug Peters, may be contacted with any questions at 319-759-6093. If not immediately available, the local health department may be contacted.

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