

## **Summer Day Camp Precautions in light of COVID-19**

Our mission is to make camp this summer safe, fun and meaningful for the campers. We strive to serve the parents of our community especially as they are returning to work. Our vision for Day Camp during these unprecedented times is to provide an environment where parents can feel comfortable sending their children knowing that safety and stopping the spread of COVID-19 is a high priority to us.

Below is a summary of some of the guidelines and modifications we as the Forest Brook Day Camp Staff Team are committing to follow. These guidelines we have been taken from the Ontario Ministry of Health's "[COVID-19 Guidance: Summer Day Camps](#)".

### **Safety Requirements for Staff and Campers**

- Our total number of campers per week of camp will be under 48 campers and camp will largely occur outdoors.
- All campers will be put into groups of no more than 10 people including campers and staff. They will be in the same group for the duration of the week.
- Groups will rotate separately from each other and will not mix or interact during the week of camp.
- All staff members will be wearing face masks when interacting with others outside of their group.
- During before and after care, campers and staff will be wearing masks and the campers will be doing a quiet, relatively independent activities.

### **Distancing Measures in Places**

- Pick-up and drop-off areas, mealtimes, outdoor activities and program spaces will all occur separately for each group.
- Each group will have their own assigned bathroom
- Pick-ups and drop-offs will all occur outside and each group will have a separate designated area.
- All children will be bringing their own lunches and snacks and we will be enforcing "no food sharing".

## **Cleaning Procedures**

- Hand washing breaks will be integrated into the camp schedule multiple times a day and any time before eating.
- Any toys or equipment used at camp will be made of material that can be cleaned and disinfected (for example plush toys and play dough will be avoided).
- Sharing of frequently touched objects will be minimized. Each group will have their own designated equipment.
- Cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces (such as doorknobs) will be done a minimum of twice a day (a cleaning chart will be used and posted to track cleaning).
- Group will all have at least 60% alcohol containing hand sanitizers.

## **Screening Procedures**

- Everyone's attendance (staff and camper) will be recorded including anyone who enters the program setting for more than 15 minutes.
- All staff and campers will be asked for confirmation of a daily temperature check done upon arrival at camp.
- Any camper or staff member who has been exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the previous 14 days will be excluded from the program setting.
- Any camper presenting symptoms of COVID-19 will be immediately separated from others in a supervised area, sent home and referred for testing.
- Should the above point occur, parents and local public health unit will be informed and updated on the proper response.

We would love to have your child at camp this summer, we look forward to receiving your registration. If, however, you have already registered your children, but would like to change their registration, please let us know by email ([Daycamp@forestbrook.ca](mailto:Daycamp@forestbrook.ca)).

If you have any further questions, feel free to contact us. Our planning is still "fluid" as we are basing our decisions on developments from Public Health Authorities. We look forward to having a fun and safe camp this summer.

The Forest Brook Day Camp Staff Team