



July 6, 2020

Announcements: Out of abundance of caution and in lieu of the Governor's latest Executive Order, we are now making it mandatory for parents to wear a face covering when outside of their vehicle during check-in or check-out. Also, if your camper has a pillow/sheet/blanket etc. that is outside of their luggage, we ask that, if possible, to place it in a bag to allow it to stay clean during the transport to their cabin after check-in.

Protocols: As of the writing of this note, our protocols given by the state for camp have been modified to include a requirement for all staff and campers ages 10+ to wear a face covering when they are within 6 feet of others. In lieu of this modification:

- Please pack 2 or more washable face coverings for your camper to wear. The ideal face covering for your camper will be one that they can wear around their neck and pull up and over the mouth and nose whenever around campers not from their cabin and social distance cannot be maintained. A bandana or buff type is ideal.
- If you do not have and are unable to acquire face coverings for your camper(s) ages 10 and up, we are able to provide them with a camp friendly mask.
- Your camper's masks will be laundered at least twice during the week
- Cabin groups are considered "households" so face coverings will NOT need to be worn in the cabin or with the cabin group.
- We are also making modifications to our activities that have a period of sitting so that campers can maintain social distance from those in other cabin groups without needing to put on face coverings.
- Your camper will rarely wear a mask outdoors. Walking to and from activities as well as the activity itself is considered physical activity and we can maintain social distance by cabin group at most outdoor gatherings. A situation where they may wear one outdoors would be in the brief moments waiting to enter buildings or in line for an activity etc.
- Our face covering enforcement will be gentle reminders when needed.
- Campers or staff may choose to wear a mask/face covering at times other than required if desired.

Health: As we continue striving to keep campers and staff safe, we want to let you know that during our previous week of camp one of our volunteers learned that she had been exposed to COVID prior to arriving at camp. She left camp and upon arrival at home was tested and the results were positive. When we were made aware of this, we began contact tracing where the highest levels of exposure may have been and, out of an abundance of caution, immediately sent 4 other staff members home to self-quarantine away from camp for 14 days. Each person has been and continues to be asymptomatic and will be tested prior to returning to camp at the end of that quarantine time. While there was exposure, this does not mean that they have COVID

or that they will test positive when the results are given. This being said, we continued to follow our protocols that were established prior to beginning camp this summer and have cleaned and sanitized all buildings that were used. Each day throughout the week campers and staff alike have their temperatures checked and questions asked about how they're feeling to provide some insight if there are any symptoms that we need to address. Those have checked out well for each person. Our medical team instructs/reminds campers and staff alike to follow the established protocols of maintaining appropriate social distancing, washing their hands with soap/water, use hand sanitizer going in/out of buildings, after activities, not sharing food/drinks, cleaning high-traffic surfaces multiple times/day etc.

The health and safety of your camper is our top priority. Our desire continues to be to walk in facts and faith but not in fear as we seek to honor Him in all that we do. If you have questions please feel free to contact our Health Services Manager, Kristine Anderson, via phone at 830-693-2182 ext. 214 or email Kristine@camppeniell.org. Thank you so much for entrusting your camper to us for as we cherish that deeply. Thank you again.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian".

Brian Anderson – 1 Cor. 15:58

Executive Director

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