

The safety and health of campers and counselors is always the highest priority at camp!
The YMCA of Indiana County will do everything we can to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. We need your help! A healthy camp starts at home!

Health & Safety Plan for Summer Camp 2021.

Information could change as updated from DOH through the summer.

CAMP INFORMATION

Ages: 3 years-16 years

Locations: YMCA of Indiana County and Mack Park

Weeks: June 7-August 27

Times: 7:30 am- 5:30pm

Registration should take place online at camp.icymca.org. Registration must be complete, and all paperwork must be submitted prior to your camper's first day.

Paperwork can be emailed to SummerCampDir@icymca.org

Camp Groups:

Campers will be divided into small cohorts that we call "families". You have registered your camper for a specific age group (IE: Discoverer, Adventurer, etc.) and we have taken those groups and divided them into even smaller families.

As families move from one location to another Y staff will clean and sanitize the vacated area before a new family enters the area.

There may be times that multiple families will need to be either indoors or in a larger group in the same location. In these instances, we will do our best to ensure that campers stay with their families and are 6 feet away from any other family. If social distancing is not an option, campers will be required to wear their face masks.

Counselor/Staff:

- 1:10 ratio
- Counselors are not permitted to come to camp if they are not feeling well, are symptomatic, or have a fever of over 100.4.
- Our team will always wear face masks except when eating lunch/snack and drinking.
- We have provided counselors with up-to-date education and training on COVID-19 risk factors and protective behaviors (e.g., cough etiquette and care of PPE).

Group Size:

Group sizes will be limited. Camp groups, once determined, will remain together for the week, and will be separated from other groups whenever possible.

Swimming:

Initially, swimming will not be available. Until the YMCA and Mack Pools open, we will host Wacky water day events to keep campers cool and refreshed. Camp staff will inform parents/guardians of those days so you can plan. On water days please send your camper in their bathing suit. Pack a towel and sandals. Due to social distancing requirements, children need to come packed with a change of clothes they can manage without counselor assistance.

While at Mack Pool, campers will follow enhanced protocols that all other bathers will be required to follow while using those facilities. More information on those guidelines will come out as we get closer to opening our pools.

Activities:

Activities that will limit physical contact will be planned. Equipment will be disinfected after each group use and sufficient supplies will be provided for everyone when possible.

PARENT INFORMATION: PLEASE REVIEW THE HANDBOOK RECEIVED VIA EMAIL FROM THE YMCA OF INDIANA COUNTY

Visitors:

Visitors will not be permitted at camp.

CHECK IN/OUT:

Parents/Guardians will not leave the vehicle during drop off or pick up. Camp staff will be stationed at the drop off pick up zones. Everyone in the vehicle will need to be wearing a mask, including the camper.

During drop off:

Drop off times are from 7:30-9:00 am. A staff person will approach the vehicle wearing gloves and a mask. Everyone in the vehicle will need to go through a series of health screening questions. All campers will have their temperature taken at drop off prior to exiting the vehicle. Assuming all precautionary measures are met the camper(s) will be released to camp staff, signed in by camp staff and will be escorted by camp staff to their cohort family. Campers will be required to use hand sanitizer or wash their hands upon arrival with their cohort family.

During pickup:

Pickup times start at 4 pm. Camp staff will ask to see identification and verify which camper(s) is being picked up. Once the pickup person is verified your camper(s) will be escorted to the vehicle. Parents/guardians who have additional questions or needs at pick up will pull over to a designated spot, stay in their vehicle and wait for a Camp Director or Assistant Director to come to them.

If a camper needs picked up prior to 4 pm arrangements must be made with camp staff ahead of time. Parents/Guardians may try to notify camp staff via Class Dojo but depending on activities at camp at the time there could be a delay in communication. If an emergency arrives Parent/Guardian should contact the Mack Pool 724-463-7622.

Masks/Face Covering:

- Counselors will wear masks.
- Parents/Guardians will wear masks.
- Campers will be required to wear masks while indoors, in groups larger than their family cohort, and when social distancing is not possible.

Temperature Checks:

Camper and counselor temperatures will be checked daily upon arrival and at scheduled intervals throughout the day. Individuals with temps of 100.4° F or higher will not be permitted to stay at camp.

CAMPER ILLNESS AND PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

Camper Illness: The health and safety of all campers and staff is our top priority. We need your help to ensure this. Please do not send your child to camp if he/she has been exposed to anyone who has a confirmed diagnosis of the coronavirus, exposed to someone who is exhibiting symptoms of the coronavirus within the past 72 hours, or has shown their own symptoms consistent with the coronavirus within the past 72 hours.

If your camper shows any signs of being sick, they will not be permitted at camp.

If a camper or camp staff has a temperature of 100.4 or higher, they must stay home until they have been temperature free for 72 hours.

No camper or counselor is permitted to attend camp if they are not feeling well.

Sick Camper Protocol:

- Most importantly, if a camper isn't feeling well, they need to stay home.
- Each site will have an isolation area for sick campers.
- If a camper begins to develop symptoms while at camp, we will remove them from their group immediately and contact parent/guardian.
- The camper will be required to be picked up immediately if they show any signs of illness such as, but not limited to, cough, fever, upset stomach.
- All surfaces the camper had contact with will be closed/removed and cleaned. They will then be cleaned again (after waiting 12 hours) after all respiratory droplets have settled.
- Other parents will be informed that their camper was in a group where a child developed an illness during the day and went home. No personal or contact information will ever be shared.

Sick Counselor Protocol:

- Most importantly, if a counselor is not feeling well, they are expected to stay home.
- If a counselor begins to get ill during the day, he/she will be required go home immediately-replacement supervision will be brought in to maintain ratios.
- All surfaces the counselor had contact with will be closed/removed and cleaned. They will then be cleaned again (after waiting 12 hours) after all respiratory droplets have settled
- Parents of his/her campers will be informed of their counselor falling ill. No personal information will be released.

If a confirmed case of COVID-19 has entered camp:

We might need to implement short-term closure procedures regardless of community spread if an infected person has been in a specific location. If this happens, CDC recommends the following procedures regardless of the level of community spread:

- Coordinate with local health officials. Once learning of a COVID-19 case in someone who has been at camp, immediately notify local health officials. These officials will help administrators determine a course of action.
- Dismiss campers and staff for 2-5 days. This initial short-term dismissal allows time for the local health officials to gain a better understanding of the COVID-19 situation impacting the camp. This allows the local health officials to help the camp determine appropriate next steps, including whether an extended dismissal duration is needed to stop or slow further spread of COVID-19.
- Discourage counselors, campers, and their families from gathering or socializing anywhere.
- Communicate with counselors, parents, and students. Coordinate with local health officials to communicate dismissal decisions and the possible COVID-19 exposure. In such a circumstance, it is critical to maintain confidentiality of the student or staff member as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act.
- Clean and disinfect thoroughly.
- Close off areas used by the individuals with COVID-19 and wait as long as practical before beginning cleaning and disinfection to minimize potential for exposure to respiratory droplets.
- Restrooms- open outside doors and windows to increase air circulation in the area. If possible, wait up to 24 hours before beginning cleaning and disinfection.
- Cleaning staff should clean and disinfect all areas (e.g., offices, bathrooms, and common areas) used by the ill persons, focusing especially on frequently touched surfaces.
- If surfaces are dirty, they should be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

- For disinfection most common EPA-registered household disinfectants should be effective. Additionally, diluted household bleach solutions can be used if appropriate for the surface.

Preventative Measures:

You will be required to watch these videos with your camper.

- How to properly wash your hands- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wKtJOp5j1cU&feature=youtu.be>. As always campers are expected to wash hands before and after lunch, before and after bathroom breaks, after participating in activities and when they sneeze or cough into their hand. We will be integrating additional hand-washing times throughout the day.
- How to properly sneeze and cough- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8wmKArVuLaI>

Please tell your camper they are not to share personal items, food, utensils, devices, etc. with other campers.

Send your camper in close-toed shoes daily (except on Wacky Water Days) to cut down on the risk of injury (thus leading to the need for close contact).

Apply sunscreen prior to camp. Teach your child how to apply their own sunscreen. Counselors are only permitted to help apply spray on sunscreen.

BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT

Bad behavior will not be tolerated. You will need to talk to your camper about their behavior and the importance to follow the rules.

In these stressful and uncertain times, we will not tolerate bad behavior. For the safety of all other campers and counselors, campers who cannot follow these safety rules may be dismissed immediately.

Camper(s):

- Will always stay in assigned group.
- Will make a sincere effort to understand and observe social distancing.
- Be responsible for their own actions. Do not blame others.
- Never hit, push, shove, bump or be rude to others.
- Not run in the building hallways.
- Respect others in what you say and do.
- Listen to program leaders and follow directions.
- Use appropriate language.
- Keep hands to oneself and maintain self-control.
- Take care of own belongings.
- Use equipment and supplies in a safe and appropriate manner.
- Teasing and bullying are not tolerated, and children should report these incidents immediately to their counselor.

- Communicate in an appropriate manner, no foul language or gestures, harsh words, or tone of voice.
- Never bring weapons or unsafe items to camp.
- Play safe and have fun.
- Purposefully or maliciously spitting, sneezing, or coughing on another camper or counselor will result in immediate permanent dismissal from camp

CLEANING PROCEDURES

Campers/Counselors:

Everyone will wash their hands for at least 20 seconds when they arrive and as needed throughout the day. We will have multiple hand washing breaks throughout the day for both counselors and campers, minimum once per hour.

Only one person will be permitted in the bathroom at a time.

Our team will sanitize and clean surfaces thoroughly multiple times each day including bathrooms and sports equipment. We will keep a daily cleaning log.

Sports Equipment/Art Supplies: will be disinfected after each group use. Every attempt to minimize sharing will be used.

Bathroom Facilities:

Will be cleaned and disinfected before camp, twice during camp hours and at the end of the day.

Trash Cans:

Will be cleaned and disinfected before camp, during camp and after camp.

Water Sources:

Will be cleaned and disinfected before camp, twice during camp hours and at the end of the day

BAD WEATHER:

In the event of light rain, all activities will be held outdoors as much as possible. Please pack a raincoat and rain boots or extra shoes on these days. In the event the weather is more severe camp will gather under the pavilion or in a building. In these cases, campers will be required to wear a mask.

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