

## YMCA Camp Manitou-Lin FAQs During COVID-19

### Will Summer Camp run this Summer?

- YES! We have been working hard to plan a COVID aware summer camp program. We have been following the guidelines of the CDC, our local health department, and the American Camp Association Field Guide. We will continue to watch these guidelines and adapt as needed as we get closer to the start of Summer 2021.

### Will Campers be required to get a COVID test before camp?

- Families will be asked to self-monitor and conduct a daily health screen for 14 days prior to the arrival at camp. This will include daily temperature checks and screening for the following symptoms: shortness of breath, diarrhea, fatigue, headache, muscle aches, nausea, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, or vomiting.
- Participants will be asked to limit large group activities during this 14 day health screen.
- If a participant has been in close contact with a person who has tested positive for or quarantines as a result of COVID-19, please inform YMCA Camp Manitou-Lin prior to your arrival. You may be asked to provide a proof of negative COVID-19 test or move your stay to a future date.
- Participants are recommended to have a COVID test 3-5 prior to the start of their camp session, but at this point, it is not required.

### Will there be Health Checks at Camp?

- Yes- there will be daily health checks for all staff and campers this summer.
- This will include a temperature check and symptoms screening.

### Will Check in and Check out Day look different?

- Yes- there will be a few things that look different this summer!
- For Overnight Camp, we will have a complete drive-thru drop off and drive thru pick up. Parents/Guardians will be asked to remain in their vehicle as they are directed through several stops in the process. More details will be available in your PARENT GUIDES that can be found in your Camp IN Touch portal. <https://campmanitoulin.campintouch.com/v2/login/login.aspx?>
- For Day Camp, if you are dropping your camper off at Camp Manitou-Lin, this will be a drive thru process where parents/guardians remain in their vehicle. If your camper is riding the bus- the check in will take place at the designated bus stop. We ask that all families wear masks for this check in and remain 6 ft apart from other families.

### Will Campers have to wear masks?

- Campers and staff will be asked to wear a mask when indoors or when outdoors within 6 ft of others. Masks do not need to be worn when eating, sleeping, showering or swimming.
- We will be scheduling as many of our activities as possible outside and within the small cohorts of cabin groups or trail groups.
- Campers in the same cabin or trail group will at times be closer than 6 feet from one another. This is inherent in a camp program and precautions will be taken to limit this as much as possible.
- Campers will be reminded when it is necessary to wear a mask during the program.

### **How will Food Service work this summer?**

- Our day campers are asked to bring a lunch from home each day. Camp will provide an afternoon snack. Day campers may enjoy their lunch anywhere on camp that their group chooses!
- Our overnight campers will be eating with their cabin group. The tables in the lodge will be spread out to meet required distancing and groups will have the option to eat on the lodge porch or picnic tables outside.

### **Is there more cleaning happening this summer?**

- Yes! We have a very detailed daily cleaning routine that will involve cleaning and disinfecting common areas multiple times a day
- Campers and staff will also wash their hands or sanitize before and after each activity using newly added hand sanitizers and portable hand washing stations located around camp

### **Will there be any Program/Activity Changes this summer?**

- Cabins and Trail Groups will stay together and rotate from activity to activity throughout the week.
- Camp activities and choice time will not be offered for Summer Overnight Camp 2021. We hope to bring these back for 2022.
- Large group games and large campfires are discouraged at this time. Staff are working to adapt these programs and offer them at a smaller scale to meet the recommendations.

### **What if my camper becomes ill while at camp?**

- We have an RN on site for all camp sessions. She/He will be monitoring all symptoms presented from campers and staff. If a camper or staff show any COVID-19 symptoms, they will immediately be isolated from their group in our infirmary quarantine space. Parents/Guardians will be notified and will most likely be asked to pick up the camper from camp.
- We will follow the guidance of our local health department in regards to a return time or will work with families to reschedule to a future date.

### **What are your testing & vaccine requirements?**

- In an effort to be equitable to every family we serve, campers will not be required to present a negative COVID-19 test before coming to camp. Not all families have equitable access to these tests, and we do not want to turn away campers because their family is not able to access testing in a timely manner.
- Most of our camp leadership have been fully vaccinated, and our summer staff will be eligible for vaccination through the YMCA once they are hired. Staff members are given the **option** to receive their vaccines, and are **encouraged but not required** to do so, as it is a personal and private healthcare.

### **What if I would like to Cancel my registration?**

- Please visit our [Cancellation Policy](#) and reach out to Camp for more options. [Camp@grymca.org](mailto:Camp@grymca.org)