



2021 Camps

Coronavirus Guidelines for Camp Operations

The City of Falls Church Recreation and Parks Department is committed to the safety and health of all camp participants, staff, and their families. To achieve and maintain the highest level of health and safety all camp programs will operate as outlined below. These practices were developed in accordance with guidance provided by the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American Camp Association (ACA), and state and local health and government officials.

- All campers are required to wear a mask/face covering at all times when indoors and whenever social distancing cannot be maintained outdoors.
- Social distancing of six feet will be maintained and enforced while still allowing for the care and developmental needs of children. Campers will be kept at least 6 feet apart from each other and physical proximity will be limited to the maximum extent possible.
- Camp enrollments are limited to the number of campers that can be accommodated while maintaining the required social distance within the assigned camp space.
- Groups of children may share the same physical space (e.g. classroom, gym) so long as social distancing of six feet can be maintained and children do not mix between groups. Rooms and camp sites will be physically arranged to provide each camper their own designated space 6 feet from other campers and staff.
- All staff and campers will undergo a health screening by staff prior to admittance to the camp facility.
- Staff and campers who are feeling ill should remain home.
- Any camper who is ill or displays symptoms of Covid-19 will be removed from the group and isolated until they can be picked up. Staff who are ill will be sent home.
- Any staff or camper found to have been in close contact with a Covid-19 individual will be sent home.

- If a camper or staff member is found to be Covid-19 positive, staff will follow Fairfax County Health Department recommendations.
- All equipment will be cleaned/disinfected between use by campers
- Campers and staff will wash their hands upon camp arrival, before and after snacks and lunch, and when entering and exiting the camp facilities.
- Campers will eat lunch in their designated camp facility (classroom, gym, or field) whenever possible. Masks may be removed when eating/drinking. Meals and snacks will be eaten outside whenever possible. Social distancing will be maintained when eating/drinking indoors.
- Campers should provide their own lunch, snack and reusable water bottle labeled with their name.
- Campers should limit their personal belongings to one bag labeled with their name and avoid sharing items with other campers.