



Pandemic:

Purpose – The purpose of this highly infectious disease preparedness plan is to increase the communication to our Adventure Camp families. The plan would serve as a resource guide for planning and responding to a sudden pandemic. Highly infectious illnesses may have a short incubation period, spread easily and cause severe illness or possible death, and may have no possible existing vaccine or treatment. In the event of a pandemic, the camp will work closely with the local and state health officials to determine the best course of action to reduce the risk of infection.

Scope – Adventure Camp will have plans and procedures to support the ability to remain operational during a pandemic. Plans and procedures may include social distancing protocols, personal protection equipment (PPE), and smaller group sizes.

Procedure - This guidance stresses that essential functions can be maintained during a pandemic through mitigation strategies, such as social distancing, increased hygiene, the vaccination of staff, children and their families, and similar approaches. Adventure Camp will encourage children and staff to engage in health-promoting behaviors that prevent illnesses including but not limited to:

- Keep immune systems strong with regular exercise, nutritious foods, sufficient sleep and plenty of fluids
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water and avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing.
- Stay home from work/program if sick with a fever or actively coughing
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Specialized Procedures –The ALC Reopening Task Force Coordinator will oversee a Reopen Task Force Team to anticipate the impacts of a pandemic on the programs and to assist with developing strategies to manage the effects of a pandemic. An Assessment Team will also help in the management of staff health and safety. All staff will be trained around safe practices such as cleaning and disinfecting effectively as well as other healthy hygiene practices. Adventure Camp will implement several risk-reduction strategies in order to reduce the spread of illnesses.

The School Age Coordinator will:

- Develop/revise the Pandemic Plan/Return to Work Guide with the help of the ALC Reopen Taskforce.
- Work with the ALC Reopen Taskforce and local agencies.
- Establish procedures to ensure children and staff who become sick at the program or arrive to the program sick, are sent home as soon as possible.
- Communicate the importance of staying home when sick to staff and parents until they have been without a fever for 24 hours to help prevent spreading the illness to others.
- Provide information to educate staff, children and parents on preventative measures.
- Monitor current information from health officials.



- Have a plan in place for substitutes or alternative staff.
- Communicate with staff, children, and parents before, during and after a pandemic.
- Notices containing information regarding hand hygiene, covering coughs and sneezes, and student spacing will be placed around the building
- Invoke School Age Adventures policy about staying home and returning to work/school.

Adventure Camp staff will:

- All staff will self-screen and self-monitor before arriving to the program each day.
- Designated staff will screen all children as they arrive to the program each morning.
- Routinely clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- Create social distancing strategies such as spacing out children at tables, etc.
- Limit group activities.

Health and Safety Protocols:

Face Coverings:

- All staff will be required to wear a face covering over their nose and mouth when social distancing is not possible.
- All children will be required to wear a face covering over their nose and mouth when social distancing is not possible.
- All adults dropping children off at the program will be required to wear a face covering.

Screening:

- Children will be screened daily upon arrival to camp.
- Staff will self-screen before arriving to the program each day.
- Anyone with symptoms of an illness will not be allowed into the program. Current State/ALC policy criteria must be met in order to return to the program.

Healthy Hygiene:

- Staff will encourage children to practice frequent hand hygiene.
- Hand washing stations will be available at the programs. If soap and water are not available, hand sanitizer with a concentration of at least 60% alcohol will be available.
- Hand sanitizers will be set up throughout the program.
- Signs will be posted in the program regarding healthy hygiene practices to help reduce the spread of germs.

Cleaning/Disinfecting:

- Staff will routinely clean, sanitize and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects including toys and games, door handles, light switches, countertops, etc. Tables will be wiped down before and after each use. Staff will follow the disinfectant manufacturer's instructions.



- If a child becomes sick at the program, he/she will be isolated from the other children and staff, given a clean mask to wear, and the parent/legal guardian will be called and asked to pick up immediately.
- Staff will clean and disinfect all surfaces in the isolated room/area as well as all areas used by the sick child or staff after the sick child/staff has gone home or up to 24 hours if possible.
- If there is a confirmed case of illness at the program, the school, parents and local health agencies will be notified.

Social Distancing:

- Children will be divided into small groups to help stop the spread of germs.
- Increased outside time.
- The same group of staff and children will be kept together whenever possible.
- Different groups may use the same indoor/outdoor space when space is large enough, but groups will be kept separate and not allowed to interact.
- Children and staff will be reminded to maintain a distance of at least 3 feet from others when possible.
- Games and activities will be designed to allow for social distancing and child safety.
- Each child's backpack will be separated each day.
- All equipment/supplies will be cleaned and disinfected frequently.
- Food, drink and utensils will not be shared.
- During lunch, snack or table activities, children will be spaced 3 feet apart from one another whenever possible.

Drop off/Pick up:

- To ensure the health and safety of our children and staff, parents are asked to remain outside and ring a buzzer for drop off/pick up procedures.
- For drop off, a staff member will greet you at the door and screen your child following our screening procedure. One parent will be allowed into our office to sign their child in. We will have floor markings to allow for social distancing and one-way traffic.
- For pick up, a staff member will greet you at the door, check your ID, and then escort your child out to you. One parent will be allowed into our office to sign their child out.