

6/24/2021

Hello from Lions Camp!

As we prepare for Camp coming up on July 18-22, 2021, I am sharing with you the details on how we're keeping camp safe. What I need you to do is to review this information and think about what we're asking you and your camper to do before Camp and what safety measures we're implementing during Camp. If you feel you are not able to follow these safety measures or do not feel your camper would be safe here with these measures, please reach out and cancel your camper's registration. While that may be a difficult decision for you, it is your responsibility to determine if camp is right for your camper in this situation.

If you'd like to discuss these steps with me, email is best as we're preparing for staff to arrive and I won't always be in my office: ayerter@wisconsinlionscamp.com or 715-677-4969, ext. 319.

Vaccinations:

Many of our staff are vaccinated and several of our campers are. However, we are not requiring vaccines as that is a personal decision to be made by each person. We strongly encourage you to consider the vaccine as another layer of protection, but being vaccinated does not mean you can skip any of our steps to stay healthy. Please note that we are testing our residential staff weekly.

Pre-screening – Before Camp:

In order to have the best chance to keep camp safe we are requiring one of two methods:

1. Bring to Camp documentation of a negative PCR test done within 72 hours prior to Camp. You must have written documentation of your camper's negative result with you if you choose this method.

2. Complete the enclosed pre-screening document. This requires a simple daily check for 14 days leading up to Camp. This starts on Monday, July 4.

- Review the list of possible symptoms each day and mark in the box if there are any symptoms or no symptoms.
- You must bring the completed pre-screening form to Camp on Sunday or your camper will not be allowed to attend Camp.

3. Camp healthcare staff will call all camper guardians the week prior to your camp arrival to do a pre-registration and to review your pre-screening results to ensure we are ready for registration.

Arrival:

We will be doing our best to ensure that arrival is done safely. Here is our procedure:

- Only one person can come in the main gate with your camper for drop off. All others must wait in the parking lot.

- We will be doing a temperature check of each person before coming in the main gate.
- We are requiring that your camper, and anyone accompanying you during registration wear a mask when they enter the main camp area. All staff will be wearing a mask during arrival.
- Luggage will be left at the gate for staff to wipe it down, and when your camper's registration is finished, a staff member will help get your camper's luggage to your cabin.
- Once you arrive at your cabin, your camper does not need to wear a mask.
- Please note, if you do not live in that building, you cannot enter it. That includes the person who brought the camper to Camp.

During the Week:

- We are not requiring the use of masks, except in specific buildings: inside the health lodge, if the camper needs to go inside and the offices of the Memorial Building.
- Your camper will move to activities, meals and more as a unit, which is the two cabins that share a full building (i.e. Foresters/Hemlocks).
- All units will move independently – they must maintain physical distancing from each other.
- Buildings are for those who live inside them only. This will be strictly enforced.
- In the dining hall, all meals are going to be served buffet style. We will need to stagger meal times for each building, so that all campers can get their food safely. We are also asking that campers wash their hands before and after each meal.
- In the dining hall, all food service staff will be masked to ensure the food is being prepared safely. Staff who assist with meals will mask when bringing you seconds to protect your food.
- Activities will be held outside as much as possible. We will have extra picnic tables set up throughout main camp to ensure additional space to spread out.
- Water fountains in buildings without water bottle fillers are off limits.
- Anytime housekeeping, maintenance or a full time staff member enters your camper's building, they will be masked.
- We will be cleaning the buildings more often and will ask campers to wash down certain areas with soap and water as needed to keep things as clean as possible.
- We will be opening windows throughout the camp to provide additional ventilation as well as using higher grade filters in our furnaces.

Departure:

- **Departure will be on Thursday night from 6-8 PM due to the need for additional cleaning of living spaces on Friday to prepare for the next group of Campers.**
- All campers and luggage will be brought up to the main area for departure.
- Only one person will be allowed in the main gate to pick up their camper, and again, we request they wear a mask when they come into the main area.


Post Camp:

- If your camper becomes ill after attending Camp with COVID symptoms, or test positive up to two weeks after attending Camp, you must call Camp and report that information.
- If we are notified of a possible exposure, you will be contacted if it involved the building where your camper lived.

I hope that this information gives you a better understanding of what we're doing at Camp. Remember, that no matter what we do, there is always the risk that COVID could come to Camp. If you feel you are not comfortable sending your camper or that they are unable to follow our requirements listed above, we understand! Please contact Michelle at 715-677-4969 to cancel.

Again, please contact me with any questions, and we look forward to seeing your camper at Camp this summer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrea Yenter". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Andrea Yenter
Camp Director