

Covid-19 Policies 2021

GENERAL INFORMATION

As the Coronavirus continues to impact how people gather around the world, this isn't business as usual for anyone. We are vigilantly following camp-specific guidelines from the Commonwealth of Virginia, CDC, and American Camp Association, and making necessary adjustments to our usual protocols. We are taking guidelines very seriously and evolving best practices for how to operate safely.

Our family and team of staff have been preparing to make camp as healthy and enjoyable as possible. We're sure you have a lot of questions, so we put together an overview of what to expect.

PRE-ARRIVAL PRECAUTIONS

Exposure Precautions

Please limit your camper's exposure to COVID-19 for 14 days prior to camp arrival.

- Practice physical distancing
- Follow CDC mask guidelines
- Avoid large gatherings of people- graduations, parties, weddings, etc.
- Avoid indoor restaurants, indoor concerts, and large sporting events
- Avoid unnecessary travel
- Limit social interactions to immediate family and/or a small pod of people
- Practice frequent handwashing
- Monitor for COVID-19 symptoms daily

Vaccinations

We highly encourage all staff, CITs, and eligible campers to get the COVID-19 vaccine when available. We will arrange vaccinations locally for unvaccinated staff upon arrival who wish to be vaccinated.

Testing

Pre-Arrival testing is no longer required.

Travel to Camp

Please follow <u>CDC guidelines</u> for travel when coming to camp.

CANCELLATION POLICY

We are changing our refund policy for this year. We don't want families to feel forced to attend camp or lose their money if they aren't comfortable with the landscape of COVID-19 when we reach the summer. We will offer full refunds or rollovers to 2022 to enrolled families who cancel at any point prior to the start of their session.

We expect to have camper wait lists this summer and ask that you are mindful regarding the date you choose to cancel. If you cancel with advance notice, we can offer your spot to another camper who is on our wait list. Please reserve last minute cancellations for COVID-19 related concerns – Scout's honor! If you need to cancel your camper's enrollment, please email info@campfriendship.com or call us at 434-589-8950.

OPENING DAY AT CAMP

Arrival

Use the following address when using GPS/Google Maps: **573 Friendship Way, Palmyra, VA 22963.** Arrival and Departure days will operate with a one-way traffic pattern, with you entering at our Equestrian Center and exiting by the office. After turning off of Rt. 15 onto Friendship Rd (644), follow the small blue Equestrian Center signs in our back entrance. **Do NOT** follow your GPS all the way to 573 Friendship Way as this brings you in our front entrance to the camp office.

Check In is on Sunday afternoon using the following schedule. Please do not arrive earlier than your scheduled time. If you have campers in multiple Villages, arrive during the first scheduled time and we will check in all of your campers at one time.

Equestrian Camp: 2:00 pm Traditional Camp- Junior Girls (ages 7-12): 2:45 pm Traditional Camp- Junior Boys (ages 7-12): 3:45 pm Traditional Camp- Senior Village (ages 13-16): 4:45 pm

We are unable to accept campers prior to 2:00 pm. The speed limit at camp is 10 mph. For the safety of campers and staff, please leave pets at home. If pets are brought, they must remain in your vehicle.

Check In Procedure

Check in will take a little longer than previous years and we suggest that you use the restroom before arriving at camp, if needed.

- 1. Everyone in the vehicle must wear a mask when interacting with staff members.
- 2. Cars will be parked along the road and you will stay in your vehicle. A staff member will take the camper's temperature and conduct a health screening while standing next to the car.
- 3. Campers will receive an Abbot rapid COVID-19 nasal swab test while inside their car, *regardless of their vaccination status*. Note: This is the minimally invasive nasal swab, not the test that goes far up the nose. Once the test is complete, you will wait in your car for at least 15 minutes for the test result.
- 4. If your camper has a positive result, they will not be able to attend camp. We will offer a full refund or can switch to another session later in the summer if there is availability.
- 5. Once your camper has received negative COVID-19 test results, you will be directed to the area outside the camp store for several "drive through" stops. Please stay in your vehicle and wear a mask.
- 6. Staff members will ensure that you have completed all paperwork and will confirm how much money your camper has in their store account. You may drop off any pre-written letters for your campers to be distributed throughout the session. Please include the camper's first and last names, Village, and dates you would like them delivered.
- 7. You may purchase items at our camp store Pop Up Shop with cash and credit cards.
- 8. Our medical team will collect all medication (including over-the-counter meds and vitamins/supplements) and discuss any medical concerns.
- 9. Campers will exit the car for a head lice check. Once complete, they will return to the car.
- 10. You will be directed to your camper's village and staff will show you where to park and give you their cabin assignment.

- 11. You may exit the vehicle, while masked, to unload your camper luggage and hug your camper goodbye. Please stay next to your vehicle and do not enter the cabin. Staff members will help your camper move their luggage to their cabin and will help them make their beds (if needed) and get settled.
- 12. You will be directed to exit out the normal front entrance of camp to keep traffic one way and we will see you on Check-Out day. Happy trails!

PRECAUTIONS DURING CAMP

Daily Symptom Checks

We will conduct daily symptom checks for all campers and anyone with COVID-19 symptoms will be referred to our Health Center. If they test negative, they will continue to be isolated until their symptoms subside.

Masks

Vaccinated campers will not need to bring or wear masks.

Unvaccinated campers will wear masks at certain times, but not when eating, sleeping or swimming. Campers don't need to wear masks in their cabin or with their cohort. Masks will be worn indoors, at large group activities when physically distancing is not possible, and in vehicles for airport transportation.

Cohorts

Each Village will be a cohort in order to limit mixing, reduce mask wearing as much as possible, and for effective contact tracing, if needed.

Meals

We will eat in shifts in small groups by cohorts. Tables in the Dining Hall will have adequate space between cabin groups. Some meals may be enjoyed outside.

Cleaning

Cleaning is a large part of our camp routine with so many people living in our community. We will continue regular cleaning and sanitizing with CDC-approved cleaners of high-touch areas, equipment, bathrooms, and common spaces.

CAMP ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Activities

Most of our activities take place outdoors and indoor activities will have proper spacing and ventilation. Campers typically choose their own activities and travel around camp for them. This year campers and staff will be grouped into cohorts within their Village to minimize exposure, optimize contact tracing protocols and maximize mask-free opportunities. To limit mixing campers from different cohorts, daily activities will be done with each cohort. Individual activity choice is an important part of camp and we will still offer that on a smaller scale. Campers will have two or three activities to choose from each period, and some activities may be assigned. Campers will get to experience many of our different activities this year, rather than focusing on the typical five activities for each week.

Evening Activities

Most evening activities will take place by cohort. Any large group activities will be outdoors and allow for adequate spacing. Masks will be worn only when physical distancing is not possible.

MANAGING SYMPTOMS AND/OR POSITIVE CASES

Symptoms

Anyone exhibiting COVID-like symptoms will visit our Health Center for further screening and rapid testing may be performed.

Positive COVID-19 Cases

If there is a positive COVID-19 case, the camper will be separated from the group and will be supported in isolation, and parents will be called to pick them up. Parents of other campers in the cohort will be notified by email. All COVID-19 unvaccinated campers and staff in that cohort will be rapid tested and symptoms will continue to be monitored. If there are no additional positive cases in the cohort, they will continue with modified camp activities.

CLOSING DAY AT CAMP

Departure

Check-Out is on Saturday from 9:00 – 11:00 am. If you are running late please call us as soon as possible. Departure day will operate with a one-way traffic pattern, with you entering at our Equestrian Center and exiting by the office. After turning off of Rt. 15 onto Friendship Rd (644), follow the small blue Equestrian Center signs in our back entrance. **Do NOT** follow your GPS all the way to 573 Friendship Way as this brings you in our front entrance to the camp office. We use a one-way traffic system for Check In and Check Out days with a 10 mph speed limit. For the safety of campers and staff, please leave pets at home. If pets are brought, they must remain in your vehicle.

Check Out Procedure

- 1. Everyone in the vehicle must wear a mask when interacting with staff members.
- 2. You will stop at several "drive through" stops to pick up any camper medication, purchase any desired items from our camp store Pop Up Shop using cash and credit cards, and collect your camper's cabin photo. You will also receive Early Bird enrollment information and details on how to secure a spot and lock in tuition rates for 2022.
- 3. You will be directed to your camper's Village to park.
- 4. You may exit the vehicle, while masked, to hug and greet your camper. Luggage will be brought to your car. Please do not leave the area next to your car or enter cabins.
- 5. You will be directed to exit out the normal front entrance of camp to keep traffic one way. We'll see you next year!

Stayovers

Any campers staying at camp for the next session will be rapid tested again before Check In for the next session.

QUESTIONS

If you have questions, call us at (434) 589-8950 or email info@campfriendship.com.