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## COVID-19 Guidelines for Camp Programs

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Our COVID Guidelines are constantly updated based on the latest recommendations of our medical advisors, and will be continually updated at any time. Below are the latest guidelines for all Antiochian Camp Programs to follow.

### Travel to Camp

- Public Transportation to Camp
  - *Airplane:* All participants must wear a well-fitting mask while flying on an airplane and throughout the airport.
  - *Public Bus & Train:* No travel by public bus or public train to camp for any individuals.
- Charter Bus
  - Camps or Parishes may organize a charter bus to bring campers to camp.
  - All riders on the bus (including chaperones) must have a negative COVID-19 test with 72 hours of arriving to camp prior to boarding the bus.

### Check-In at Camp

When a participant (vaccinated or unvaccinated) arrives at camp, all participants must:

- Provide written documentation of negative COVID test (PCR or Antigen) performed within 72 hours of arriving at camp **OR** if the participant has tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 3 months, provide written documentation of that positive test.
- Agree to the COVID Informed Consent Agreement (or previously agreed to it during registration).

If you have had **any** known exposure within the past 5 days, or a sign of **any** symptoms, medical staff must determine whether it is safe for a camper to attend camp based on the symptom checklist. Each camp medical staff should ask the following verbal questions to all participants:

- *Have you experienced any of the following symptoms in the past 48 hours:*
  - *fever or chills*
  - *cough*
  - *shortness of breath or difficulty breathing*
  - *fatigue*
  - *muscle or body aches*
  - *headache*
  - *new loss of taste or smell*
  - *sore throat*
  - *congestion or runny nose*
  - *nausea or vomiting*
  - *diarrhea*
- *Are you isolating or quarantining because you tested positive for COVID-19 or are worried that you may be sick with COVID-19?*

- *Have you had a positive exposure in the last 10 days with:*
  - *anyone who is known to have laboratory-confirmed COVID-19?*
  - *anyone who has any symptoms consistent with COVID-19?*

## Masking

- Masks are NOT required while at camp.
- If a participant displays COVID-19 symptoms while at camp, participant may be asked to wear a mask while the medical staff evaluates them and tests them for COVID.

## What if someone contracts COVID-19 while at camp?

- See Communicable Disease Plan.

## Daily Check-In

- If any participants show any of the symptoms listed above, they should report to the camp medical staff immediately.

## Camp Activities

- Activities should be held outside as often as possible.

## After Departure

- If you test positive for COVID-19 within 5 days after returning from camp, please notify the Camp so that we can start contact-tracing procedures and reduce transmission risk for other families.

## Staff Time-Off and Travel Off-Site

Staff are allowed to go off-site during their time-off, as this is a necessary time for a break from camp and to shop for essential items. However, all staff are asked to follow best practices while off-site to minimize risk of exposure to COVID-19.

***Please note that these guidelines will be updated without notice.***