



COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDELINES

SUMMER 2021

**Please note that the guidelines are subject to change pending adjustments in the COVID reality in the weeks ahead. We are constantly monitoring the situation on the ground and remain in communication with the Department of Health of New Jersey and our medical committee. We will share any changes, should they occur, with our camp community in a timely manner.*

FACE COVERING AND SOCIAL DISTANCING: CAMPERS

- It is commonly known that the risk of transmission is greatly reduced in an outdoor setting. As such, we have purchased a number of tents and will be taking advantage of our beautiful campgrounds more than ever before with more activities taking place outside.
- Vaccinated campers and staff are not required to wear masks both indoors and outdoors. Camp will be requiring proof of vaccination
- Campers and staff who are vaccinated do not need to maintain social distancing from others (either vaccinated or unvaccinated populations)
- Camp will have extra masks on hand for those who need

OUTDOORS (UNVACCINATED CAMPERS AND STAFF)

- Masks are not required while campers (and unvaccinated staff) are with their cohort groups (bunk). If campers or their families wish to wear masks, they may certainly do so.
- Campers should wear masks at **arrival, dismissal, during transitions, and during crowded camp events** when there is possible sustained close contact with members of other cohorts.

INDOORS

- Masks are **not required** for unvaccinated campers when they are **with** their cohort groups, with the possible exception of certain activities for which the risk of transmission is higher. If campers or their families wish to wear masks, they may certainly do so.
- Masks **are** required when unvaccinated campers are in close contact with other cohort groups in an indoor setting.
- Masks **are** required for unvaccinated staff at all times due to the higher risk of transmission

DAILY SCREENING

Parents are required to monitor their children for signs of illness each day, self-report symptoms and notify of exposures to our camp nurses at nurse@bneiakiva.org.

- If there are no COVID-like symptoms, we welcome you to camp!
- If your child is experiencing any COVID-like symptoms at home, we ask

that you do not send him/her (as well as any other unvaccinated members of your household) to camp

COVID symptoms include the following (but is not limited to):

- Fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, aches and pains, chills, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea. Even if a child has symptoms resembling an allergy, please take the precaution of having him/her tested.
- Staff and campers who are sick or have recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19 must stay home.
- If anyone in the household has a pending test, all unvaccinated members of the household must stay home from camp until negative test results return.
- If camp becomes aware that a camper or staff member has tested positive for COVID-19, we will immediately notify the local health authority, and while maintaining confidentiality, share the news with the impacted parties.

IF A CHILD EXHIBITS COVID SYMPTOMS AT CAMP...

- If a child at camp presents with potential COVID-19 related symptoms, s/he must be picked up immediately and will not be able to return to camp until medically cleared.
- The camper that presented symptoms will wait in the COVID Care Room (supervised by an adult) until he/she is picked up.

IF A CAMPER/UNVACCINATED STAFF MEMBER TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19...

- Campers and unvaccinated staff who test positive for COVID-19 should isolate at home for a minimum of 10 days after symptom onset AND for 24 hours with no fever, without the use of fever-reducing medication, AND improvement of symptoms.

IF A CAMPER/UNVACCINATED STAFF MEMBER WAS IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19

- If a camper/untvaccinated staff member was in Close Contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, s/he must quarantine.
- Close Contact is defined as an interaction with someone who has a positive COVID-19 diagnosis within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more during a 24 hour period.
- The quarantine will last for 7 days with a negative PCR test on day 5 or 6 and a return to camp on day 8 (OR 10 days without a test)
People who have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19 are not required to quarantine if they have been fully vaccinated against the disease and show no symptoms. *(Fully vaccinated means having had the full series (either 1 or 2 doses, depending on the type of vaccine used AND 2 full weeks after the last dose))*

HAND WASHING

- Camp will promote healthy hygiene practices by reminding campers at various times during the day to wash hands.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be provided in numerous areas of camp
- Signs will be posted on how to stop the spread of COVID-19, properly wash hands and wear masks (where necessary)

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

- During bussing, space will be maintained between the driver and passengers
- Campers will be seated next to family members and/or fellow cohort members
- Face coverings must be worn at all times.
- Bus counselors will ensure that protocols are followed
- Windows will be kept open, except during hot or inclement weather, to encourage air flow
- Vehicles will be cleaned and disinfected between uses

- Children who ride in carpools with others who are not part of their cohort or family, should wear a mask during the drive to/from/camp

FOOD SERVICE

- Surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized between each meal service
- To eliminate congestion in the cafeteria among unvaccinated campers/staff, lunch will be served “family style” with the counselors picking up the labeled tray for their bunk at the start of the lunch period.
- Staff will receive lunch in the buffet line
- To reduce crowding in the cafeteria, *super hey* and *bogrim* will eat lunch daily in the large tent. *Eidot gimmel* through *hey* will operate on a rotation with two *eidot* eating inside and one *eidah* eating outside.

SWIM

- Similar to last year, our lifeguards will provide instruction to each bunk-cohort separately, thereby eliminating the mixing of unvaccinated children from different groups for a prolonged period of time (even though it’s outdoors).
- While campers will not be grouped across bunks based on skill level, lifeguards will differentiate based on each child’s swim proficiency as much as possible.

GUESTS ON CAMP GROUNDS

- All guests who are not fully vaccinated will be required to wear face coverings over their nose and mouth when entering premises and follow appropriate distancing protocols.
- While we love our parents, we ask parents to wait outside the front door when picking up children from camp. We will escort them to you.

FIELD TRIPS AND BUS SAFETY

- Field trips are approved this year, primarily but not limited to outdoor settings.
- Trips have been arranged in a way that reduces prolonged contact with others outside of the camp.

- Transportation to/from trip locations will abide by general camp transportation policies

CAMPUS CLEANLINESS

The cleaning staff will implement a variety of enhanced cleaning protocols, including cleaning of communal spaces, shared items, frequently touched surfaces and overall handwashing and sanitizing.

- Hand-sanitizer stations will be placed throughout the building.
- We will clean all bathrooms, shared spaces, and highly touched surfaces multiple times daily.
- All program equipment that is shared by multiple pods will be sanitized.

SUMMER TRAVEL

- To eliminate possible exposure to the virus during **air travel**, we ask unvaccinated campers and staff members to proceed as follows:
 - Quarantine for three days
 - On Day #3, take a PCR test
 - Pending the negative results of the test, we will welcome you to camp.
- Travel by car to other States does not require quarantine or testing

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO AN INCREDIBLE AND SAFE SUMMER TOGETHER IYH!