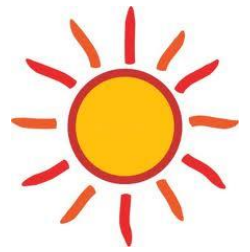




SOUTHAMPTON SUMMER DAY CAMP

Monday, JUNE 21 – Friday, AUGUST 13, 2021
CAMP CLOSED ON MONDAY, JULY 5th



2021 PRE-CAMP UPDATE

Dear Parents and Camp Families,

We hope everyone is doing well and getting set for an amazing summer of fun and friendship! As we approach the start of the 2021 summer camp season we wanted to bring everyone up to date on all the latest news and information regarding all things SSDC!

On Tuesday, June 1, we attended a Town Hall style virtual meeting with the CDC and the American Camp Association. The one big takeaway was that campers generally will not be required to “mask up” when outdoors and/or participating in active sports or games. Although regulations have eased considerably, there are very few absolutes. We are still dealing with guidelines which contain phrases with words like “probably, mostly, generally, possibly, for the most part”, etc. There are very few “green lights” at this point that would allow a return to complete normalcy at camp. So we will be going with protocols which we know created the safest and most successful situations in camps around the country last summer.

What everyone needs to know regarding COVID for the 2021 summer at SSDC:

- We will provide each camper with an **SSDC Athletic String Backpack**, *pre-labeled with each camper’s name and Bunk # on each bag*. This **stay in camp bag** will be used by campers to carry their water bottle, mask, sunscreen and any other needed items throughout the day from place to place at camp.
- Campers will generally not need to wear masks outdoors. We will respect all decisions regarding the personal choice of campers to wear or not wear face masks. However, face masks are not permitted in the pool area or when in a boat at Lake Daniel.
- Fully vaccinated staff members will generally not be required to wear masks outdoors.
- All campers and staff members will be asked to wear masks on camp buses and vans as per bus company and current PA requirements.
- Campers and staff will be asked to wear masks when entering the dining hall until seated, in rest rooms, in cabins, locker rooms, and when entering any building.
- Daily Health Check Forms
 - Forms provided end of each day for return next camp day
 - Forms provided directly to parents at parent pick up and late care
 - Forms provided by bus counselor to campers upon PM drop off
 - Forms also available as a PDF on our website
 - We expect to have a live online fillable version link for parents as well.

What we are doing here at camp:

- Touchless temperature checks upon arrival or upon boarding camp buses and vans. If a temperature of 100.4 or greater is detected further assessment will be required.
- We will sanitize, using electrostatic sprayers, all indoor spaces at least twice daily.
- High touch equipment will be sanitized after each use.
- Restrooms will be sanitized frequently throughout the camp day.



- Areas such as OCC, Athletics, Aquatics, etc. will have their own sanitizing equipment for more frequent use.
- Hepa air purifiers will be located throughout all indoor spaces to enhance air quality and safety.
- Our schedule will maximize outdoor activities with many indoor activities relocating to tented or shaded areas. Some activities such as gymnastics, computers, Late Night, Arcade and Hampy's Kitchen may not be available during this season.
- We will have **two "Splash Bash Days"** and many other special surprise events brought into camp.
- Camp will be divided into four groups to help promote less interaction as "Cohort groups". Some overlap, such as Little Hoots and Owlets, may exist during some activities throughout the week.
 - Junior Camp Boys
 - Junior Camp Girls
 - Senior Camp Boys and Girls
 - Varsity Camp and CIT/LIT Boys and Girls
- CIT's and LIT's will have options to stay with the CIT/LIT group part time or full time, or be placed in a Varsity Camp bunk for leadership part time. CIT's and LIT's will be contacted by staff to review all of their options during the week of June 7th.

Throughout all of our planning for Summer 2021 we have maintained a clear and specific goal of providing the safest, and most amazing summer camp experience for our campers, staff and extended camp families. We just can't wait to open those camp gates on June 21, welcome everyone, and start the journey together!

Best regards,

Rick & Jacque Blum