



Nature Summer Camp COVID-19 Health and Safety Policies

General

- Reduced capacity of campers.
- Camps will be run in small groups sizes (max 7 children). Rotating groups inside and outside.
- Hand-hygiene stations will be set up at the entrance so that children/ visitors/ staff can clean their hands when they enter.
- Parents will be asked each morning if their child is feeling well or if they have felt sick at all. If not well they will not be permitted in camp.
- Expectations of campers will be clearly stated each morning (ie. discouraging the children from touching their faces or each other, covering your mouth when you cough or sneeze, not touching things, hands to yourself, trying to stay apart from other campers, asking before you do something)
- Where practical a two metre physical distancing rule will be followed and children will be spread out. For younger children maintaining physical distance is less practical and the focus will be on minimizing physical contact.
- A seating plan for each group will be laid out so all campers can sit safely inside, while spaced apart (as well as at picnic tables). They will keep that same seat for the week. These areas will be marked on the floor using tape.
- Campers must remain in their seats and raise their hand should they need more supplies, access their cubby or to use the facilities.
- Camps will access the washrooms through the back door. Tape lines (or painted rocks on ground outside) on the floor will show campers where to stand (physically distant).
- Each camp group will have an assigned washroom.
- Frequent and supervised hand washing (20 seconds) for all campers with warm water and soap, and paper towels.
- When to be handwashing:
 - When they arrive at camp and before they go home
 - Before eating and drinking
 - After using the toilet
 - After sneezing or coughing into hands or tissue

- Whenever hands are visibly dirty
- When moving between different learning environments (e.g., outdoor-indoor transitions).
- After handling common resources/equipment/supplies.
- Hand Sanitizer will be available when hand washing is not.
- Staff will fill campers water bottles with a pitcher in the classroom, campers will not have access to the refill water cooler.
- Individual craft kits will be provided for each camper (basic supplies such as crayons, markers, glue, scissors). No objects or supplies are to be shared.
- Each child will have an individual storage cubby for their lunches and personal items.
- Staff may wear masks and gloves when an activity requires close contact (will have to help campers with crafts).
- Outside time and activities will be increased.
- Our Natural Wood Playground will be open, and used at your own risk. It will not be cleaned.
- Lunches and snacks will be outside in physical distance or they will be staggered between groups.
- If a child shows symptoms while at camp:
 - The child will be immediately separated from the other campers, in a supervised area.
 - Campers' parents or caregiver will be contacted immediately to pick them up.
 - Where possible, staff will maintain a distance of 2 metres from the ill child. If not possible, staff may wear a mask.
 - Children will be provided with tissues to cover their coughs or sneezes. .
 - Once the student is picked up, diligent hand hygiene and cleaning practises will be followed.
 - Parents or caregivers must pick up their child as soon as possible if they are notified their child is ill.
 - Camper's siblings will also be sent home at that time.
- Parents are not permitted to stay at the camp with their children.
- Access to the camp classroom is limited to staff and campers.
- Parents will be kept informed of our policies.

Drop off/ Pick Up

- Hand-hygiene stations will be set up at the entrance, so that children/ staff can clean their hands when they enter.

- Drop off/ pick up will be done outside. Parents are not to enter. Once a child is checked in they will use hand sanitizer/ handwashing and enter the building.
- Parents waiting to drop off/ pick up their child will wait in a physically distant line. Marks on the ground will show where to wait.
- Parents will be asked each morning if they completed a health check with their child and if their child is feeling well or if they have felt sick at all. Signing-in your child into camp is confirmation that the child is not sick and that a health check has been done at home.
- If not well they will not be permitted in camp.
- Pick up - A staff member will be stationed outside of the classroom. When a parent arrives the child will be called outside and checked out.
- A table will be placed outside of the classroom with hand sanitizer. Parents must use hand sanitizer before signing their child out of camp.

Cleaning

- ABNC staff will follow daily cleaning schedules.
- ABNC will ensure “deep” cleaning and disinfecting of the site at least once a day.
- Frequently-touched surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected at least twice a day. These include door knobs, light switches, toilet handles, tables, desks, chairs, keyboards and toys.
- Items that cannot be easily cleaned will not be used (e.g., dress up clothing and stuffed toys).
- All visibly dirty surfaces will be cleaned BEFORE disinfecting.
- All garbage bins will be emptied and cleaned daily. They will have no lids or lids with plastic flaps.
- Hand sanitizer and/or soap and water will be available throughout the building. Sanitizers will be available at entrances to sites. Visitors and staff will be reminded to wash their hands regularly and signs will be posted.
- Common, commercially-available detergents and disinfectant products will be used and instructions on the label will be followed closely.
- Paper hand towels will be provided rather than hand dryers.

Family Responsibilities:

- Parents and caregivers have the responsibility to assess their children before sending them to camp. This includes checking their child for any symptoms including: fever, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat, or sneezing.

- A resource to assist you with your child's health check is <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en>
- Children who show any signs of illness must be kept at home and parents must notify the camp.
- We will require a note from your medical Doctor for any allergies that present in a similar fashion to the symptoms of a cold or flu with coughing/sneezing/running nose/etc
- If family members of the children show any signs of illness the school should be notified, and children must be kept at home.
- Children or family members who have had direct contact with a person that is COVID-19 positive should not attend camp until they have been cleared by a health professional.
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- Campers who have travelled outside of the country within the last 14 days may not attend camp.
- Please pack snacks and lunches that the children can access themselves (easy open containers and packaging) without assistance.
- Pack only necessary items for camp (lunch, hat, water bottle etc).
- Please label your child's water bottle and other personal belongings with their name.