

2021 Blue Mountain Adventure Camp COVID-19 Safety Protocols

In light of COVID-19 pandemic and the reopening of our business, the following policies have been put into place to make our Summer Camp compliant with CDC, State, and ACA (American Camp Association) guidelines & best practices. The below guidelines will be mandatory for all camp staff, interns, and volunteers. The below guidelines will be enforced, where possible per individual, for all of our guests and campers.

General Guidelines to be Enforced throughout Camp Day:

1. Stay Home when not you're not healthy

- a. Staff and campers should stay home if they have recently tested positive for COVID-19, are showing any of the symptoms of COVID-19, or have been in close contact with someone who has had symptoms of COVID-19. Exceptions can be made for vaccinated individuals & our organization will follow the current guidelines of the CDC, outlined in the [CDC Guidance for Operating Youth Camps](#)
- b. Individuals who are showing any symptoms of any communicable illness, will be isolated and sent home.
- c. To encourage parents and campers to stay home when they're sick, experiencing symptoms, or exposed to someone showing symptoms, we are offering credit for any missed days of camp.

2. A mandatory, daily health check will be conducted at the beginning of each day for each camper & staff member.

- a. Parents / guardians of day campers will verify *daily at morning drop-off* that their child is healthy & not experiencing symptoms nor been recently exposed to COVID-19.
- b. Parents / guardians of overnight campers will verify at drop off on Sunday that their child is not experiencing symptoms nor been recently exposed to COVID-19. They will see a nurse for a brief physical after being admitted into camp. A daily health check will be performed by staff for overnight campers.
- c. Staff are confirming they are symptom free & have not been exposed to COVID-19 daily before starting their shift.

3. Social Distancing will be enforced whenever possible

- a. Activities, games, crafts, and curriculum have been adapted to encourage social distancing whenever possible.
- b. When social distancing is not possible, masks will be mandatory for all campers & staff.

4. General hygiene, regular hand washing, & sanitation best practices will be followed and encouraged, camp-wide.

5. **Cloth face masks are mandatory to have on your person at all times.**
 - a. CDC approved face masks are required to be ***with*** all campers & staff at ***all*** times. It's expected that masks be worn *when social distancing is not possible or when inside a building*.
 - i. Exceptions may be made on an individual basis depending on the current guidelines for vaccinated individuals. Exceptions are of the discretion of the Camp Director or Asst. Camp Director.
 - ii. It is an expectation that each camper will supply their own mask and that the mask will go home with the camper, be washed, and come back to camp with them the next day.
 - b. Anyone is welcome to wear a mask at any time if it makes them more comfortable. The camp will not tolerate any shaming or bullying of individuals who chose to do so.
6. **Whenever possible, outside activities will be prioritized and indoor spaces will be avoided**
 - a. Activities, games, crafts, and curriculum have been adapted to happen outdoors.
 - b. The camp will go on rain or shine and campers should expect to stay outside, rain or shine unless it is dangerous for any reason (i.e. thunderstorms)
 - c. When needed, indoor spaces are available for campers to utilize but masks will be mandatory when indoors or when social distancing is not possible.

Camper Drop Off and Pick Up Policies:

1. **Adults dropping off or picking up their kids should not leave their car**
 - a. An employee will retrieve your child from your vehicle or deliver the child to your vehicle directly.
2. **Each child must have passed a daily health check before they can leave their parent / guardian.**
3. **Social distancing will be followed when possible.**
4. **Please plan for a lengthier drop off and pick up experience than normal.**

Blue Mountain will be open to the general public in accordance with CDC and State guidelines. In addition to other practices & policies, the following things are in place resort wide to ensure the safety of all of our guests, staff, visitors, and campers:

- Masks are required for anyone who is not fully vaccinated while indoors
- Social distancing is still encouraged
- Sick individuals are encouraged to stay home
- Appropriate signage throughout the resort informing people on safe COVID-19 practices
- Access to necessary supplies including hand washing and sanitizer
- Cleaning and disinfecting practices throughout the resort

Additional Efforts Blue Mountain is taking to protect their Summer Camp Guests:

- To the extent possible & feasible, camp groups will be formed based on geographical region or outside of camp exposure (ie - children who attend school or sports together)
 - Camp groups will be treated as cohorts during their week at camp.
- Meals provided & our mealtime practices have been modified to follow any CDC, State, and ACA guidelines.
- **Transportation:** Vehicles will be stocked with appropriate supplies for disinfection before and after use. Campers & staff will be required to wear masks while in a vehicle.

Overnight Camp Specifics:

- Tent access will be limited only to individuals who reside in that tent for the week; no outside visitors or parents are permitted in the tents.
- Campers will keep personal belongings organized and separate from that of the other campers unless they are siblings from the same household.
- Tents will be cleaned routinely by tent members & cleaning protocols are in place for tents & all related items between programs.
- **Bathroom Policies:**
 - Bathroom supplies (towels, soap, toothpaste, etc.) will not be shared. Campers are required to bring their own bathroom supplies and a container for toiletries to be stored in a cubby for the duration of camp. Campers are required to keep personal items in their bag or tote and store that bag or tote in a designated area.
 - Campers will follow a shower schedule to limit the number of people using the facilities at one time.

Reporting a Sick Camper:

- If your camper is not healthy enough to attend camp at the standards of the CDC, please email adventurecamp@skibluemt.com or call 484-633-5272.
- If another camper tests positive for COVID-19 during one of the weeks your child is attending camp, you will be contacted with general information. Any personal information will be kept private.

Note for Campers at Higher Risk for Illness or who are Immunocompromised:

- We value the privacy of our campers. If your camper needs special circumstances or requirements due to a higher risk for illness or they are immunocompromised, please reach out to adventurecamp@skibluemt.com **BEFORE** registering for camp to discuss possible modifications or options.

More information about protocols we are following can be found at:

[CDC Guidance for Operating Youth Camps](#)

[ACA Field Guide for Camps](#)

[PA Summer Recreation, Camps, & Pools FAQ](#)