

Circle Square Ranch COVID-19 & General Health Policies and Procedures

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The Ministry of Health does not have COVID-19 Guidance for camps. Circle Square Ranch is working with our local Health Unit to comply with any health related regulations that are applicable to camp. The following policies and procedures are based on current guidance and trends in the province, however they may need to be modified if new guidance is released.

PRECAMP

1. All campers are welcome regardless of their vaccination status. Campers are asked to provide their COVID-19 vaccination status on the health form when registering.
2. Anyone traveling from outside Canada must follow federal and provincial requirements and guidelines for quarantining, screening, and testing prior to camp. Refer to COVID-19 testing guidelines, the federal Quarantine Act (<https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/q-1.1/FullText.html>), and federal travel guidelines (<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid>).
3. Camp staff should be made aware of documented seasonal allergies or pre-existing conditions that are not COVID-19 related (eg: chronic congestion) prior to the camper's arrival at camp.

SIGN IN

1. Please complete the Ontario School & Child Care Screening to determine if your child is well enough to attend camp on the day of overnight camp drop-off, or each morning for day campers. We do not need to see a completed copy of your screening, only contact us if your child does not pass the screening and will be absent. Here is the link to the child care screening tool: <https://www.ontario.ca/school-screening>

In summary, if your child has a fever AND/OR any of the following symptoms below, and these symptoms are new/worsening in the last 24 hours, they must stay home:

- Cough
 - Shortness of breath
 - Decrease or loss of taste and smell
 - Muscle aches or joint pain
 - Extreme tiredness
 - Sore throat
 - Runny or stuffy/congested nose
 - Unresolved headache
 - Pink Eye
 - Abdominal pain accompanied with decreased or no appetite
 - Nausea/ Vomiting Diarrhea (these symptoms must be improving for 48 hours or more)
2. Covid tests are no longer required on the first day of camp for any campers or staff, unless new direction is given to do so by the Health Unit.

DURING CAMP

1. Campers and staff will not be required to wear masks. We are mask-friendly and campers who want to wear a mask are welcome to do so.
2. Campers will be asked to perform frequent hand hygiene.
3. Frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned at least once daily.
4. Reusable equipment will be properly cleaned and disinfected as needed.

MANAGEMENT OF INDIVIDUALS WITH SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 AND OTHER ILLNESSES

1. Pre-existing conditions must be noted before camp begins if they are to be considered as a potential cause for symptoms.
2. The Ontario School & Child Care Screening tool will be used to determine if the camper can remain at camp if they become symptomatic. (See *Sign In* section, point 1 for details).

If a camper does not pass the screening, they will need to be picked up and can return when their fever is gone and symptoms are improving for 24-48 hours.

3. If a camper needs to go home, parents/guardians will be required to pick their camper up as soon as possible.

CAMP DISMISSAL

1. The Brant County Health Unit may decide to close the camp if an outbreak of COVID-19 or other communicable illnesses should occur.
2. Camp dismissal may also be considered if there is insufficient staffing due to isolation requirements from COVID-19 or other communicable illnesses.

CANCELLATION POLICY

1. If the camp is required to reduce enrolment in registration for any reason:

Priority registrations will be determined by date of registration; those who have registered first will retain their session of preference. Once we have reached our weekly capacity for camper/staff onsite, a waitlist will be set up and the applicant will be placed on it. If there are sessions that are not full and that your child is eligible to attend, your registration can be moved to one of those sessions.

2. In the event a camp session is cancelled for any reason, the camp will issue a refund for the value of the fees of the unexpired term.

3. If parent/guardian/participant chooses to withdraw their camp registration, regular cancellation policies WILL BE in effect:

Day Camp Cancellation Policy: If you cancel more than three weeks prior to the start of camp, you will receive a full refund less a \$30/week administration fee.

Overnight Camp Cancellation Policy: If you cancel more than two weeks prior to the start of camp, you will receive a full refund less a \$75/week administration fee.

All Camps: If a cancellation occurs after the cut-off dates listed above, you will get NO REFUND except for medical reasons with a note from a doctor. In that case, you will get a full refund less the administration fee. No refund will be made for dismissals due to disciplinary action, late arrivals, early departures, or failure to meet or agree with COVID procedures listed here. If a child/participant is unwell while at camp and it is determined that withdrawal from camp is required, the camp will credit the family the value of fees for the unexpired term. Depending on availability, the family can use their credit to rebook the child in an alternate session when they are back to full health.