

Circle Square Ranch COVID-19
Overnight Camp Policies and Procedures DRAFT – Updated June 22, 2021

We're so excited to have you at camp this summer. The Ministry of Health has created a COVID-19 Guidance for Overnight Camps which directs how we are able to operate. The following policies and procedures have been developed with the safety of our campers and staff team in mind, and in compliance with the requirements mandated by the Ministry of Health. Please take the time to read through each item carefully as parents/guardians will be required to sign that you have; read the policies and procedures and understand that they will be followed during camp.

PRECAMP

1. All eligible campers are encouraged to receive COVID-19 vaccination as soon as possible, and at the earliest opportunity before camp starts.
2. Campers and staff are to limit their exposures (ie: reduce the chances of becoming infected by limiting contact with individuals outside of their immediate household) to the greatest extent possible 14 days prior to arrival at camp and provide the camp with a written attestation indicating they have taken all reasonable measures to limit their exposures for the 14 days prior to their arrival. You will be provided with an online attestation as part of your sign-in package.
3. Parents are asked to monitor their child's health for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days in advance of arrival at camp.
4. Campers must get a PCR test before arriving at camp adhering to one of the following timelines:
 - PCR test within 72 hours (3 days) of their arrival at camp
 - PCR test within 7 days of their arrival at camp and a rapid test (provided by Circle Square Ranch) as part of sign-in. Please anticipate an additional 15 minutes during sign in to complete rapid test.

Proof of negative test results will be required to attend camp. The Ministry of Health has made asymptomatic pre-camp PCR testing available for children attending child-care facilities or attending camp at an overnight camp facility. Details regarding the availability of this testing can be found [here](https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/drugs/opdp_eo/notices/exec_office_20210531.pdf)

https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/drugs/opdp_eo/notices/exec_office_20210531.pdf Children aged 13 and under are tested with a cheek swab and 1cm insertion in each nostril. *Please note: we cannot predict how long it will take you to get your PCR test results, so please ensure you have enough time to get your results back before your scheduled arrival.*

5. 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 (https://health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/docs/2019_testing_guidance), 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>).

6. Campers or staff who are symptomatic prior to camp and are unable to arrive on the scheduled day, may enter the camp if they: have proof of a negative PCR COVID-19 test conducted within 72 hours of the arrival to camp; are symptoms free for at least 24 hours; have not been directed by public health to self-isolate; and have had no contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days.

7. 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.

ARRIVAL AT CAMP

1. Parents/guardians will be asked to complete and submit an online COVID-19 screening (based on the school and childcare screening tool (<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>) for the camper **on arrival day**. If the camper fails the screening, the camper may not attend camp, and should follow the advice of the screening tool.

2. Anyone entering the camp will be actively screened upon arrival.

- If arriving at camp during designated drop off and pick up times please follow the instructions included in your camp confirmation
- If arriving at camp at an alternate time, please be prepared to remain in your vehicle until a Circle Square Ranch staff member can perform screening check. You will be required to call the posted phone number and wait in your vehicle until staff are available.

SIGN IN

1. Circle Square Ranch has new “curb-side” sign-in procedures to comply with COVID-19 regulations. These include:

- Assigned sign in times
- Staggered drive-thru sign-in stations (details will be provided in camp confirmation package)

2. A signed attestation as referenced in Precamp item #2, and proof of negative PCR test as referenced in Precamp item #4

3. Only campers will be permitted to exit vehicles during sign-in and sign-out. (There will be a designated and separate parking area where parents may exit their vehicles to say good-bye).

4. All medications are to be handed to camp nurse (please see camp confirmation package for details).

- Medications that are to be given daily should be in a blister pack (many pharmacies will create these free of charge) or a clearly labelled pill box organizer. If you bring a pill box organizer, please also bring the original medication containers for check in. Original containers can be taken home with the parent after checking medications in with the nurse. Please print, complete, and bring the “Routine Medication MAR” form included in your information pack for these medications.

- Medications that are to be given as needed (PRN) must be labeled, and have written instructions regarding administration. Please list which symptoms the medication is to be given for, and indicate if medication can be given as per label directions. Please print, complete, and bring the “PRN Medication MAR” form included in your information pack for these medications.

5. Overnight campers will have a lice check during sign-in. Campers with lice or nits will need to return home to remove all lice and nits before being allowed to return to camp. (Historically we have had space to do lice treatments at camp, however this will not be possible this year). While we understand that not all nits are “live” there is no way for us to determine if a nit is live or not, and as such no nits may be present. Parents will be required to indicate they have read and understand our lice policy as part of your sign in package.

6. All money for your campers Tuck Shop purchases must be pre-paid before arrival at camp (please see confirmation package for details on how to do this).

DURING CAMP

1. Campers will be assigned to cohorts. Each cohort will consist of the members of each cabin and will be approximately 10 campers in size (all cabins are being used at 50% capacity to allow for additional space between occupied bunks).

2. Each cabin will have a counselor assigned to it. The counselor will wear a mask at all times when sharing indoor space with their campers. The counsellor will sleep in an adjoining space (with an open door between rooms) but will not sleep in the same room as the campers.

3. Cohorts may share bathroom accommodations; however cohorts will not use bathrooms at the same time.

4. Campers will eat and participate in daily programming in cohorts.

5. Cohorts will not mix.

6. Cohorts will follow all social distancing and masking requirements are outlined by the Ministry of Health COVID-19 Guidance for Overnight Camps and Outdoor Education Centres.

7. Physical distancing between cohorts will be encouraged by spreading cohorts into different areas, staggering routines to reduce the number of people in common areas.

8. Campers will be asked to perform frequent hand hygiene.

9. Alcohol based hand sanitizer will be available throughout camp.

10. Frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned at least twice daily.

11. Reusable equipment will be properly cleaned and disinfected between use.

12. Mask requirements for campers and staff include:

- Wearing a mask when indoors with individuals who are not part of their cohort (this will include their counselor)
- Wearing a mask when outdoors if social distancing cannot be maintained between cohorts (ie: when staff are required to be within 2m of campers for instruction purposes)
- Campers are required to bring ample masks for their stay at camp (2 non-medical masks/day or 3 disposable masks/day)
- Disposable masks will be available for purchase (at cost) for campers who need more masks while at camp, the charge will be made to the credit card on file.

13. Daily screening of campers and staff for COVID-19 symptoms. Rapid tests (supervised, self-administered nose swab) will be taken by all overnight campers on Wednesday.

MANAGEMENT OF INDIVIDUALS WITH SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

1. Campers will be made aware of how to identify symptoms of COVID-19 and be instructed to speak to a staff member if they fell ill.

2. Persons who become ill will be isolated and parents/guardians will be made aware of symptoms. The COVID-19 School and Child Care Screening tool will be used to determine if camper can remain at camp.

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

4. Camper will be given a rapid test by camp staff.

5. Campers who go home due to COVID-19 symptoms are asked to have a PCR screening test and report the results to Circle Square Ranch.

6. In order to return to camp, camper will need a negative PCR test, be fever-free, their symptoms improving for at least 24 hours, and they have been directed by the local public health unit or their health care provide to end self-isolation.

7. Confirmed, probable, or suspected cases of COVID-19 symptoms will not be able to remain at camp for self-isolation period.

CAMP DISMISSAL

1. The decision may need to be made to close the camp if an outbreak of COVID-19 should occur.

2. Camp dismissal may also be considered if there is insufficient staffing due to a COVID-19 isolation requirements, or a COVID-19 outbreak.