

DISCOVERY WORLD SUMMER CAMP

OPERATING PLAN 2022

The staff of Discovery World will be working hard to ensure that our camps are as safe of spaces as they can be. You and your camper(s) also have a role in protecting not only yourselves, but everyone else in the camp from transmission of communicable diseases such as COVID-19.

The purpose of this document is to inform you of the safety measures that the summer camp program is taking to reduce the spread of COVID-19. All staff, campers, and camp families are required to follow the procedures outlined in this document.

Discovery World's Summer Camp Operating Plan is based on guidance from public health officials, recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American Camp Association (ACA), and best practices shared by our peer organizations at the Association of Science and Technology Centers (ASTC).

Discovery World reserves the right to modify or omit activities without notice in order to maintain the safety of guests and staff.

OVERVIEW:

- All campers and staff will wear face masks/coverings indoors and while in classrooms, regardless of vaccination status
- Discovery World will provide hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol content or greater throughout the facility
- All staff and campers will be asked to complete daily health screenings prior to coming to Discovery World
 - Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will not be permitted in the building
- Drop-off and pick-up procedures have been modified to be no-contact
- Camp rooms and activities have been modified to allow for social distancing and reduction of shared materials
- Increased cleaning procedures throughout Discovery World
- Sanitation of supplies between use
- Staff training on cleaning and social distancing techniques
- Campers will adhere to social distancing practices as well as wearing face masks/coverings
 - If a camp participant doesn't follow rules surrounding social distancing and face masks/coverings:
 - The first time, a camper will receive a warning from summer camp staff
 - The second time, a phone call to the camper's caregiver will be made
 - Discovery World reserves the right to remove a camper from the summer camp program in the event they do not adhere to social distancing and face mask/covering usage

PART 1: CLEANING PROCEDURES

Labs are the primary location for camper/camper and camper/staff interactions. Each lab space has a checklist of clean-up procedures that must be followed, ranging from pushing in of chairs to specialized equipment clean up. In addition to the standard cleaning procedures,

- Lab surfaces will be cleaned multiple times each day
- Gloves will be worn while cleaning and wiping down surfaces
- Equipment used by campers will be wiped down/disinfected between uses

PART 2: CAMP OPERATIONS

Camp Activities

- There will be reduced direct partner and group activities
- Activities have been modified to reduce or remove direct touching or close proximity of campers to each other
- There are reduced food-based activities
- Guest speakers will be limited to virtual experiences. Field trips will be to select locations or excursions on the Discovery World campus or the adjoining park, Lakeshore State Park

Supplies

- Minimize shared supplies or equipment as much as possible
 - Shared supplies or equipment items will be sanitized or disinfected between uses
- Supplies may be provided to campers through supply “kits” and used at individual workstations. For example, a cup with a marker, pencil, scissors, glue stick, and needed supplies for the first day’s activity could be placed out in the morning.

Bathroom Use

- Discovery World bathrooms are now touchless
 - Doors will be propped open
 - Sinks and flushes are automated
 - Hand sanitizer should be used on the way in
 - Wash hands before leaving the bathroom

Lunch

- Campers must clean their hands before and after lunch and snack times
- Lunch tables will have markings indicating allowable places to sit per social distancing guidelines
 - Campers will store their belongings in the lunchroom. Each camp will have a designated shelf space for belongings.
 - This area will be closed to the public
- Bottles of water will be made available to camp participants
- Children may bring a filled, reusable water bottle

Recess

- Recess will be moved to the grassy area north of Discovery World
- Staff will use cones to show the perimeters of the recess area

- Campers may play non-contact games or can engage in individual quiet time
- Campers are encouraged to adhere to social distancing practices

Snack

- Each camper will clean hands with hand sanitizer before receiving a snack, after eating, and before playing games.
- Staff will distribute snacks while using PPE including face mask/covering and gloves
- Each snack provided will be individually wrapped
- Staff will bring trash receptacles to the recess area
- In case of rain, snack will be served in the classrooms

PART 3: ARRIVAL, DISMISSAL, EXTENDED CARE

Check-In

- Contact-free check-in
 - The week prior to camp, families will receive an email from the Summer Camp Manager containing information needed for the next week of camp
 - In the event that you have questions about your child's week of camp, please **email** the Summer Camp Team at summercamp@discoveryworld.org
 - Please stay in the car during morning drop-off
 - Summer Camp staff will come to your vehicle to check in your child
- Campers will store belongings in the lunchroom. Each camp will have a designated shelf space for belongings
 - Please note that campers may not bring personal belongings into the labs, except for a water bottle or medical device(s)/medication(s)
- Campers will receive a disposable name tag each day

Pick-Up

- Campers will return to the lunchroom to gather belongings before going to the pick-up area
- Families are encouraged to limit the number of people picking up a child throughout the week
- Campers will be seated outdoors during the pick-up process, except in the case of inclement weather
- Families will be provided with a window tag for the name(s) of their camper(s), to be used during pick-up. Please place this tag on the dashboard **and** show your ID to the summer camp staff during pick-up
 - Please stay in your vehicle during the pick-up process

Before Care

- Only adults that signed up their camper ahead of time for Before Care will be accepted
- Campers must already be wearing a face mask when leaving their car
- Adults also must wear a face mask if leaving their vehicle or dropping off their camper on-foot
- Recommend one adult as the designated pick-up and drop-off individual for camp

After Care

- Parents **MUST** sign up for after-care 24 hours in advance

- If campers are not picked up on time, there will be a fine for unregistered aftercare participation
- Adults will remain in their vehicle during pick-up from after-care
- Adults picking up on foot must wear a facemask
- After care will be held on the northwest side of the building
 - Caregivers picking up from after care should pick up from the front circle drive.

PART 4: ILLNESS PREVENTION

Personal Hygiene Guidelines and Actions

Discovery World recommends that all camp families adopt regular personal hygiene strategies, including but not limited to:

- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water
 - Wash for at least 20 seconds, and ensure all areas of the hands, fingers, and wrists are covered
- Use hand sanitizer periodically when hand washing with soap and water is not possible
- Campers should refrain from touching their face
- Refrain from shaking hands with or touching others
- Cover coughs and sneezes with tissues or the corner of your elbow – not hands
- Dispose of soiled tissues immediately after use in appropriate containers

Social Distancing Guidelines and Actions

Discovery World will require that campers practice social distancing whenever safely possible. Social distancing includes maintaining at least 3-feet of space between yourself and others and limiting contact with others as much as possible.

The concept of social distancing involves more than just 3-feet of space. Social distancing also means avoiding contact with high numbers of people. Reducing contact to as few people as possible is an important part of social distancing.

Discovery World will require that campers adhere to the following social distancing guidelines:

- 3-foot spacing between you and others
- Avoid physical touching of others (handshakes, fist bumps, etc.)
- Refrain from gathering close to others

Symptoms and Illness

Common symptoms of COVID-19 have been identified as including the below. Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure:

- Dry Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fever
- Chills
- Muscle pain and aches
- Tiredness / Exhaustion
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- New Loss of Taste or Smell

- Nasal Congestion
- Runny Nose
- Diarrhea

PART 5: SYMPTOMS AND KNOWN OR SUSPECTED ILLNESS

Camper Health Assessment

Campers must ensure they are in good health when onsite. Discovery World requires that caregivers engage in two (2) activities each day to ensure that their camper is fit and healthy.

BEFORE attending camp each day, you must complete a temperature check and a daily health assessment.

1. Daily Temperature Check
 - a. Non-vaccinated campers will be required to have their temperature taken prior to arriving at Discovery World. If a camper has a temperature of 100.4°F or higher, you must keep your child at home that day. Your child will not be able to return to camp until:
 - i. 24 hours since the resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing therapies or medications, AND
 - ii. A negative COVID test or a note from a doctor indicating they do not have any known illness.
 - b. Discovery World reserves the right to screen camp participants and staff for symptoms of COVID-19, including taking temperature with a contactless thermometer. If a child's temperature is 100.4°F or higher, they will need to be picked up from Discovery World within an hour. In this case, campers will remain in an isolation area or outdoors while they wait for transportation. Thermometers will be disinfected after every use.
2. Daily Self-Assessment

Please ask yourself and your child the following four questions each day:

 - a. Do you have symptoms of fever, cough, chills, shortness of breath, a sore throat, or new loss of taste or smell?
 - b. Have you had close contact* in the last fourteen (14) days with an individual diagnosed with COVID-19 or currently being tested?
 - c. Do others in your household have COVID-19 symptoms?
 - d. Have you travelled on an airplane internationally or domestically in the last fourteen (14) days?

*Close contact is defined as less than 6 feet away from an infected person for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period.

Families should review each of these questions prior to arriving at Discovery World. If the answers to each of these questions is **"No"**, the camper may come to camp. If the answer to any of the questions above is **"Yes"**, the family must immediately notify the Summer Camp Manager and wait for additional instruction.

Response Plan for Confirmed Positive of Coronavirus for Summer Camp

Discovery World has a response plan in place for instances of confirmed positive cases of coronavirus.

Campers will not be able to continue at camp until after **all of the following have occurred:**

1. At least 24 hours since the resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing therapies or medications
2. Improvement of symptoms
3. At least five (5) full days have passed since the symptoms first appeared

Discovery World will conduct contact tracing to determine individuals that came into “close contact” with him/her while in camp. Discovery World will use its best judgement in determining who from the list is at greatest risk and will be responsible for contacting those individuals.

Discovery World will be mindful of the camp family’s privacy and confidentiality when communicating to at-risk individuals. Names will not be used in this communication. Discovery World will generally share that an individual they may have come into contact with recently has tested positive, or a member in their household has tested positive, for COVID-19. Any non-vaccinated camper or staff member who came in “close contact” with the confirmed case will be sent home from camp for a 5-day period.

Response Plan for Probable Case(s) for Campers

While we understand that COVID-19 symptoms are shared with many other illnesses, Discovery World must ensure the safety of the campers, staff and guests in the building.

Non-vaccinated campers should report all illnesses immediately to Discovery World staff members. Non-vaccinated campers who report illness symptoms will be asked to leave camp immediately and caregivers will be required to pick up their child within one (1) hour. Campers will wait in an isolated area or outdoors, with a Summer Camp Staff member, until their caregiver arrives to pick them up.

For symptoms of COVID-19 without Diagnosis, a camper may return after each of the following have occurred:

1. At least 24 hours since the resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing therapies or medications
2. A negative COVID test or a doctor’s note clearing you to return to camp

If you are unable to obtain a doctor’s note, you will be required to complete a 5-day self-isolation period from the first sign of symptoms.

If a non-vaccinated camper or someone in his or her immediate household has tested positive for the COVID-19 virus, the camper **may not** come to camp. Non-vaccinated campers with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 will not be allowed to return to Discovery World until the end of the 5-day self-isolation period from the last date of exposure.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have been provided with Discovery World’s policies, requirements, and guidelines for hygiene, cleaning, and protective measures intended to mitigate the risk of exposure to COVID-19 at camp, including the following:

- Social distancing of at least 3 feet, whenever instructed to do so by summer camp staff.
- Wearing required protective masks/face coverings indoors, at all times.
- Etiquette for covering coughs and sneezes.
- Hand-washing frequency.

- Disinfecting and sanitizing surfaces, tools and equipment.
- Procedures for COVID-19 confirmed and probable cases
- Procedures for coming in close contact with a COVID-19 confirmed patient

I agree to abide by Discovery World's policies, requirements, and guidelines at all times. I recognize these measures are intended to protect me and others from the risk of exposure to COVID-19, as well as anyone I may come into contact with. I understand that I am responsible for notifying the Organization in the event I experience symptoms or received a positive diagnosis, have had direct contact with someone else experiencing symptoms/received a positive diagnosis, and agree to provide accurate and honest information.

If I have any questions or concerns regarding Discovery World protective measures or my ability to attend camp, I will contact the Summer Camp Manager.

Guardian Signature:

Print Name _____ Date: _____