

COVID-19 Response:

Deerassic Park Education Center, as always, is committed to the safety and well-being of all our campers, guests and staff. The COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic has created a lot of uncertainty in the world, but rest assured our team here at Deerassic is working hard to update our guests, improve our processes and make the best of this situation. We are following the guidance of the CDC, State Government, and Guernsey County Health Department. We have thoroughly reviewed and updated our cleaning and disinfecting procedures to ensure the safety of all camp guests, across every program. This includes increased cleanings and intentional program revisions to emphasize good hygiene. Below is a list of mandatory and best recommended practices for 2020 camps:

Mandatory

- All Deerassic Park staff will be required to wear masks at all times while indoors and encouraged outdoors.
- All Deerassic Park staff will be required to perform daily symptom assessment, and Deerassic must check each staff member's temperature prior to the work day.
- All campers/parents will be emailed ahead of time after signing up which includes forms that need to be filled out ahead of time. To prevent unnecessary printing and cause of spread of COVID-19, we ask that all parents please fill these forms out electronically and send them back via email PRIOR to the first day of camp. Campers without completed forms will be sent home.
- Upon arrival each day, each camper will be greeted outside by one staff member in front of the new education complex to be checked with a touch-less thermometer before entering the building.
- If any individual, staff or camper, has a fever of 100 degrees or higher, they may not enter the facility. This individual may not return until they are fever free for 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medication. If the individual has had contact with someone confirmed or probable to have COVID-19, he or she must complete isolation or quarantine procedures in coordination with the local health department prior to returning to the program.
- All parents/guardians will not be permitted into the building during drop off or pick up.
- Campers will be then sent straight to the restroom to wash their hands.
- Campers and staff will wash their hands at the beginning of each day, every time after breaks, after returning from outside, after using the restroom, before and after eating, and at the end of each day before exiting the building.
- All areas used during the day, and any equipment will be deeply sanitized after each camp day.
- While indoors, campers will be given at least 35 square feet of space whenever possible.
- For group meetings, lunch or any other time campers are not conducting camp activities; they will be spread out in our giant classroom and each have their own table with at least 35 sq. ft. of social distancing space.
- For sleeping arrangements, all campers and staff will provide their own sleeping linens (pillow, sleeping bag, etc.) and all campers and staff will maintain 35 sq. ft. of social distancing space in the sleeping quarters.
- All activities throughout the week will be conducted outside in open environments where campers and staff will still practice social distancing.
- If activities must be moved indoors due to weather, activities will be split up like stations in separate rooms with adequate social distancing space and follow the above guidelines for staff to child ratios.
- All staff will take extra precautions when serving lunch. Staff already normally used proper serving gloves and head nets. In addition, staff will also wear masks, be asked to wash their hands more frequently during food prep, and be extra cautious during all food prep and serving times.
- For pick up, one staff member will be outside to operate pick up and make sure each camper gets back to his/her parent/guardian's vehicle safely.
- Deerassic Park must immediately notify the Department of Job and Family Services in writing if a child or employee test positive for COVID-19.

- Immediately isolate and seek medical care for any individual who develops symptoms while at Deerassic Park.
- Deerassic will then shutdown the area for deep sanitation.

Recommended Best Practices

- Campers are encouraged to wear masks throughout the day but not required. (Wearing a mask during physical activity can make it hard for children to breathe and accomplish the task at hand. If you do not feel comfortable with your child not wearing a mask during these activities, we suggest not signing them up for camp.)
- Parents/guardians should, when safe to do so, wear a mask for pick up and drop off.
- Parents/guardians should try to park spread out in the parking lot if whenever possible.
- Campers should limit the use of personal items from home during the camp day. If personal items are necessary, they should remain stored in a backpack or other storage bin, be used solely by the camper, and return home daily.

Stay safe, stay healthy and we can't wait to see you at Deerassic very soon!