

Important Health and Wellness Safety Information for Learning Lab

Great Lakes Science Center will be taking the following precautions in order to create a safe and healthy environment for students, staff and their respective families. We understand that many of these will be new experiences for students and we will be continually working with them to teach proper protocol and methods.

Based on state and federal guidelines, all staff members, volunteers, guests, students, and contractors are required to adhere to established guidelines for personal hygiene and PPE. These guidelines are mandatory and subject to change based on the evolving pandemic and established protocols.

- 1. Facial coverings are required for all staff, volunteers, and students
 - a. Facial coverings must be worn at all times unless there are indicated health limitations, in the event of over-heating, or when eating/sleeping. In these cases, facial coverings may be removed.
 - b. Hand-washing/sanitization should be done prior to removing or putting on facial coverings.
 - c. We realize that some students may have difficulty keeping their face masks on at all times. Every effort will be made to teach them the importance of doing so. When only absolutely necessary, staff or volunteers may step in and remove a student from the classroom for failing to adhere to these guidelines. If this becomes problematic and students continually refuse to wear their facial coverings, parents will be contacted and asked to remove their child from Learning Lab.
- 2. All employees are expected to do a self-evaluation prior to coming in to work to determine if they are "fit for duty".
- 3. Employees and students are required to maintain good hygiene including frequent handwashing and sanitization, and social distancing at all times.
- 4. Students are pre-scheduled into groups to follow current state guidelines around social distancing. They will remain in the same classroom with the same educator and group for the day and must maintain at least 6 feet of personal space at all times.
- 5. Students, staff, and volunteers are expected to wash their hands with soap and water throughout the day, including but not limited to:
 - a. Immediately upon entering the building
 - b. Before and after breaks including lunch/recess
 - c. After using the restroom
 - d. Before and after putting on or removing facial coverings
 - e. As needed throughout the day
 - f. Before exiting the building at the end of the day

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- 6. Temperature checks will occur in the security office for team members arriving for their shift and in the vehicles for students being dropped off. Anyone with a fever will be denied access.
- 7. Campers that bring lunches or other items from home must store those items in their designated bin for the week and all items, unless necessary should remain in their bag at all times.
- 8. Physical spaces must be cleaned throughout the day, including wiping with disinfectants when possible. Nightly fogging will occur in all classroom spaces.

Facial covering guidelines:

Do's and Do NOT's of wearing a facial covering

Do	Do NOT
✓ Ensure the facial covering fits snugly but is comfortable	✗ Touch the mask while wearing it
✓ Make sure your nose, mouth, and chin are covered at all times	Allow the mask to slip under your nose or untie straps/unhook ear loops
✓ Wash your hands before putting on or removing your mask	Touch your eyes, nose, or mouth when removing facial covering
✓ Launder after each use	Wear a wet mask from laundering, sweat, spit, or mucous

https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/checklists/english-checklists/clothfacecoveringscovid-19-checklist

For your knowledge, we've included instructions for how to properly put on and take off a face mask. Please practice this with your child before arriving for camp.

Putting on a face mask.

1. Thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water for no less than 20 seconds. If hand washing is not an option, an alcohol-based hand sanitizer is a good alternative.





- 2. Inspect it for cleanliness or defects in the integrity. If there are holes or the mask is unsatisfactory, disposable masks will be made available to ensure the health and well-being of everyone.
- 3. Determine which side of the mask is the top. Many masks have a "bridge", or stiff, yet bendable edge which molds to your nose.
- 4. Determine which side of the mask is the inside, or the side that will be touching your face.
- 5. Holding the mask by the ear loops or ties, bring the mask to your face and lay it gently over your nose, mouth, and chin. In the case of ear loops, place them around each of your ears. Ties should be tied over the crown of your head and in a bow tie. The second, lower tie, should be tied in a bow at the nape of your neck.
- 6. Mold or pinch the bridge to the shape of your nose.
- 7. Be sure that the mask is comfortable to wear and not too tight or loose.

Removing a face mask:

- 1. Thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water for no less than 20 seconds. If hand washing is not an option, an alcohol-based hand sanitizer is a good alternative.
- 2. Holding the mask by the ear loops or ties, gently remove from ears or untie starting with the tie on the nape of the neck.
- **3.** Gently pull facial covering away from your face.
- 4. Discard or launder facial covering.
- 5. Thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water for no less than 20 seconds. If hand washing is not an option, an alcohol-based hand sanitizer is a good alternative.

For a more detailed list of protocols established and current guidelines established by the state of Ohio, visit <u>www.coronavirus.ohio/gov</u>

