

Dear Camp Boggy Creek families,

First, we hope you and your family are doing well and taking care of yourselves. You are part of the Camp Boggy Creek family, and your safety and health matter greatly to us. As we navigate the ever-changing landscape of the pandemic, we remain committed to connecting with your family and delivering the joy of camp in alternative methods.

Our summer virtual camp, **Beyond the Gates**, has concluded, and we are in the midst of planning for fall and want to provide an update regarding our upcoming family retreat season. In light of the recent increase of COVID-19 cases in Florida as well as many of our medical volunteers once again being immersed with their own hospitals and medical facilities, we feel it is best to suspend our traditional weekend family retreat programs.

We know this is disappointing, but rest assured, the sense of belonging, friendships, and joy associated with camp will not disappear! Our retreats will be provided as virtual programs through Beyond the Gates: Family Retreat Weekends.

The program will offer the same fun and community of on-site retreats, yet happening at families' own homes via the internet. There will be live interactions with other families, Camp staff, and Camp volunteers through video calls including activities, music, singing, and dancing. Camp will send you a schedule of video calls and activities and an activity packet to help you prepare for your virtual family weekend at home. As always with our family retreats, these Beyond the Gates: Family Retreat Weekends are for your entire family to participate together – parents/guardians and kids. You will need internet access to participate in these virtual family retreat weekends.

We realize this may not be the news your family was hoping to hear, but please know our staff and volunteers are excited and look forward to your participation!

We invite your family to apply for the virtual retreat your camper qualifies for.

We hope you will join in the fun this fall during our **Beyond the Gates**: Family Retreat Weekends as we continue our adventures together!