Boating in Boston Camp

Covid-19 Safety Guidelines

Parents/Guardians

Below are additional guidelines that Boating in Boston will be implementing for our Summer 2021 camps. These new guidelines are in line with the Massachusetts Child and Youth Serving Programs Reopen Approach Minimum guidelines for Health and Safety Issued on May 29, 2021. Our staff has reviewed these guidelines and have made the proper adjustments and modifications to our camp programs to ensure that your child will be safe while still enjoying camp.

The updates on the following pages should be considered in addition to the Camp Parent Handbook that is provided in a separate document. We understand that you may have additional questions or concerns about how camp will operate. A link to the states guidelines can be found <u>HERE</u>

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Director of Camp Programs at: corey.guerra@guestservices.com

Camp Changes

In order to meet the state guidelines there have been several changes to how we will be operating this summer. Each action is to ensure the safety and security of staff and campers.

<u>Masks Requirements</u> - The State guidelines outline that Campers do not need to wear masks when outdoors. We will be encouraging but not requiring masks for campers. However we are asking parents to provide a mask with their campers each day. If there is a weather emergency and we need to be inside for shelter masks will be required of all campers.

<u>Training</u> - All staff will be trained with information about COVID-19, including how the illness is spread, how to prevent its spread, symptoms, and when to seek medical assistance for sick children or employees.

Staff will also be trained on proper hand washing and hygiene protocols. In addition, they will follow a schedule on proper sanitation of items after use. These will include but are not limited to, cleaning of boats, paddles, and camp common areas.

<u>Group sizes/ratios/cohorts</u> - Camper groups will be limited to no more than 6 campers per counselor. This is to reduce the number of campers in a group and to make the additional requirements more manageable for staff.

In addition to ratios, campers will be kept in cohorts for the week. This means that they will have the same counselor with them during their camp experience. All staff will be trained to deliver paddling and sailing to the campers.

<u>Hand washing/sanitizer</u> - Campers and staff will be encouraged to wash their hands and/or use hand sanitizer whenever possible. These are the following times campers will be asked to sanitize.

- At drop off when they arrive to camp
- Before heading out on the water
- When returning from the water
- Before and after eating;
- After sneezing, coughing or nose blowing;
- After using any shared equipment

Pre Camp

Before your child comes to camp, we ask that you look at these additional guidelines before you arrive.

Please make sure that you self screen your child for any Covid-19 symptoms and if your child does exhibit any symptoms, please keep them home. We also ask that your camper washes their hands before arriving to camp

What to bring - These items are in addition to what is already listed for your camper to bring to camp

- Face Masks We suggest at least two per camper incase one does get wet or dirty
- Hand Sanitizer There will be hand sanitizer at each site but having each camper with their own help keep social distancing.

At Camp

<u>Belongings</u> - After drop off campers will be assigned a designated spot to place their belongings. This area will be spaced out to ensure proper social distancing. Campers will be asked to keep their belongings in that spot for the remainder of the day.

Before on the Water

<u>Groups</u> - Campers will remain in the same group during their time at camp. In addition, siblings will be placed in the same group unless the age/skill level make it difficult. Camp directors will

make every effort to honor group requests. Campers will also have the same counselor for the week.

On the Water

When we are on the water, staff will make sure campers maintain proper social distancing. Games and skills that require close proximity will be changed or eliminated. Campers will not be required to wear masks on the water

Lunch and End of the Day

When we are off of the water (lunch and end of day) campers will be encouraged to maintain social distancing. They will eat their lunch in their designated spots and any games/activities that cannot keep proper procedures will be changed/eliminated.

Pick Up

Please follow the same procedures for pick up as stated in the parent handbook. We still ask that you remain in your car at all times. Also, please make sure that you have notified the camp directors of who is approved to pick up your camper.

Other Items

<u>Monitoring of campers</u> - Camp staff and directors will monitor campers throughout the day for Covid-19 symptoms. If a camper appears to be exhibiting signs or symptoms, they will be separated from the group and isolated until they are able to be picked up.

<u>Reporting symptoms</u> - If your camper exhibits any signs or symptoms please notify the Director of Camp Programs <u>corey.guerra@guestservices.com</u>

<u>Exposure or testing Positive</u> - If a camper or staff member is exposed to a sick or symptomatic person or tests positive for Covid-19 families and staff will be notified but we will maintain confidentiality.