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Hello 2020 Arrowbear Campers and Parents/ Guardians,

We hope everyone is having a nice evening and hanging in there despite our current circumstances.

We spoke with a few camp parents this afternoon who missed our last email update. We want to make sure all of our Arrowbear families are aware of what is going on with camp and have access to our information. Therefore, we will be sending a weekly email using our camp software (as opposed to MailChimp, which, depending on your email service, can easily be sent directly to SPAM or trash). Each weekly email will give current updates and information as well as bullet points from earlier communication. If you miss an email, you can catch the information in the next one.

We have a small resource page on our website with fun ways to pass the time, plus links to information about talking with your kids about coronavirus.

Resource Page: <https://www.arrowbear.com/resources-for-stay-at-home-time>

Answers to your questions:

1. Will camp operate this summer?

The honest answer is that we do not know. We certainly hope it will be safe to run our sessions and are still planning, prepping, and staffing so camp will be prepared. A final decision will be made 30 days in advance of each session.

2. How will the decision be made?

If clearance to operate is given from state and county officials, we will then work closely with our local health department to assess the safety of our particular facilities and programming.

Last week there was a meeting between The American Camp Association, CDC, FEMA, Association of Camp Nursing, and American Academy of Pediatrics. This group is putting together recommendations for summer camps regarding the COVID-19 impact. Once these guidelines are released, we will have a better picture of what our immediate future holds.

Links:

San Bernardino Department of Public Health: <http://wp.sbcounty.gov/dph/>

American Camp Association: <https://www.acacamps.org>

Association of Camp Nursing: <https://campnurse.org>

3. If camp is canceled, will I receive a refund?

Yes, we will offer full refunds for all campers who enrolled before the end of April.

For those who enroll after April, we are considering keeping a \$10 deposit to cover a few admin costs. This information will be added to the sign-up process.

4. When will I receive my Camp Welcome Letter and Health Form?

In order to make sure we have included all information regarding any changes related to the COVID-19 impact, camp information and health form will not be sent until we have clearance for operation.

5. Arrowbear is my home away from home. If camp is canceled will you open again for future seasons? We absolutely LOVE running Arrowbear and understand it is an important part of many lives. Creating a space for music education and bonding friendships is truly a dream for us. Our intensions are to keep the camp open and we will do EVERYTHING possible to make sure Arrowbear continues for future generations.

We will be in touch next Wednesday.

Thank you and stay safe everyone!

Larke- Camp Manager

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Dennis- Camp Director