



Camp Carew

303 Hidden Bay Lane
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Dear Parents,

First and foremost, we hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy. We have received questions from parents about if and how COVID-19 will affect Camp Carew. We know this pandemic has been stressful to many and recognize that socializing and interacting with peers can be a healthy way for children to cope with stress and connect with others, particularly after spending quite a bit of time at home. After careful thought and planning, we are excited to let you know that we plan to resume camp while following CDC considerations to protect campers, families, and our community.

The health and safety of our campers and staff remain our highest priority. Below, you will find a summary of actions we are taking to help ensure we are lowering COVID-19 risk as much as possible. We are:

- Intensifying cleaning and disinfection practices within our facilities and premises.
- Keeping campers in small groups and spacing them out.
- Limiting the number of items that are shared or touched between campers and staff.
- Promoting healthy hygiene practices.
- Requesting that staff and campers wear a cloth face covering as feasible, and in times when physical distancing is difficult. As a reminder, cloth face coverings should not be placed on children younger than 2 years of age or on anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.
- If a child does get sick at camp, we have identified an area where they can rest, be watched after, and safely isolate from others. We will communicate with parents or caretakers directly and, if necessary, arrange for the child to be taken to a healthcare facility for care.

We ask that you help us protect the health of campers this summer. Anyone who is sick or was sick with COVID-19 or recently in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days— including staff, campers, and families — should not come to camp. Be on the lookout for symptoms of COVID-19, which include fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell. Call your doctor if you think you or a family member is sick.

If you have a specific question about this plan or COVID-19, please contact me for more information. You can also find more information about COVID-19 at [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus) or on [CDC's website for youth and summer camps](#).

We look forward to seeing you.

Thank you and stay healthy,
[Dan Kingery, Camp Director](#)