



May 2022 – Camper Health and Safety Update

Greetings from IOLBC!

We can't wait for you to join us this summer as we get to know Jesus Christ and each other through games, music, spending time at the lake, Bible study, worship, skits, and friendship!

As we approach the summer of 2022, the health and safety of our campers continues to be at the front of our minds as we consider the recommendations of our state and county health authorities. The changes and updates to our policies put in place by our Health and Wellness Team in recent years have gone a long way in helping us have healthy campers and staff throughout the busy summer camp season.

We continue to seek ways to improve overall camper wellness and care which includes a communicable disease plan. The most important steps in this plan are your responsibility. We are asking you, as the camper, or parent of a camper, to help us keep camp safe and healthy for all campers in the following ways:

1. Be prepared to spend time outside in God's creation. As much as weather allows, we will continue to have programs and activities take place outside again this summer. Not only have studies shown this to be one of the safest ways to hold camp, studies have also shown numerous benefits to kids spending time outdoors.
2. Please be sure you are arriving to camp in good health. If you, or anyone in your household, has symptoms of a communicable disease (such as the flu, a cold, or COVID-19) within 7 days of your arrival to camp, please consult a health professional to be sure you are healthy enough to come to camp. Please stay home if you are sick. Campers who are sick will not be allowed to stay at camp.
 - a. All of our youth campers will be required to visit with our camp medic for the week upon arrival. In addition to being sure medical forms are current and turning in all medications, our medics will be doing a quick health assessment to be sure all of our campers are healthy upon arrival.
 - b. We will be asking a primary contact from each of our families to check in upon arrival to verify that everyone who came with them is healthy and ready for camp.
3. Wash your hands! While we will be continuing with our commitment to be sure public spaces and multi-touch surfaces are cleaned and sanitized throughout the day, we will also continue to emphasize the importance of regular hand-washing. Handwashing or the use of hand sanitizer will be required of everyone just before going through the line at meal times.
4. Give your fellow camper some space.
 - a. During our youth camps, cabins will be considered a single group which will be sitting together when indoors such as at meal times and when chapel services are held indoors.

- b. During our family camps, families will again be pre-assigned seating in the chapel and dining hall so that campers are able to spread out and still sit with those with whom they are already hanging out with while at camp.
5. We support mask wearing for all who choose to wear one for their health or the health of others. We do acknowledge this as a personal choice for each of our campers and staff members. We do not anticipate asking campers to wear a mask at any time this summer.

We are excited about the upcoming summer season at IOLBC and can't wait for you to join us! Please join us in praying for a safe summer filled with God's blessings for all who are able to come to camp!

Thankful in Christ,

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