

## PSC COVID-19 POLICIES AT A GLANCE



We are excited to have Summer Camp at PSC once again after a year hiatus. Please know that we are establishing safety measures and protocols to minimize the risk of contracting COVID-19, in adherence to guidance from the CDC and the American Camping Association. The safety protocols and preventative measures that Pine Springs Camp is taking are listed below. We trust that this summer will be one where campers will have a life-changing week of being outdoors, growing spiritually, and experiencing a life-giving community of faith. Pine Springs Camp has established these guidelines in adherence to the American Camping Association's, "Field Guide for Camps on Implementation of CDC Guidance" and recommendations by the state of Pennsylvania. The following protocols are established to be as safe as possible; however, parents, guardian's and/or campers must assume the risk of the possibility of contracting COVID-19 by attending camp.

### HEALTH SCREENING



We are requiring all summer staff to be tested for COVID-19 prior to camp unless they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Given the trends, we anticipate that a high percentage of our staff will be fully vaccinated by the beginning of the summer. There is a requirement for all adult campers to either be fully vaccinated or be tested prior to coming to camp. For our campers under 18 years old they can either do temperature checks and monitor for COVID Symptoms 10 days prior to camp arrival or receive a negative COVID Test within 72 hours of camp. In addition, temperature checks will occur upon arrival at camp, and every camper and staff will have their temperature taken daily while at camp.

### OUR "PSC-PODS"



Campers will be part of a "POD" of up to 20 individuals who live, eat meals, and participate in activities together with the goal of keeping PODS separate from one another. Typically, PODS will consist of two cabin groups within the same camp. If PODS are assembled together, physical distancing between PODS will be enforced. If physical distancing between PODS cannot be accomplished, masks will be required.

### OUR MASK POLICY



We would like campers to bring 8-10 masks for a 5-day camp experience that are clearly marked with each camper's name. Masks will not be required while sleeping, for many outdoor activities while the campers are within their POD, nor while eating. However, if there is a prolonged period where physical distancing of 3-6 feet cannot be maintained within the POD, masks will be required. Masks also will not be required for campers and staff when inside their cabins unless a prolonged period where safe distancing of 3-6 feet cannot be maintained. Masks will be required in all indoor facilities when a distance of 3-6 feet between individuals cannot be maintained. Masks will also be required while the camper is up from their table in the dining hall.

### PHYSICAL DISTANCING



**SOCIAL DISTANCING**

Camp is structured around outdoor play and exploration, and we will plan as many activities as possible outside. We will plan activities for times of less close contact than a typical week at camp. When campers are within their POD safe distancing will be encouraged as much as possible. If there is a prolonged period where physical distancing cannot be maintained within the POD, masks will be required. In addition, PODS will be separated as much as possible. If PODS are combined, social distancing between the PODS will be required. Masks will be required if social distancing between PODS cannot be maintained.

## CABIN TIMES



Cabins at Pine Springs Camp are large and spacious. In addition, each cabin has many windows and ceiling fans which will allow for proper and very adequate ventilation. Masks may be required when campers cannot maintain a prolonged period where safe distance of 3-6 feet cannot be maintained. We are limiting the number of campers in each cabin to no more than 8. This will allow for ample space between each camper while they are sleeping. The minimum distance as we space campers out will be at least 7 feet (head-to-head) while they are sleeping. The rest-rooms in each cabin are also large and ample to accommodate campers. There will be a limit of no more than three campers allowed in the bathrooms at a time.

## HANDWASHING AND SANITIZATION



Proper handwashing has been proven to be the most effective way to reduce the spread of viruses. We are increasing the number of handwashing stations across camp. We will have hand sanitizer stations in every cabin and building on camp. Signage will be prominently displayed throughout camp. Increased measures of cleaning and disinfecting will be a priority. Frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned daily, more often in high traffic areas like the Refuge Dining Hall. We will operate our dining facilities with cleaning and sanitation guidelines from the ACA, CDC, and the Pennsylvania Department of Health. Use of shared objects (e.g. art supplies, toys, games) will be limited when possible or cleaned between use.

## ACTIVITY PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS



Our ability to put together an amazing program for our Summer 2021 campers will NOT change. However, there will be some modifications to our activities. We will either not play or we will modify games and activities that are considered close or high contact. Games like Gaga Ball and Nine Square will still be utilized throughout the summer, but campers will play these games on a schedule basis and only with their POD. Our Support Staff who lead activities, who are not a part of a Camper POD, are required to wear masks when leading the activity. All items will be cleansed and sanitized prior to and after use. While meals will still happen in the Refuge, singing will be done at outdoor locations where social distancing can more easily occur.

**Pine Springs Camp's first responsibility has been – and continues to remain – the health and safety of our staff, volunteers, guests, and campers.**

**Thank you for your support, understanding, patience and encouragement of this ministry. We look forward to having every camper find a sense of belonging and purpose as we focus on the love of our Heavenly Father!**