



May 2021

2021 Summer Camps COVID-19 Guidelines

The North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences is committed to offering fun, science-centered camps. While this year may be different, the Museum's programs will allow campers to embark on exciting adventures, creating a deeper connection to the natural world.

Our summer camps will follow current state and federal guidelines and apply a range of safety measures to mitigate health risks to include smaller camp sizes, mask requirements, utilizing larger rooms, minimal interaction between camp sessions and staff, and increasing sanitation efforts.

Please note that all summer camps are subject to change or cancellation depending on COVID-19 restrictions. A full refund would be provided in event of a cancellation by the Museum.

COVID-19 Guidelines:

All campers and their families must comply with the guidelines listed below to create a safe camp environment this summer. Where appropriate, Summer Camps staff will follow the same guidelines listed below. These guidelines are subject to change as local, state, and CDC guidelines are revised. Please understand that situations can change quickly. Guardians will be updated on changes to these guidelines when camp packets are emailed in June. We appreciate your patience and flexibility.

- **Limited camp size** – Our camps will operate at reduced capacities to allow for proper social distancing. All camps will have a maximum of 10 campers per session.
- **Masks or cloth face coverings are required indoors and outdoors** – Campers five years old and above are required to wear a cloth face covering indoors and outdoors, that covers the nose and mouth, except when social distancing outdoors. Cloth face coverings are strongly recommended for campers who are four years old.
- **Health screening checklist** – Before exiting the vehicle each morning, guardians or caretakers will verbally attest that they have completed the *Summer Camps Daily Symptoms Screening Checklist*, and the camper meets the criteria for attending the camp. If the answers from the screening checklist preclude the child from attending camp, the camper cannot be admitted that day.
- **Drop-off and pick-up** – Adults will be asked to remain in their cars during curbside drop-off and pick-up. After attesting to the completion of the health screening checklist, each camper's temperature will be taken with an infrared/no-touch thermometer. A camper's temperature must be 100.3 degrees or below. Temperatures of 100.4 or higher will result in the camper not being able to attend camp that day.
- **Hand washing and hand sanitizer** – Hand washing and use of hand sanitizer will be required throughout the day including arrival and departure, before and after all activities, meals, and use of the restroom.

- **Social distancing** – Camps will practice social distancing as much as possible throughout the day. Only one day camp, per location, per week will be offered with minimal interaction between camp sessions and staff.
- **Increased sanitizing and cleaning** – Increased cleaning and sanitizing efforts will take place multiple times throughout the day.
- **Symptoms of illness** – Guardians will be notified immediately to pick up their child without delay if they exhibit symptoms of illness listed on the *Summer Camps Daily Symptoms Screening Checklist*.
- **Notification of a positive test** - If a camper or Summer Camps staff member tests positive for COVID-19, the Summer Camps Coordinator will notify the guardians by email that a positive test was confirmed as soon as the information becomes available to us.

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