



# COVID-19 Safety Plan: 2022 Summer Camp Program

The health and safety of our campers, staff, and volunteers are at the top of our minds as we host our 2022 Summer Camp program. With COVID-19 still very present in our lives, we have designed the program to minimize risk of transmission, while maintaining the benefits of the Camp Kirk experience.

Over the summer, we will be closely monitoring changes to public health regulations, Ontario Camps Association standards, and best practice recommendations from medical experts to inform our COVID Safety Plan. We will update this document, and notify our camp community if protocols are revised.

**If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us at [campkirk@campkirk.com](mailto:campkirk@campkirk.com).**

**NOTE:** Throughout this document, campers, staff, LITs and volunteers will be referred to as "Participants"

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## **EDUCATION + TRAINING**

- Each participant will be sent a copy of Camp Kirk's COVID Safety Plan in advance of their arrival at camp.
- After arriving on-site, all participants will be given an orientation to go over COVID safety protocols.
- A copy of Camp Kirk's COVID Safety Plan will be posted in the office and Dining Hall

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## **VACCINATION POLICY**

- To participate in 2022 camp programs, all participants must be vaccinated against COVID-19, in accordance with [Camp Kirk's COVID Vaccine Policy](#).
- Visitors or service providers with an undisclosed vaccine status are required to wear a mask when indoors, or within 2 metres of others when outdoors.

## SCREENING FOR COVID-19

### PRE-ARRIVAL PRECAUTIONS & SCREENING

- Participants should limit their exposures to COVID to the greatest extent possible 7 days prior to their arrival at camp.
- Participants must notify the Camp Kirk office immediately within the 7 days before their session start date if:
  - They have symptoms of COVID-19
  - They have COVID-19 and are recovering
  - They are deemed a close contact of an individual who has COVID-19
- If a participant has symptoms of COVID-19 they will be asked to stay home until they are symptom-free and can present proof of a negative antigen test.
- If a participant has COVID-19, they will be asked to stay home until 10 days has passed since they tested positive. The participant may return to site if they do not have a fever, respiratory symptoms have been improving for 24 hours, and gastrointestinal symptoms have been improving for 48 hours.
- If a participant is deemed a close contact of an individual with COVID-19, they will be asked to stay home until 10 days has passed since their contact tested positive. The participant may return to camp once they provide proof of a negative antigen test.

### ANTIGEN TESTING

- Upon arrival on-site, participants will be administered a COVID Screening Questionnaire and an antigen test by Camp Kirk.
    - If the test results are positive, the participant will be asked to leave site and follow public health recommendations. They may return to site after 10 days if they do not have a fever and symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours.
    - If the antigen test results are inconclusive, a 2nd antigen test will be performed by Camp Kirk. If the results remain inconclusive, the participants will be asked to return home. They may return to site when they can provide proof of a negative antigen or PCR test.
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### VISITOR SCREENING

- Visitors who interact with the camp program and participants will be required to fill out a screening questionnaire, and complete an antigen test upon arrival on-site.
  - Visitors who do not interact with camp participants for extended periods of time (ex: service providers) do not have to complete an antigen test. However, they will be required to sign in and wear a mask while on-site.
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## MINIMIZING RISK OF TRANSMISSION

### COHORTS

- To minimize COVID transmission, the concept of cohorts will be used to provide guidelines for when certain COVID protocols need to be in place.
- A 'cohort' at Camp Kirk is defined as a group of individuals who sleep in the same living quarters (i.e. a cabin group of campers, a cabin group of staff).
- At Camp Kirk staff do not live in the same cabins as campers, so it is important to note that staff are never in the same cohort as campers.

### PROTOCOLS TO MINIMIZE TRANSMISSION

- Masking
    - *Indoors:* Participants are required to wear masks when indoors, unless sleeping, eating, bathing or brushing teeth.
    - *Outdoors:* Masks will be encouraged outdoors if a participant is in close contact consistently with someone outside of their cohort for an extended period of time (i.e. 10+ minutes).
  - Outdoor Time
    - Outdoors will be the preferred setting for activities, including meal times, if the weather is appropriate.
  - Healthy Hand Hygiene
    - Healthy hand hygiene will be promoted regularly throughout the day. Handsantizier will be readily available, and staff will arrange for hand-washing sessions during key times during the day.
    - Participants will be asked to wash/sanitize their hands directly before both activities and meals.
  - Increase Facility + Equipment Sanitization
    - We have increased the sanitization protocols of our facilities, equipment, and 'high touch' areas around camp.
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## MANAGEMENT OF SUSPECTED CASES OF COVID

### Care of Individuals with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID

- Any participants who are symptomatic or feeling ill should immediately put on a mask and report to the healthcare team. All COVID screenings, antigen tests, and assessment of symptomatic individuals will be conducted in the Health Hub's "Waiting Room". (i.e. the shade tent outside of the Health Hub).
- Any individuals who are interacting with participants with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 must wear the appropriate PPE (personal protective equipment) at all times.
- If a participant has COVID symptoms, they will be isolated in a designated space and will be given an antigen test. If symptoms are not linked to a an explainable or pre-existing condition the following protocols will be used:

- **Negative Results:** If the results are negative, the participant will be required to isolate for 24 hours and their symptoms will be monitored. After 24 hours, they will be re-tested.
  - If a 2nd antigen test comes back negative, and their symptoms have improved, the individual can return to their group.
  - If symptoms have persisted at the same level or worsened the participant will be required to stay isolated from the camp community to recuperate as a precaution. They may return to their group once 1) their symptoms have been improving for 24 hours and they do not have a fever, and 2) they can provide proof of a negative antigen test
  - **NOTE: Once a camper becomes symptomatic, families will be asked to pick up their camper immediately so that the required isolation period can be completed at home.**
- **Positive Results:** If the results are positive, the participant will be asked to return home immediately to self-isolate and follow public health recommendations. The participant may return to site 10 days after their symptoms surfaced if they do not have a fever and symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours.

## MANAGEMENT OF CONFIRMED CASES AND OUTBREAKS

### When there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 during a camp session:

- All fully-vaccinated participants may continue their camp stay. Participants who remain on-site will be screened for symptoms daily until the end of the camp session. An antigen test will be administered to all participants within 24 hours before their departure from camp.
- The following protocols will be in place for 7 days for any individuals who are deemed 'close contacts' of the positive case:
  - Masking and social distancing will be required at all times when around others who are not part of their cohort.
  - A washroom and dining area will be established for close contacts, so that appropriate distance can be maintained during unmasked times.
  - Daily screening and antigen tests will be conducted
- **NOTE:** Under the protocols listed above, Camp Kirk would not be able to provide appropriate support to campers who are deemed closed contacts (i.e. cabin counsellors would not be able to be within two metres of their campers at any point, which would prevent staff from providing appropriate care). **As such, when a COVID case is established in a cabin group, all campers within that cabin group will be sent home.**

### When there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 shortly after a camp session:

- The Camp Kirk office must be notified if a participant receives a positive COVID-19 test within a week of the end of their camp stay. In this event, the Camp Kirk office will notify all participants who were on-site at the same time as the positive individual and instruct them to seek out an antigen test and monitor for symptoms.

### **Assessment and management of Outbreaks**

- Camp Kirk will use the support of the *Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit* to help assess if there is an outbreak of COVID-19 within our camp community, and will closely follow the health units recommendations and instructions to prevent and manage outbreaks.