

2021 Theatre at St. Michael's Camp COVID protocols

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. Thank you for doing your part to help everyone in our community stay healthy.

BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF CAMP

- All UNVACCINATED campers and staff should have a PCR test taken on the Thursday or Friday prior to their start of camp on Monday. Results must be sent to Christina Johnston at cjohnston@smcads.org.
- Fully VACCINATED campers should share the date of their final vaccination (***Fully vaccinated means a full 14 days after the final required vaccine dose***).
- If the camper or staff member is participating in consecutive weeks of camp and staying in RI or a non-restricted travel state over the weekends, AND you have had no symptoms or close contact exposures, you do not need to test each week.
- If you travel to state on the RI restricted travel list between camp weeks, retesting is required.
- If your camper (or staff member) is not fully vaccinated (14 days after the final required dose) and you are traveling to RI from a state on the RIDOH restricted travel list, your camper must be quarantined in RI for 7 days with a negative PCR test taken on day 5, before coming to SMS camps on or after the 8th day. (The day you arrive in RI is counted as day zero.)
- Check the RI restricted travel list at: <https://covid.ri.gov/covid-19-prevention/travel-tofrom-ri>. Scroll down the page and click on the link for “hot spots.” You need to check this list on the day you arrive in RI to know if the state you came from is on the list.

TESTING SITES:

FOR OUT OF STATE/COUNTRY ARRIVALS:

Visit: <https://covid.ri.gov/covid-19-prevention/travel-tofrom-ri>

Then scroll the the very last option “Sites that Test Out of state travelers who don’t have COVID symptoms”.

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FOR RI RESIDENTS:

K-12 testing sites will only test people who have an appointment already set up. Please call the K-12 test scheduling service at 844-857-1814, seven days a week from 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 p.m., to make an appointment OR GO TO portal.ri.gov to make an appointment.

Closest location to St. Michael's: (near the Stop-n-Shop on Connell Highway).
CCRI Campus, 1 John H. Chafee Blvd, Newport. Hours of operation are Monday - Saturday 9am - 5pm.

SYMPTOMS AND SCREENING

- DAILY SYMPTOM SCREENING FOR ALL CAMPERS AND STAFF. This will be via the MyMedBot app and posted at entrances. (Camp will share the MyMedBot app with campers and staff prior to the start of camp.)
- If your camper has allergies, see your doctor and start medication to control symptoms. Give the medication at home before your camper comes to campus. If a runny nose or any other symptom starts at camp, you will be called to pick up your camper and get a PCR test. **After** a negative PCR result you may be medicated to control symptoms and campers who have been fever and vomit free for 24 hours without medication and whose allergy symptoms are controlled, may return to camp.
- If staff or campers have experienced any of the following symptoms in the last 3 days that are NOT explained by allergies or a non-infectious cause, stay home and schedule a PCR covid 19 test:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of Breath or Difficulty Breathing
 - Fever or Chills
 - Muscle or Body Aches
 - Sore throat
 - Headache
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
 - Runny nose or stuffy nose
 - Fatigue
 - Recent loss of taste or smell

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SYMPTOMS AND SCREENING (continued)

- Other Risk factors for which you may not come to camp:
 - Have you been in close contact (within 6 feet) of anyone with Covid 19 or symptoms of Covid-19 in the past 14 days?
 - Have you traveled anywhere outside the 50 United States in the past 14 days?
 - Have you traveled to RI from a state that is currently on the RI restricted travel list?
 - Have you been directed to quarantine or isolate by the RIDOH or a healthcare provider in the past 14 days? If so, when did/does your quarantine or isolation period end?

- ***If a vaccinated or unvaccinated person develops any of the above symptoms a PCR test is required. Any person who tests positive must be isolated for 10 days.***

- Any UNVACCINATED person who is a close contact of someone who tested positive for COVID 19 (close contact is within 6 feet of an infectious person for 15 minutes or more) must quarantine for 7 full days and present a negative PCR result taken on day 5. The day of last exposure counts as day zero.

- ***A person who is within 90 days following a positive PCR Covid 19 test does not have to retest or quarantine unless they develop symptoms. Provide documentation to camp directors.***

Steps for returning after a positive screen:

Campers or Staff that have been sent home may not return to TASM camp until the individual (or his or her parent) provides competent evidence to the camp demonstrating that:

- The individual was tested negative for COVID-19; and
- Has had no fever for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and symptoms have improved.
- The individual tested positive for COVID-19, but has since met RIDOH guidelines for ending isolation.

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MASKS & SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Masks are required by ALL Children and Caregivers during arrival and pick up each day.
- All staff and campers will wear masks inside.
 - Although fully vaccinated persons have been allowed to go mask free, the majority of our campers can not be vaccinated, so all adults working with campers will don masks inside.
 - **Exception: IF all of the campers and staff in a stable group are fully vaccinated then masks will not be required for that stable group inside or outside - ALL persons in the stable group must be vaccinated for this rule to be implemented (due to privacy issues, where masking would identify persons who are not vaccinated).**
- Campers may remove masks outside when able to maintain a minimum of 3 foot distancing.
- There is no masking in the pool area - one stable group at a time.
- If there is a medical reason that your unvaccinated camper is unable to wear a mask, please provide written documentation from a medical facility prior to arriving at camp.
- Physical distancing of 3 feet is encouraged, but within stable camp groups campers may play in closer proximity than 3 feet.
- Stable groups may not mix, and a 6 foot distance must be maintained between all groups.
- Each stable group will be assigned specific classroom locations and bathrooms for use.
- When eating, unvaccinated people must maintain 6 foot distancing – either indoors or out.

VISITORS ON CAMPUS

- With the exception of family members invited to theatre performances at specific times, parents/guardians are not permitted to visit within campus grounds.
- Camp directors are *not* monitoring vaccination status of all parents and we will not expose campers to out-side visitors inside OR OUTSIDE.

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GENERAL COVID SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

- Families/Caregivers/Visitors are not permitted to enter the school or grounds during camp hours of operation.
- Caregivers AND Campers MUST wear a mask during arrival and dismissal.
- We request that the same person pick up and drop off students each day.
- Intensified cleaning and disinfection practices will be conducted within our facilities and premises.
- Campers will be separated into small groups of no more than 26, known as “pods” that do not mix with other “pods.”
- We will limit the number of items that are shared or touched between campers.
- We promote healthy hygiene practices by going over safety protocols at the beginning of each week. This includes proper mask wearing, hand washing, and social distancing along with frequent reminders to and posting signs about these healthy habits around the camp facility.
- We provide a separate area for anyone who gets sick at camp, where they can rest, be watched after, and safely isolate from others.

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 at the email below for more information. You can also find more information about COVID-19 at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus or on [CDC's website for youth and summer camps \(https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/summer-camps.html\)](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/summer-camps.html).

We look forward to seeing you!

Thank you and stay healthy,
Christy Johnston
TASM Camp Director