

COVID-19 & General Health Guidelines

(Kindly familiarize yourself with these guidelines prior to camp)

We strongly recommend stocking up on at-home rapid tests to be prepared for the season as testing appointment availability may be scarce in the summer.

Based on Newport County being classified as Low or Medium risk, we will be following the current guidelines listed below. However, should the risk level increase to High, campers will be required to wear masks inside, in addition to any other RIDOH recommendations.

General Illness Policy:

If a camper exhibits a fever (100.4 or above) and/or vomiting, they must remain home even with a negative Covid test result.

Allergies, Asthma, or Chronic Health Conditions

- If a camper with documented allergies, asthma, or chronic health conditions has new probable COVID symptoms, they must take a test.
- If a negative result and symptoms are consistent with allergies, asthma or other chronic health conditions, they may return to camp after being fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medicine.
- If the camper has a new additional symptoms or a sudden change or worsening of runny nose, nasal congestion or another symptom, they should get tested prior to camp arrival.

COVID-19 Guidelines

1. Screen for these symptoms EVERY morning BEFORE camp arrival.
2. When a camper is experiencing Major or Minor PROBABLE symptoms (using chart above), follow these steps:

If they show any ONE Major symptom OR any TWO Minor symptoms:

1. Stay home
2. Monitor
3. Take a covid test (at home rapid test or testing facility)

If test result is negative:

- Campers may only return when fever, vomit, and diarrhea-free for 24 hours. If test result is negative, but camper is still experiencing symptoms:

- Camper may return with negative result from 2nd antigen test taken 24-48 after first. If test result is positive for COVID-19:
- Campers must stay home and isolate for a full FIVE days after the first day that symptom(s) appeared.
- Individuals may return to camp on day SIX, if they no longer have any symptoms or their symptoms are improving and they've been fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication).
- They MUST wear a well-fitting mask, preferably a KN95 or N95 per updated recommendations for masks, for an additional FIVE days at camp.

When is masking mandatory?

- Masking remains optional for all campers, faculty and staff while RI/Newport County is classified as Medium or Low risk.
- Masks will be required for all campers, faculty and staff while indoors if risk increases to High.
- If you are a known close contact to someone who has tested positive for Covid, we require campers to wear a mask for a minimum of 5 days and follow protocol for testing as outlined below.

What is a CLOSE CONTACT?

Anyone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period or someone who has had unprotected direct contact with of a person with confirmed COVID (indoor or outdoor setting). Ex: infected person coughs directly in someone's face.

What is a CLOSE CONTACT Protocol?

If you are a known close contact and develop a symptom, follow the protocol for above in #2 AND see the next two questions regarding close contacts below.

What additional requirements will parents and campers have if the camper is a close contact?

- Notify St. Michael's as soon as you know your child is a close contact. Testing should be done for asymptomatic close contacts on days 2 and 5 (prior to arrival at camp). Home tests or facility-based tests are accepted.
- If your camper is a close contact, please closely monitor for the development of any new symptoms.
- If symptoms develop, camper needs to go home for the rest of the 5 day quarantine. A test can be done at home or at a facility.

- See next question for Household close contacts.

What if my child is a close contact with someone inside the home who tested positive for Covid-19?

- If the camper resides in the home with the person who tested positive for COVID 19, they will need to test on day 2 and day 5 (prior to camp arrival) AND must wear a mask indoors for 5 days.

What if my child feels sick and has already had Covid? Can they come to camp if they don't feel well?

- If the camper feels unwell, stay home. To come to camp, a camper should be able to actively participate in all activities.
- If a camper has one MINOR symptom, except fever and/or vomiting and/or diarrhea, they may come to camp.
- If they have a fever, vomiting, or diarrhea, they must stay home. The camper may return when the symptoms have resolved for 24 hours without medication.