

CAMP SEQUASSEN DETAILED COVID GUIDELINES 2021



Keeping Scouts and Scouters Safe

Pre-Camp Preparation

Pre-Camp Screening Check List:

Immediately prior to departing home, all campers, volunteers, and those dropping them off are asked to fill out the BSA Pre-Event Medical Screening Check List to ensure that it is safe to attend. If they have any symptoms, they are asked not to come to camp.

https://www.ctyankee.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/CYC-Pre-event-Checklist-2021-0426.pdf

BSA Annual Health and Medical Record:

Each camper and adult volunteer is required to have an annual physical within the last 12 months and prior to arrival at camp submit the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record signed by a **medical provider**.

https://www.ctvankee.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/AHMR-Complete

Pre-arrival Vaccination and Testing:

Everyone who is eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine (ages 12 and up) is strongly encouraged to get vaccinated.

For a camper to attend camp (youth or adult), ONE of the following actions must be taken PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT CAMP:

- Be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (which is defined as two weeks after receiving the Johnson&Johnson shot or after receiving the second shot of Moderna or Pfizer, OR
- Receive a negative result for a COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours of arrival at camp. A PCR test is recommended but a rapid test will be accepted, OR
- Stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days before arriving at camp

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Everyone will be required to wear a face mask indoors, and when they cannot socially distance outdoors. Exceptions to this rule will be while in your cohort, sleeping, swimming, boating and eating. Everyone should bring at least one clean mask for each day they are in camp. For those who cannot wear one, a signed note from a medical provider is required.

Sleeping Arrangements

Our camp has traditional canvas tents and lean-tos and all campers will be asked to sleep head to toe. There are 2 person tents, 4 person lean-tos, and 6 person lean-tos. The 6 person lean-to, will only house 5 people this year. If an individual would like to bring their own tent, it will be accommodated, within reason.

Dining and Program Operations

Our traditional family style meals will not be able to be served this year. We will offer a served buffet style meal and pre-poured drinks instead. For these meals, there will be 2 waves, with 6 people maximum per table and a 6 ft. distance between unit cohorts. Outside dining will be accommodated upon request in advance through the Camp Director. Our Saturday brunch will be just for our campers this year.

Program areas and activities will still function as they have in the past with some extra precautions. We will have our program campfires on Clark Field. Gaga ball and other group activities will be by unit reservations only. Our Friendship Fires will still take place but only include staff invitees this year. Staff will need to wear a mask.

Check In, Health Screening & Visitors

At check-in:

Upon arrival, campers will arrive in either the north or south parking lot and check in with the staff. There, they will submit proof of COVID vaccination, a negative COVID test within 72 hours, and/or a 10 day quarantine. After that, they will proceed to their campsite and drop off their gear and meet up with the rest of their unit. Unit leaders will have an assigned time to check their unit in at Alderman.

Health Screening:

Each cohort will assign an adult volunteer to serve as the Campsite Safety Officer (CSO), and provide that name to the Camp Director. That person will be responsible for filling out and submitting a Daily Health Screening Checklist for each camper (youth and adult) in the cohort.

Visitors:

We will not be allowing any unauthorized/unscheduled visitors this summer. Unit leaders, including part-time leaders, must be listed on your unit camp roster. Upon arrival they must check in at the Alderman Center and show proof of COVID vaccination or a negative COVID test within 72 hours .

Cohorting

Upon arrival at camp, each troop will be separated into cohorts (this will be your campsite). When Scouts and leaders are traveling to merit badges or outside of their cohort, they are advised to wear masks when unable to socially distance from others outside their cohort (for example, in a merit badge class).

This plan was developed by the Connecticut Yankee Council, BSA for use at resident camp facilities. It incorporates non-pharmaceutical interventions as outlined in the American Camping Association Field Guide for camps as well as State of Connecticut Sector Re-opening Guidelines and Office of Early Childhood and Department of Public Health recommendations. The multi-layered approach has been proven effective to reduce the risk of transmission among campers that attended day and resident camps in 2020.