

# Camp Four Echoes Covid-19 Protocols Summer 2021

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recommendations shift\*\****

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# Background

Camp Four Echoes has created this plan based on the recommendations of the CDC, the American Camp Association, and the State of Washington Department of Health. Based on these, and the restrictions on gathering in the phases, we have made intensive modifications to our normal camp programming and have limited the maximum number of campers.

For more information on the phases, or the recommendations we've used to create this plan, please see these resources:

- [Considerations for Youth and Summer Camps](#)
- [Camp Operations Guide for ACA](#)

Girl Scouts will contact all registered families if camp needs to be postponed or canceled.

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# General

## **Camper Group Sizes**

In general, restrict camper groups and staff to a total of 90 on site, or 60 campers. This will result in five camper groups of 12. Groups may never mix. No more than one group is allowed in any other room at any one time.

## **Face Masks and Distancing**

All camp staff and campers will wear face masks unless swimming, eating, outdoors social distancing, or sleeping.

## **Cleaning**

Deep cleaning and sanitizing of all spaces after each use by a group, before and after each session. During the day, staff will also frequently wipe down high touch surfaces such as door handles. All campers and staff will wash hands or use hand sanitizer in between activities. Lost and Found will be bagged up in Ziplocs or clear garbage bags by staff wearing gloves.

## **Bathrooms**

Girls will be encouraged to use the bathrooms in their own unit. Each bathroom will be fully cleaned once during the day and again once campers leave. Shower houses are sanitized between camper groups.

## **Miscellaneous**

+All campers will have their own water bottle.

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# Check In/Out Procedures

## Location

Parents/ guardians will drop off their campers at the front gate at Camp Four Echoes. Camp staff will perform check-in covid screening through the window of the vehicle. Once they pass the covid screening, the vehicle will move through the check-in process “drive-through” style- stopping at our health screening where the children’s head will be checked for lice and their feet will be checked for fungus. Next, they will drop off medication and discuss health care needs with the health care supervisor. Then, they will discuss any dietary restrictions with the kitchen staff. They will finish up any trading post accounts. Finally, they will drop off luggage and give hugs and kisses goodbye!

Check-out will have the same traffic pattern.

Parents may enter the camp for emergencies only. The Camp Directors # is 509.202.5356.

## Check-in Times

**Check in times will be communicated via email from the Camp Director one week before camp starts.** Camp check in times start at 1pm and end at 3pm. Please adhere to your check in time for ease of arrival.

## Check-out

**Camp check-out is the same as your check in time.** Parents will sign their campers out. As per usual, campers will not be checked out to anyone who does not have a valid ID and is not on the approved pick up list. Parents will wait for children in the car. Staff will direct traffic and campers are escorted to their waiting car by staff members.

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# Health Screenings

Campers will be screened upon arrival and **daily** on a number of health indicators. If they do not pass the daily screening, measures will be taken to ensure their/ other campers health and safety. Please familiarize yourself with the daily screening. If you know that you cannot pass the screening, please do not come to camp. Call and we will refund your camper’s attendance that week. During the screening, our camp staff will wear masks and gloves. The only information that will be recorded is that your camper passed the screening - temperatures will not be kept or tracked.

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# Meals/Cooking

## **Meals**

Each group will have its own section and time in the dining hall. Groups will remain in pods in designated areas. Campers will be able to spread out at that table but not eat with any campers not in their group. Staff will make sure that there are no more than 8 people per table, with one seat between campers marked off. There will be at least 6 feet in between table groups.. Campers may not trade food.

## **Cook-Outs**

Campers will wash their hands before cooking or baking, as per usual. Stirring utensils and cutting knives will be washed before being shared between campers. In addition, campers will wear face masks for all cooking and baking activities. Campers will be given separate tasks to complete and places to stand while cooking together.

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# Camp Traditions

## **Singing**

Singing is a huge part of camp, and we will try to make this part of our camp feel like it has in the past. We will sing with face masks on and with a minimum of 6 feet distance between singers.

## **Flag**

We will be socially distancing and doing flag before designated breakfast and in the evening before dinner.

## **All Camp**

All camps will be modified with campers remaining in separate pods, and will change week-to-week based on the theme!

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# Activities

## **Archery**

Each camper will be assigned their own quiver of arrows to use over the course of their archery time. Bows will be wiped down between camper uses and arrows will be wiped down between camper groups.

## **Arts and Crafts**

Paint brushes used by each group will be rinsed and placed in a sanitizing bucket to be recycled back into use for the next day. Each camper will have their own scissors, markers and colored pencils assigned for the week in a Ziplock bag. All other shared supplies will be wiped down between uses.

**Challenge Course**

Hand washing and sanitizing will be necessary prior to entry. Staff will wipe down all non-living surfaces between uses.

**Kapers**

Campers will continue to contribute to the cleanliness of camp with kapers, with a more thorough cleaning to follow by staff. Campers will be tasked with sweeping, mopping, and wiping surfaces with disinfecting wipes. Gloves will be worn during kapers.

**Program Equipment:**

All program equipment will be disinfected between uses.

**Sunscreen**

Any campers who bring their own sunscreen and require assistance applying it must make sure that the sunscreen is spray-on. Otherwise, camp staff will apply our spray-on sunscreen (Banana Boat, SPF 30).

**T-bone and the Meadow:**

Unit shelters and bathrooms are cleaned between camper groups.

**Toys**

Toys that are easily disinfected (such as balls, hula hoops, and other non-porous surfaces) can be played with. Only games that support physical distancing will be allowed, for example, tagging campers with hands will be replaced by tagging with pool noodles. Toys will be placed into a 'hot zone' after use to be disinfected between uses.

**Unit Materials**

Each unit will be given materials for their camper groups (general craft supplies, puzzles, games, etc) for use in camper group. These are disinfected at the end of the session.

**Waterfront**

PFDs are disinfected by the sun for 24 hours and boats/ paddles are disinfected between uses.

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## Staff

Admin staff covering breaks will wear face masks during interactions with children and other staff.

Staff will be encouraged to socially distance during time off and stay on campus as much as possible. They will be given incentives to maintain the health and safety of our campers and themselves throughout the summer. They will be encouraged to wear face masks while interacting with each other and will maintain the covid-protocols throughout their time off. Off-duty staff will be required to wear face masks while indoors unless sleeping/ eating.

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# Coronavirus Symptoms vs Exposure at Camp

## Covid Exposures:

Campers who refuse to be screened at arrival, who display symptoms listed, or who answer yes to any of the screening questions will not be allowed to attend camp.

If a staff member, camper, or anyone in the camper's family has been exposed to Covid-19 outside or at camp, they will not be able to attend camp, and is advised to complete a two-week quarantine.

If a camper or staff in a child's group has tested positive for Covid-19, the staff member and campers in that group will be contacted (the name of the individual will be withheld for confidentiality) and asked to isolate for 14 days. The remaining camp session(s) will be pro-rated and refunded. Camp will cooperate with the Kootenai County Health District as needed to reach out to exposed campers from previous weeks as needed.

## Covid Symptoms:

We conduct a health screening for symptoms and exposure before campers or staff are allowed to enter camp. Those who display symptoms listed will not be allowed to attend camp.

To investigate any suspected symptoms of Covid-19 that appear during the camp day, staff will use full PPE- N95 mask, gloves, face shields, and plastic gown. First, staff will address immediate health needs: for example, if severe shortness of breath, calling 911 or taking to urgent care/emergency room. If no emergency or urgent care is required, campers showing symptoms will isolate with two staff wearing full PPE in the off-limits room while waiting for parents to arrive to pick up.

Anyone sent home with symptoms or who has exhibited symptoms will be unable to return to camp for the duration of that camp week without a negative covid test. The remaining camp session(s) will be pro-rated and refunded. Campers must be symptom-free in order to return to camp the next week, if applicable.

**A parent/ guardian will need to pick up their child within 12 hours of notification of Covid-related symptoms for their camper.**

## **Camp Closure will occur if:**

A second camper group has been quarantined

OR

Two or more camp staff are out sick with symptoms or have tested positive for Covid-19 at any one time.

OR

Kootenai County Health District suggests closure.

## Daily Health Screening for Campers/Staff:

### Questions:

Have you experienced any of the following in the last 3 days?

A fever? Yes / No

Today's temperature: \_\_\_\_\_

Cough? Yes / No

Shortness of breath? Yes / No

Difficulty breathing? Yes / No

Sore throat? Yes / No

Chills? Yes / No

New loss of taste or smell? Yes / No

Muscle or body aches? Yes/ No

Nausea or vomiting? Yes / No

Diarrhea? Yes / No

Stomachache? Yes/No

Congestion or runny nose? Yes / No  
*(unrelated to seasonal allergies)*

Unusual fatigue? Yes / No

Rashes on feet or hands? Yes / No

Does anyone in your household have any of the above symptoms? Yes / No

Have you been in close contact with suspected or confirmed Covid-19? Yes / No

Have you taken any medication that may reduce fever? Yes / No



Visual screen:

Flushed cheeks? Yes / No

Appear unusually tired? Yes / No

Sniffly? Yes / No

Fussy? Yes / No