

March 3, 2022

Dear Parents and Friends,

First and foremost, we hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy. We know this pandemic has been stressful and recognize that socializing and interacting with peers can be a healthy way to cope with stress and connect with others. Camp can be a great resource for helping establish and maintain good mental health and we want to help as much as we are able. We constantly survey the latest COVID-19 updates through the CDC, state and national authorities as well as information from industry leaders to determine the most up-to-date mitigation strategies that make sense for our particular camp settings and situations.

The health and safety of our campers and staff remains 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 while providing the opportunity for healthy, life-changing camp experiences.

- Protecting others who might be vulnerable is a part of our Christian duty of hospitality to others and of community. Vaccination is a powerful tool for reducing the chance of serious illness and reducing virus spread. Therefore, we strongly encourage vaccination for all who are able.
- Continuing intensified cleaning and disinfection practices
- Prioritizing small groups for campers and promoting healthy hygiene practices
- Due to the outdoor nature of camp experiences, masks are less appropriate in most camp settings. If prolonged times indoor become necessary, masks will be utilized (thus we request that campers come equipped with masks and we have disposable ones available)
- If a child does get sick at camp, we will work with our camp doctor and communicate with parents directly the potential and risk of exposure

We ask that you help us protect the health of campers and staff. Anyone who is sick or was sick with COVID-19 or recently in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the 10 days prior to camp (including staff, campers, and families) should stay home until recommended quarantine time is over. 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 specific questions about this plan or COVID-19, please contact Chris Miller, Tech & Admin Director, [chris@lomik.org](mailto:chris@lomik.org).

We look forward to seeing you this summer.

Thank you and stay healthy,

LOMIK Staff