

SUMMER CAMP UPDATE
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Dear Concord Recreation Camp Community,

On June 1, the Department of Early Education and Care released guidelines that outline the minimum health and safety requirements that child care programs, recreational camps, and municipal or recreational youth programs not traditionally licensed as camps must meet in order to operate during the phased plan of Reopening Massachusetts. Concord Recreation is working hard to develop procedures to meet these expectations with the hopes of running camps should the state move to Phase 2. We are hopeful that camps will start the week of June 29th but that is not a guarantee at this time.

While we have been preparing for potential opening options, now that the guidelines are clear, we will be working with our local Board of Health, Town Manager's Office, and various other Town Divisions including School District to lay out exactly what our camp will look like this summer. Things that we do know now are that Concord Recreation summer camp groups will be limited to a maximum of 10 campers, camp groups will not go on field trips, and the traditional interactions at camp will look and feel very different. As we make these adjustments and additions to our program, we are simultaneously increasing our cleaning practices and PPE availability and therefore we do not envision a change in the program fee. As we work through all of our program details, we have closed registration of all camp programs until further notice. Additionally, it is important to note that Trekkers Camp, Concord River Camp, Arts and Rec camp and Extended AM have been cancelled and refunds will be provided. Please also be aware that campers who do not live in the state of MA cannot attend our program so we will be cancelling and refunding those registrations this week. If you have registered a participant under your household who does NOT live in MA, we ask that you let us know so we can follow the state's regulations and cancel those enrollments. This is for the safety and wellbeing of our campers and staff.

While this summer will be run differently than a traditional camp season, our goal is to provide a fun, skill-building experience for each child that improves their confidence and instills a passion for an active lifestyle. More than ever, the safety and wellbeing of our campers and staff will be our top priority. The Concord Recreation team will strive to make the best decisions based on the unique conditions and guidelines provided by State and Local regulating authorities and we will share those plans with all of you as they are developed.

Stay well,
Concord Recreation