



PRPS Virtual Roundtable May 22, 2020 Summer Camp Discussion

Google Doc –

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1q8Ob1Z_zcWcAjT5gM0XQS7Vazxg172icb3lQPR7pfY0/edit?usp=sharing

<http://redwoodsgroup.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/COVID-Resource-Packet-5.11.pdf>

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/health/2020/05/21/coronavirus-news-what-cdc-saying-covid-19-surfaces/5235317002/>

ACA - <https://www.acacamps.org/resource-library/coronavirus/camp-business/camp-operations-guide-summer-2020>

<https://nypost.com/2020/05/20/cdc-now-says-coronavirus-does-not-spread-easily->

Online Adventures - <https://www.onlineadventurecamps.com/camp-category/day-camp-adventures/day-camp-mids/>

Chat Discussion

What is the status of your summer camp?

Camp Status Poll Results

(14) 27% canceled

(14) 27% no decision yet

(4) 8% plan to run with safety protocols

(17) 33% Plan to run modified version

(2) 4% virtual camp only

Ken Lehr: West Goshen has cancelled. May have modified programming at end of summer.

Joelle Scholl: We will be opening in Lancaster County. Operating on a school-age child care waiver.

Cheryl Speaker: Phoenixville Borough - Chester County - cancelled in person camps. Planning on "camp in a bag" and virtual options

Devon Serena: we are all virtual now in South Park

Michael Kurland: Manheim township still waiting

Kristy Owens: Silver Spring Township is cancelled.

Devon Serena: started signups for our virtual program yesterday and have gotten a good response for the first day

Doug Knauss: GEARS has no decision yet

Karen Eberly: GEARS is still waiting.

Kristy Owens: working on a virtual camp program with a 3rd party

Derek Muller: Montgomery Twp - Usual camp cancelled and refunded. Awaiting guidance to see if our smaller version of camp can happen

Lauren Irizarry: Conshohocken Borough is on with modifications as of this moment

Jennifer Fean: Camp cancelled as it was scheduled. Outdoor small group in yellow, full day modified in small groupings planned in green if governor lifts SAH order on June 4. Also awaiting direction from state - are we going to get that?

Nicole Kreutzman: Nicole Kreutzman, North Fayette Twp. Our program is pending based on if we can use our building in case of inclement weather.

Mike Kukitz: South Whitehall Township - Usual camp cancelled. Now planning to run modified smaller weekly camps

Eric Stauffer: West Shore Recreation Commission. Last Friday we cancelled first half of of summer day camp at this point. Waiting a few more weeks to decide on last half of summer.

Jennifer Fean: Northampton is running exactly as Paul is describing.

Michael Grubb: Philly Parks & Rec will be conducting a modified Summer Camp with details still being worked out. No specialty camps (Sports Camps, Drama Camp, etc.) No trips, no pools.

Bethany Bachman: Dormont cancelled first 4 weeks, plan to start July 12 and run 6 weeks through August 21

Gina Tophoney: Lower Merion Township is still waiting for guidance on in person camps, but teamed up with On-Line Adventures to offer a variety of virtual programs. For those programs that are subcontracted, we will most likely just offer virtual classes.

Jennifer Fean: My favorite phrase is "where feasible"

Bethany Bachman: That is a great phrase

Jennifer Fean: Many gray areas

Derek Muller: Thanks for my new camp name: Montgomery Township's Feasibility Camp

Jennifer Fean: Ha! Totally stealing that!

Ken Lehr: Playground would be closed for any modified programming we may do.

Jennifer Fean: Agree - no playground

Derek Muller: Too many factors IMO for playgrounds in public spaces as well as sanitizing. Same with most sports (have ideas for a few modifications). Planning to rely on Art and Environmental activities where kids have their own set of supplies (well in theory. Kids are kids...)

Karen Eberly: At this time GEARS would not use our large wooden public playground at our park site. But is considering using a smaller playground at a closed site.

Jennifer Fean: Also would like to see a poll on masks - my understanding was also kids 12 and under did not have to wear

Nicole Kreutzman: if we hold a program, masks will only be required if we are indoors

Karen Eberly: As long as not required, masks would be optional for children. Staff would wear masks.

Jennifer Fean: (not have to be worn in the smaller groups, only if they did a large group and the groups would intermingle)

Chuck Frantz: just got into the meeting. sorry had some tech. problems. what are the feelings of everyone on doing camps this year?

Derek Muller: **Anybody heard from DVT?**

Jennifer Fean: We have not Derek

Ashley Marsteller: **Is it true that camp must be held completely outdoors until the green phase?**

Gina Tophoney: According to Wolf's plan, yes

Jennifer Fean: That is my understanding...

Michele Pilotta: that same article contradicts itself because it goes on to mention that we should still be disinfecting frequently touched surfaces.

Jennifer Fean: Right - I think that is ok

Jennifer Fean: Rec Centers cannot open until Green

Ken Lehr: Josh Green (Mechanicsburg P&R) was compiling safe social-distancing activities for camps. Is there info PRPS can distribute, or should we each pester Josh to find out what he has compiled?

Mike Kukitz: I am assuming everyone has seen/is familiar with this field guide? What are your thoughts on using this as your guiding document? <https://www.acacamps.org/resource-library/coronavirus/camp-business/camp-operations-guide-summer-2020>

Todd Miller: <https://nypost.com/2020/05/20/cdc-now-says-coronavirus-does-not-spread-easily-on-surfaces/>

Derek Muller: @Mike - using it as an outline for a modified handbook

Karen Eberly: I reviewed aca and would plan to use if we run playground.

Jennifer Fean: Same

Michael Kurland: Manheim township using it as a guide but also our own protocols

Lauren Irizarry: **Does anyone have a covid-19 waiver that they are using?**

Kayla Drummond: no

Karen Eberly: Our state licensed day care program is currently operating under our waiver.

Michele Pilotta: any waiver would have to go through your solicitor, right?

Gina Tophoney: we just sent to our solicitor - waiting on approval

Derek Muller: Generally interested in people's methods to do virtual programming. We are not interested in charging money for them and would most likely limit the amount in a "chat". Would be available to the public

Derek Muller: Would want them live though. Pre-recorded is no problem

Bethany Bachman: **What are you doing for drop off/pick up?**

Derek Mullen : Amazon has a decent COVID-19 section for business accounts

Jennifer Fean: Separate areas for each group of 25

Megan Prusienski: I thought your local EMS coordinator should be able to help with supplies

Derek Muller: Our fire dept. secured a lot

Paul Kopera P&R: I do not perceive an issue. I get the sanitizer for the Township's EMO

Megan Prusienski: ALSO - had no idea, many of our staff bike to work, they are not supposed to drink anything hot/cold within 30 min of taking their temperature.

Derek Muller: The ACA document has a good section on the screening questions and procedure

Jennifer Fean: Separate areas - temp check, etc at drop off. Staff person and walkie talkies for pick up in cars

Megan Prusienski: Our DOH rep said this just yesterday morning. I know a lot of staff come with coffee?

Joanne Lucas Morelli: Megan is that for temperatures taken from the mouth?

Ken Lehr: Megan--Thanks! This probably explains staff temperature fluctuations so far, and why I always read around 96 degrees!

Joanne Lucas Morelli: our temps have been 2+ degrees BELOW norm with the head thermometers

Jennifer Fean: My normal is 97.6 with any thermometer - lol

Derek Muller: We hit 98.6 with ours

Karen Eberly: We did purchase non-contact thermometers in case we run playground. Our child care program is using them now.

Gina Tophoney: We are working with a third party online adventures - <https://www.onlineadventurecamps.com/camp-category/day-camp-adventures/day-camp-mids/>

Megan Prusienski: just talked with their rep, he's great! gives you a promo code that your residents can use and you get a kick back.

Jhane Kunkel: please share the alpaca farm

Megan Prusienski : because of parks and rec I try to post a virtual tour of a national park

Megan Prusienski : Gettysburg opened theirs a few weeks ago and we had a good response because the middle school was supposed to take a trip there so residents were happy.

Ken Lehr: Paul--Good idea for the babysitting network!

Michele Pilotta: **Does anyone know what their course of action is if we DO OPEN and then have to CLOSE (go back to yellow or green)?**

Gina Tophoney: It was mentioned in the earlier roundtable, but the American Red Cross is offering their babysitting cert on-line

Ken Lehr: Thanks for sharing everyone! Although our camps are cancelled, I may be able to steal...I mean use some of your ideas for offerings to help parents and kids survive the summer!

Derek Muller: We're seeing it more as a 3-4 hour break for the parents rather than a steady camp. Very much advertising as a program

Group Email Addresses – *available on Summer Camp Google Doc (link above)*