



COVID-19 “At-Risk” Camp Participant Statement and Acknowledgement

Your safety and the safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is the Jersey Shore Council’s top priority. In light of COVID-19, we are taking additional precautions at camp on top of our long-established health and safety measures.

First, our council health and safety advisory committee, which is comprised of physicians and health-care professionals, has coordinated with New Jersey and Ocean County health departments to ensure we are aware of and follow their guidance to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 at camp.

Our mitigation plan includes:

- Pre-attendance education,
- Health screening upon your arrival at camp conducted by our camp health officers, which will also include a temperature check.
Limits on visitors in camp. All campers will be screened upon arrival before entry to camp.
- Hygiene reminders throughout camp experience.
- Extra handwashing /sanitizer stations throughout camp.
- Dedicated staff to clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared program equipment.
- An emergency response plan that includes isolation and quarantine protocol should a person at camp develop symptoms of COVID-19 or other communicable disease.

These precautions are important, but they do not remove the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp. Some people with COVID-19 show no signs or symptoms of illness but can still spread the virus, and people may be contagious before their symptoms occur. These factors mean that an infected person may pass the required health screenings and be allowed into camp.

We also know the nature of camp makes social distancing difficult in many situations and impossible in others.

Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. *If you are in this group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider prior to attending camp.*

We know that each staff member, volunteer, and Scouting family has a unique set of circumstances to consider when deciding whether to attend camp. We hope this information will be helpful as you make those choices.

Camper’s Name: _____ Parent’s Name: _____

Date: _____ Parent’s Signature: _____

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