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## **STV Summer Service Camp 2021**

*St. Thomas of Villanova Church continues to closely monitor the rapidly changing situation and information provided by the federal and state agencies including the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), the PA Department of Health, and the Governor of Pennsylvania regarding COVID-19, our goal is to deliver a summer service camp in accordance with the guidelines that have been put forth by these agencies. As changes and new information is put forth by these agencies, we are prepared to respond and adapt accordingly to the best of our abilities. As substantial information impacts the following procedures, updates will be communicated. Please know this situation and the corresponding guidelines are constantly evolving. This, along with other factors, may result in the closure of part, or our entire program at any time. Camper health and safety, along with that of our camp families, will remain a top priority for us this summer.*

*Please see below for more information on what to expect at camp and the guidelines we will be following as of today's date. The document below outlines how the STV camp will implement the **CDC Guidelines** for reducing transmission of Covid19 based on their guidance provided on **January 4, 2021** and includes various links that provide more information. You can also visit the following page at the CDC website to retrieve this information. Any modifications or new information will be evaluated and incorporated as necessary. Please see this link for FAQs provide by the PA Department of Health.*

### **Guiding Principles to Keep in Mind:**

The more people a camper or staff member interacts with, and the longer that interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread. The risk of COVID-19 spread increases in youth camp settings as follows:

- **Lowest Risk:** Small groups of campers stay together all day, each day. Campers remain at least 6 feet apart and do not share objects. Outdoor activities are prioritized. All campers are from the local geographic area (e.g., city, town, county, community).
- **More Risk:** Campers mix between groups but remain at least 6 feet apart and do not share objects. Outdoor activities are prioritized. All campers are from the local geographic area (e.g., community, town, city, or county).
- **Even More Risk:** Campers mix between groups and do not remain spaced apart. All campers are from the local geographic area (e.g., community, town, city, or county).
- **Highest Risk:** Campers mix between groups and do not remain spaced apart. All campers are not from the local geographic area (e.g., community, town, city, or county).

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### Guidelines in place to reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19:

#### **Before Campers Arrive:**

- Daily arrival (and dismissal) will be structured and staggered within a pre-communicated, definite time frame and your camp group will be assigned a specific arrival time.
- Daily group arrival time frames will be staggered to avoid group overlaps.
- Parents/Guardians and Campers will remain in their vehicle the entire time as you enter the drop off location.
- Each camper (counselors and staff member prior to starting work for the day) will receive a temperature and symptom check assessment before they are permitted to leave their vehicle and enter the camp site.
  - A symptom check assessment includes cough, shortness of breath, diarrhea, fatigue, headache, muscle aches and pains, nausea, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, vomiting, or the overall not feeling like yourself.
  - Any camper registering a temperature of 100.4 degrees or more will not be permitted to attend camp or return to camp for at least 72 hours and until their temperature checks below 100.4
- Upon meeting the temperature check requirements, the camper will be permitted to enter the camp site and will be assigned to a designated daily welcome area. Each group will have its own designated and separate daily welcome area.
- Campers and staff are asked to stay home if they are not feeling well. We also ask that any parents/guardians who are not feeling well not approach the camp site.
  - Not feeling well can be defined by having a fever of 100.4 °F or greater, cough, shortness of breath, diarrhea, fatigue, headache, muscle aches and pains, nausea, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, vomiting, or the overall not feeling like yourself.
- At any time prior to or during the camp operating period, it is the responsibility of the camp family to disclose if there has been a Covid-19 diagnosis or exposure either by any family member living in the household or by the camper. In addition, they are asked to inform us of any recent travel abroad by any family member living in the household or by someone visiting the household. **Please contact Maria Luby at 610-563-7099.**

#### **During Camp:**

- Campers and staff will be placed into small groups that will stay together within that camp group each day and for the entire duration of camp.
- The size of each group will not exceed more than 10.
- Each camp group will be separated from the other camp groups throughout the day.
- From the daily welcome area, campers will proceed through several designated activity areas that will be pre-assigned.
- Service activities will happen indoors for 2.5 hrs each day. Each day we will plan to spend about 1.5 hours outdoors for breaks & outdoor activities.

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- Campers are asked to bring a small draw string bag (not a school backpack) each day in which belongings will be stored. The drawstring bag will accompany the camper throughout the day.
- Campers will bring their own disposable lunch/snack/water bottle each day - snacks/lunch will be eaten outdoors.
- At the beginning of camp, staff members will conduct group trainings and there will be demonstrations on behaviors and precautions campers should abide by to prevent the spread of COVID-19, including:
  - How and when to effectively wash and sanitize hands along with when to take breaks to do so.
  - How to practice social distancing in various settings at camp.
  - What symptoms to look out for and when to report them and to whom.
  - When it is appropriate to stay home.
  - What the appropriate coughing and sneezing etiquette looks like.
  - How the virus can spread and how to prevent it from spreading.
  - What the camp is doing to protect campers from getting sick.
  - Other camp-specific policies or guidelines.
- Reducing transmission during camp:
  - Hand sanitizer will also be available at each camp site. There will be units that have a touchless sensor. In addition, campers will also be asked to bring their own hand sanitizer each day to ensure availability and usage when away from the camp's hand sanitizer unit.
  - Campers will wash their hands at the start of each day. Campers will be reminded to wash with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Staff members will guide campers on proper handwashing techniques.
  - Tissues will be available at the camp site. In addition, campers will also be asked to bring their own pack of tissues each day to ensure availability and usage when away from the location of the camp's tissues. All used tissues must be thrown away immediately and campers must wash their hands or use hand sanitizer immediately.
  - Campers will be asked to wash their hands before they eat.
  - Adequate supplies will be provided during camp, including soap, hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol (for staff and older campers who can safely use hand sanitizer), paper towels, tissues, disinfectant wipes, cloth face coverings (as feasible), and no-touch trash cans.
- Face coverings:
  - STV Staff will wear face coverings/masks
  - We will encourage campers and counselors to wear a face covering or mask when feasible, however, it will not be possible to have their mask or face covering on 100% of the time. We will make every effort to encourage the practice of wearing a face covering or mask.
  - We ask that all campers & counselors wear face coverings during drop off/pick up and other times when the campers are not active.
  - Extra consideration will be given to campers who are unable to maintain the wearing of a face covering or mask for extended periods of time, due to sensory-based concerns, or at times when extra breathing is needed such as during physical activity.
  - Campers and staff will be encouraged to bring their own face covering or mask and it should be comfortable and secure. Surgical face masks will be available each day at camp

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for anyone who does not have a face covering or mask, and the same expectations above for wearing them will apply.

- Signage
  - Signage will be posted and reviewed with campers at each site in accordance with all noted guidelines.
  - Where possible, all signage details and guidelines, images and/or videos will be shared with parents/guardians before the start of camp.
  - Routine announcements will be made at camp to provide campers with reminders about the corresponding guidelines and procedures.

### **After Campers leave:**

The CDC has provide guidance on how to maintain a healthy environment. These guidelines will be followed by STV Staff.

- Camp facilities, including bathrooms, will be maintained and serviced prior to the start of camp each day.
- Staff members will give extra attention to frequently touched areas such as bathroom door handles, sink levers, door latches and other determined areas and they will be cleaned routinely during the camp time frame.
- At the conclusion of each day, camp supplies will be sprayed with a disinfectant sprayer to disinfect all surfaces and equipment.
- All sports equipment and supplies that may be shared during a game or activity will be disinfected thoroughly each day with a disinfectant sprayer. All items will be dried and prepared for the next day of camp

### **If a Camper Gets sick:**

We will follow the CDC provided guidelines for if a camper gets sick. Those guidelines are as follows:

- Make sure that staff and families know that they (staff) or their children (families) should not come to camp, and that they should notify camp officials (e.g., the designated COVID-19 point of contact) if they (staff) or their child (families) become sick with COVID-19 [symptoms](#), test positive for COVID-19, or have been [exposed](#) to someone with symptoms or a confirmed or suspected case.
- Immediately separate staff and campers with COVID-19 [symptoms](#) (such as fever, cough, or shortness of breath) at camp. Individuals who are sick should go home and or to a healthcare facility depending on how severe their symptoms are, and follow [CDC guidance for caring for yourself or others](#) who are sick.
- If a camper/counselor becomes sick while at camp, the parent of the camper/counselor will be contacted immediately to pick-up their child from camp via the emergency contact number provided. The parent/guardian will need to pick up his/her camper as soon as possible. In the meantime, the camper will be asked to wait in a pre-designated comfortable area at the camp site away from the other campers (but able to be supervised by a staff member) until the parent/guardian arrives.

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- Any exposed areas by a contaminated camper or staff members will be cleaned and sanitized as quickly as possible. This area may also remain off-limits until deemed safe to reopen. Campers and staff members will be restricted from the exposed area.

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## **Daily Health Screening of Staff and Children for COVID-19**

Below is the enhanced screening criteria for use during the COVID-19.

The person doing screenings should maintain a six-foot distance while asking questions. Ask each staff person and person dropping off children the following questions before they enter the facility. Exclude anyone who answers YES to the following questions:

### **Ask everyone who enters the building:**

- Do you or do any of the children you are dropping off have a fever\*, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, new loss of taste or smell (vomiting or diarrhea, children only)?
- Have you or any of the children you are dropping off:
  - Had any of these symptoms since last time you were last here?
  - Been in contact with anyone with fever\*, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, new loss of taste or smell (vomiting or diarrhea, children only) since the last time you were here?
  - Potentially been exposed\*\* to COVID-19 or have reason to believe you/they have COVID-19?

\*Fever is determined by a thermometer reading 100.4 or higher or by subjective signs such as flushed cheeks, fatigue, extreme fussiness, chills, shivering, sweating, achiness, headache, not eating or drinking.

\*\*Exposure is sharing a household or having close contact with anyone with COVID 19 or has symptoms of COVID 19.

### **Screen children and staff by:**

- Making a visual inspection of the person for signs of infection such as flushed cheeks, fatigue, or irritability.
- Conduct temperature screening using the protocol below