COVID-19 Policies and Precautions

Arboretum Summer Camp is adhering to guidelines provided by the Washington Department of Health for summer day camps and the requirements of the University of Washington’s Office for Youth Program Development and Support. We successfully ran summer camp in both 2020 and 2021 and continue to update and incorporate the latest COVID-19 protocols.

The policies outlined below reflect our current plans for summer 2022, but are subject to change as guidance from public health officials is updated. We will communicate changes in the policies below to camp families by email. Please review this section carefully, as changes to Washington State and University of Washington policy have changed summer camp protocols since the time of registration.

You will receive a full or prorated refund if you cancel due to COVID-19 related concerns. Please see additional details in the Cancellations and Refunds policies. To cancel your registration, email uwbgeduc@uw.edu with “Camp Cancellation” in the subject line.

Masking

Beginning March 28, 2022, the University of Washington only requires face masks at select facilities, such as health care centers. Therefore, UW Botanic Gardens Youth and Family Programs, including Arboretum Summer Camp, will be under a “masks optional” policy. As of today, UW still recommends masks in childcare settings. Additional recommendations and details can be found in the UW’s Face Covering Policy.

Campers and staff are allowed to make individual choices about their mask usage. Camp staff will support the masking decision your family makes, and can help remind or encourage your camper to wear their mask if desired. Regardless of your masking decision, all campers and staff must have a well-fitting mask with them every day as masks are required in the following circumstances:

- During clusters or outbreaks of COVID-19 (as advised by the UW COVID-19 Response and Prevention Team and/or the King County Public Health Department).
- Individuals showing or reporting symptoms of COVID-19 while in the program environment must wear a mask while waiting to leave the program or facility.
- Individuals returning from isolation following a positive case of COVID-19 must wear a mask on days 6-10 if they are not able to show evidence of a negative test after day 5.

Vaccination

Staff: All UW personnel, including summer camp staff, are required to be vaccinated or have an approved exemption.

Campers: We strongly recommend that campers are up to date on their vaccinations. We will not require that campers be vaccinated and will not check participant vaccination records. This is a change since the time of registration.

Health Screening and Symptoms

We are asking staff and families to conduct daily health screenings at home, prior to arrival at camp. You may wish to use the CDC Coronavirus Self-Checker or the list of symptoms below:

Updated 5/13/22
Symptoms of COVID-19

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Symptoms list from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (May 2022)

If your camper displays one or more of these symptoms, please remain home and get tested for COVID-19. Contact Arboretum Summer Camp staff (uwbgeduc@uw.edu) to notify us of the situation. Even after a negative test, we request that campers remain at home until 24 hours after the end of a fever AND until symptoms have significantly improved.

Isolation of symptomatic individuals

Any staff or camper who reports or exhibits COVID-19-like symptoms will be immediately isolated from others, sent home, and referred to diagnostic testing, regardless of vaccination status.

While waiting to leave camp, the individual must wear a well-fitting face mask that:

- Covers both the nose and the mouth
- Fits snugly on the face even through vigorous physical activity
- Your camper can put on and take off independently, without assistance
- Is not a buff/neck gaiter

COVID-19 Exposures

Current Washington State Department of Health Guidance has different guidelines for responses to COVID-19 exposure based on vaccination status. As outlined above, we will not be requiring or checking camper vaccination status. If your camper has a known COVID-19 exposure, please follow the steps below based on their vaccination status.

If your child has a known exposure to COVID-19 and is vaccinated, Arboretum Summer Camp requests:

- Please email us at uwbgeduc@uw.edu to notify us of the situation as soon as possible so we can determine a return-to-camp plan.
- The camper should take a COVID-19 test before returning to camp.
- If the original test was immediately following the exposure, we ask that campers take an additional test between Days 3-5.
- The camper should wear a well-fitting mask through Day 10 after exposure and continue to monitor for symptoms.
- If they develop one or more symptoms, a camper should remain home and test for COVID-19. Even after testing negative, we request that the camper remain at home until 24 hours after the end of a fever AND until symptoms have significantly improved.

If your child has a known exposure to COVID-19 and is not vaccinated, Arboretum Summer Camp requests:

- Please email us at uwbgeduc@uw.edu to notify us of the situation as soon as possible.

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• In accordance with the Washington Department of Health COVID-19 Guidance (updated 4/20/22), unvaccinated individuals should quarantine at home for at least five days after exposure.
• The camper should take a COVID-19 test before returning to camp (if there are camp session days remaining after the five-day quarantine).
• The camper should wear a well-fitting mask through Day 10 after the exposure and continue to monitor for symptoms.
• If they develop one or more symptoms, a camper should remain home and test for COVID-19. Even after testing negative, we request that the camper remain at home until 24 hours after the end of a fever AND until symptoms have significantly improved.

COVID-19 Cases
Please inform Arboretum Summer Camp staff as soon as possible if your camper tests positive for COVID-19. Washington State Department of Health Guidance and UW Policy requires that we report all cases of COVID-19 to the UW COVID-19 Response and Prevention Team and King County Public Health.

Camp families will be notified of potential exposures in their immediate trail group and pod. All notifications will keep the camper information anonymous to protect their privacy.

Other Mitigation and Hygiene Practices
In addition to the policies and procedures outlined above, the following

• **Increased ventilation and physical distancing:** As an entirely outdoor program, we are able to operate camps in the lowest-risk setting and spread out groups and individuals. In addition, we will continue to use pods and trail groups that limit the number of close contacts for campers and staff.
• **Handwashing and respiratory etiquette:** Campers and staff will wash hands and/or use hand sanitizer throughout the day. We will also be modeling respiratory etiquette, e.g. sneezing into the elbow, rather than hands.
• **Cleaning and disinfection:** We will regularly clean and thoroughly disinfect high touch surfaces and restrooms.

Cancellation and Refunds
This summer, we are exercising as much flexibility as possible around camp cancellations. If you need to cancel camp, please let us know as soon as possible. We have long waiting lists full of families that would love your spot if it no longer works for your camper and family.

Below are some more detailed cancellation policies:

• **If you cancel for COVID-19 reasons:** If you must cancel your registration for COVID-19 related health reasons, where quarantine is recommended or required because of exposure or symptoms, we appreciate your precaution and will provide a refund for any missed days.

  We cannot guarantee a refund for days missed due to quarantine following planned air travel that interferes with camp attendance. Current CDC guidelines recommend a five-day self-quarantine after travel.

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• If you cancel for non-COVID-19 reasons:

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