



March 19, 2021

### **XL Summer Camp Updates due to COVID**

XL Camp Families,

In these extraordinary times in which we have all been faced with a new normal, we know summer camp at XL Sports World may look a little different this year. As we navigate new protocols and procedures the one thing that will not change is XL's commitment to your family. Establishing and maintaining a safe, healthy, and FUN camp experience for every child remains our top priority. Unlike past years, we are presented with a different reality in the wake of public health recommendations and government mandates. While following these guidelines, our team is continuing to explore all options, protocols and health practices that factor into our ability to deliver summer camp safely.

We have implemented many new procedures and protocols to ensure your child's safety; we are committed to following the government-mandated regulations set forth by the State of NJ Department of Health, CDC, and the American Camp Association. Our goal of XL Summer Camp is always to provide a safe, healthy, and fun camp experience for every child.

We do not have the 2021 New Jersey Department of Health Guidelines. As soon as they are made available, we will make any/all adjustments to our camp program to be in compliance.

Procedures that were put into place for our 2020 Summer Camp will remain until we have the updated guidelines.

**Health Screening** – Parents are required to do a health screening and temperature check at home before coming to camp. If your child, or family member, is experiencing any of the following symptoms, please do not bring your child to camp:

- Temperature above 99.9
- Cough
- Shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Muscle aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Nausea
- New loss of taste or smell

All XL staff will also undergo a daily health screening upon arrival. Any camper that exhibits these symptoms during camp will be immediately quarantined and required to be picked up within the hour.

**Camp Hours** – Our camp doors open at 7am. All campers must be picked up by 6 pm. During camp hours per the NJ Guidelines, only campers and staff are permitted in the building.

**Drop Off** - Drop off and pick up will look different this year, as it will take place right inside the door. We will have staff out front to guide you through the process. Only one parent is permitted to enter the building. Our staff will complete a health screening of each camper prior to entering the bldg. You will be asked: if you have completed a temperature check and a few other health questions. Check in will take place right inside the front door.

**Pick up** – One parent may enter to pick up their camper. You must have a mask. After you have shown your ID, you will exit the bldg. and wait out front. We will bring your child to you as quickly as possible. Only campers and staff are permitted in the building during camp hours.

**Face Masks**- All staff will be required to wear masks. **Anyone dropping off or picking up a camper is required to wear a face mask.** The CDC recommends that all campers bring face masks; we will encourage campers to wear them while switching surfaces; however, they will not be required to wear them while participating in activities. This measure will likely be the protocol for schools in September as well.

**Field Trips/Swimming** - We are hoping to be able to offer field trips and swim trips this summer. We were unable to offer them last summer due to the NJ Guidelines however and our campers had an AWESOME summer. We will post any updates as soon as they become available. Splash day will still be offered to PK & K on the regularly scheduled days.

**Lunch** – We are hoping to be able to resume our lunch program at XL. As soon as the guidelines are available from NJ Dept. of Health, we will post any updates on this site.

**Activities** - Our activities at XL summer camp will run as scheduled, with little modification. There will be staggered scheduling to create social distancing. In lieu of free time, we are offering an additional elective period. See electives in the parent handbook.

**Groups**- Campers are placed in the grade they just completed. Each grade will be divided into smaller groups. We will make sure that campers remain in the same group as their friends.

**Orientation**- Parent orientation will take place via zoom this year. The link will be sent out to all registered campers by June 30. Our Directors will go over a typical day for our campers and go through some of the new procedures. It is a good chance for you to “meet” them.

Orientation dates: Mt. Laurel June 9 @ 6:30 pm    Cherry Hill June 8 @ 6:30 pm

**Sanitization-** Campers and staff will wash/ sanitize their hands when entering camp, before and after every activity. Stations will be set up throughout our facility. Campers groups will have their own equipment for the day, and it is sanitized at the end of the day. We have a full time XL Clean Team on site all day during camp and professional cleaners that come in at night and clean and sanitize for the next camp day.

**Parent Handbook** – Please review the Parent Handbook that is available on our website. This will answer many of your questions about scheduling, payments, and activities.

**I know there are quite a few changes this year, but please remember these changes are all in place to keep your child safe and limit contact. Do not worry... there is plenty for them to do in our facility and we will keep them safe, active, and having fun!**

If you have not already registered and would like to enroll, please go to our website:

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Best,

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