



## **NORTHERN FRONTIER**

### **COVID-19 Added Protocols and New Procedures**

For Parents/Guardians

#### **1. Arrival Screening**

As per the New York State Department of Health:

- Screeners should be provided and use PPE, including at a minimum, a face mask, and may include gloves, a gown, and/or a face shield.
- For children/campers arriving to a program via bus transportation and for staff who provide supervision on the bus, screening must be completed prior to boarding the bus, where feasible.
- All campers and staff must meet one of the four criteria and provide documentation online or in-person upon arrival:
  1. Proof of a negative diagnostic PCR test result for COVID-19 within 72 hrs. of arrival at camp.
  2. Received the COVID-19 vaccine 14 days prior to the arrival at camp.
  3. Proof of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 3 months.
  4. Have a negative test result from an at-home COVID-19 rapid antigen test within 6-hrs of arrival.
- At minimum, screening must include temperature checks and 4 diagnostic questions:
  1. Have you been in close contact or proximate contact in the last 10 days with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or who had symptoms?
  2. Have you tested positive through a diagnostic test for COVID-19 in the past 10 days?
  3. Have you experienced in the last 10 days symptoms of COVID-19 or a temperature greater than 100.4 degrees?
  4. Have you traveled within the past 10 days and not complied with the NY State Travel Advisory?

Changes at NORTHERN FRONTIER as a result of New York State Policy:

- This summer we are planning to add another nurse to our Saturday check-in procedures to speed up the process.
- When you arrive at the gate on our property, you will be asked before you drive in if you have the required documents (proof of negative COVID test, proof of completed COVID vaccine shot, or documentation of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 3 months).
- We are asking that only 1 Parent/Guardian come into camp for check-in, or pick-up. If siblings must come, we ask that they stay in or around the car at all times.
- Upon arrival, you will initially be directed to see the nurse in the Dining Hall for your health screening and COVID-19 screening.
- Then, you will proceed to a large outdoor tent to have our office staff check in your son(s) and settle any remaining balance on your account. If you have not already addressed food allergies or dietary concerns, please do so at the time of check-in.

- Next, you will walk your son toward his cabin. Only campers can enter the cabin, even during move-in. Parents, please do not go into the cabin.
- Finally, please say your good-byes and return to your car. We are trying to make Saturday check-ins quicker and safer for all, while not increasing the risk of COVID-19 exposure for NF. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

### Charter Bus

If your son(s) are arriving via the charter bus, please know that we will have a designated staff or alumni staff performing a COVID-19 health screening prior to boarding. While wearing a mask the staffer will check your son(s) temperature, ask him the 4 questions above and request documented proof of negative COVID-19 test result, proof of COVID-19 vaccine, or documentation of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 3 months). If less than 14 days have passed since the final shot of the vaccine series your son(s) would need a negative COVID-19 test result. When they board the charter bus they can sit in their own row, one boy per side. Masks will be worn on the bus unless someone shows proof of vaccination. Upon arrival at camp this process will be checked again by the nurse as campers submit their health forms, get their health screening, and submit proof of negative COVID-19 test or completed COVID-19 vaccine series.

## **2. Daily Screening**

As per the New York State Department of Health:

- At minimum, screening must include temperature checks and asking the 3rd question above morning and evening.

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- At NF, every cabin will have a designated collegian counselor who will use an infrared thermometer to check the temperature of those in the cabin (campers and staff), as well as ask the boys if they have experienced any symptoms of COVID-19 before morning line-up and after evening line-up. If a camper, answers “yes” or has a temperature over 100.4 degrees they will be taken to the nurse. We will then administer a COVID-19 15-minute rapid test. If the test is positive the camper’s family will be called immediately to come pick him up. All asymptomatic campers in that cabin/stable group with the vaccine or who have had COVID-19 within 3 months may remain in camp. Other campers in the cabin/stable group without the vaccine will be quarantined immediately while their parents are notified to come pick them up.

## **3. Staff and Campers**

As per the New York State Department of Health:

- Social distancing and face covering requirements do not apply to those who are fully vaccinated (14 days after completion of vaccine series). All other individuals are considered unvaccinated.
- Children/campers 2 and older and staff who are not fully vaccinated wear face coverings except when eating, drinking, showering, swimming, or sleeping/resting. Children/campers may also remove face coverings OUTDOORS when they are unable to tolerate a face covering for physical activity. Older unvaccinated

children/campers are strongly encouraged but not required to wear face coverings indoors as feasible. Children/campers 1st grade and older are not required to wear a face covering when utilizing the outdoor space that belongs to and/or is exclusively used by the children's camp.

- Face coverings must be worn by individuals who are not fully vaccinated while indoors and during transportation.
- The NYS DOH strongly recommends masks for indoor settings where the vaccination status is unknown.
- Cabins/stable groups that include unvaccinated children/campers must maintain at least a 6-ft distance from other cabins/stable groups.
- Acceptable face coverings for COVID-19 include but are not limited to cloth-based 2-ply face coverings, and disposable masks ONLY. For medical staff N95 masks are required.
- During rest and sleeping times children/campers will sleep at least 6-ft apart and head to toe for the duration of rest, when feasible.

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- While outside at NF, masks will be not required. Boys may choose to wear one or not to wear one.
- If your son(s) are in their cabins and on or around their bed masks will not be mandated. If your son(s) are moving through highly traffic or crowded areas like the bathroom, sink areas, entrance/exit of dining hall, or in our wash house, they may be requested to wear a mask. If they are 6-ft away in line outside masks are not mandated.
- When transitioning from inside to outside or outside to inside campers must wear masks as they are unable to socially distance from others entering or exiting. Indoor activities in the Craft Shop will also require them to wear masks. In the Dining Hall, once at their table, they may remove their masks. If camper/staff are attending church or indoor campfire, masks must remain on for the duration.
- Campers who are fully vaccinated or have had COVID-19 within 3 months do not need to wear a mask when indoors or outdoors.
- Approved masks at NF include 2-ply face coverings and disposable masks only (no buffs, no bandanas).
- All unvaccinated campers will need to wear a mask when being transported in a vehicle.

#### **4. Child Care Program and Camp Activities**

As per the New York State Department of Health:

- No face coverings worn while in the water.
- Keep cabin/stable groups that include unvaccinated children/campers separated by at least 6-ft between the groups during activities
- Encourage sports that involve less physical contact or less shared equipment and gear that cannot be cleaned and disinfected between uses.
- Serve individual portions to children/campers and staff.
- Keep cabin/stable groups of children/campers separated.
- Separate tables with seating at least 6-ft apart from other tables.
- Separate seating for all children/campers and staff who are not fully vaccinated, including those within cabins/stable groups, by at least 6-ft when feasible.

- Large indoor spaces such as cafeterias and gymnasiums may be utilized by multiple cabin/stable groups when the space is configured to have separate and distinct areas for each cabin/stable group that maintains 6ft from other cabins/stable groups.

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- At NF, we will not mandate masks for any activities at the waterfront.
- We are planning to have all cabins/stable groups stay 6-ft apart from each other.
- All dining room tables will be 6-ft apart.
- We will designate a staff at every table to be the food server (they will wear masks and gloves when they serve all campers their individual food). We will also designate a staff for clean-up at every table.
- At NF for outdoor campfires we are going to have cabins/stable groups sit 6ft apart from other cabin/stable groups without masks on. There may be times when we have campers/staff wearing masks when and if appropriate.

## **5. Hygiene Cleaning and Disinfection**

As per the New York State Department of Health:

- We must provide and maintain hand washing and hygiene stations on site
- Hand sanitizer must contain a least 60% alcohol.
- Hand washing/sanitizing before and after eating, using the bathroom, and before and after program activities.

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- At NF, we have hand sanitizer at all activity areas. They will be located near the entrances and exits. They will be near the door to every cabin.
- We have signage to encourage campers to maintain 6-ft social distancing when waiting in lines or around other people, wearing masks, and to frequently wash their hands.
- We will ensure our bathrooms, wash houses, and other highly trafficked areas will be sanitized more frequently and as needed.
- Any shared piece of equipment, gear, or personal safety device will be sprayed or wiped with a sanitizing agent after every use (life jacket, basketball, rifle, bow, slingshot, helmet, paddle, etc.)

## **6. Quarantining and Parent/Guardian Role**

As per the New York State Department of Health:

- Enrollment in camp must be limited to campers whose parents/guardian agree to be available to pick up campers upon 24-hr notice
- Staff and campers displaying signs or symptoms of COVID-19 must obtain a diagnostic test to determine the need for them and others to isolate or quarantine
- A rapid COVID-19 diagnostic test is acceptable for determining if a symptomatic person is positive with COVID-19.
- Asymptomatic campers who are fully vaccinated or have recovered from laboratory confirmed COVID-19 in the previous 3 months who screen positive for COVID-19 exposure may remain at camp.

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- If your son(s) experiences symptoms while at camp they will be quarantined in our health hut quarantine room or our designated quarantine cabin and given a rapid COVID-19 test by our medical staff.
- Parents of those quarantined will be called and will need to come pickup their son within 24-hrs.

We are excited to have camp open this summer! We also continue to keep the health and safety of all campers and staff our top concern while operating according to NY State in order to receive our operating permit. We plan to run camp as close to how we have in the past with a few changes. We are grateful for your partnership in this as well as your PRAYERS as we partner together in raising up your boys to godly men.