



Date: January 12, 2021

From: Bob Strodel, Executive Director

Subject: Winnepesaukee Winter Weekends

The last 10 months have not been normal for anyone, and we will all continue to feel the impact of COVID-19 in some fashion going forward.

Due to unreasonable restrictive guidelines established by the New Hampshire Governor for the operation of Residential Camps, we were not able to run our traditional youth camps at Brookwoods and Deer Run this past summer. We totally understand the need for our camp families to get outside in the out-of-doors, and to participate in some fun activities. Therefore, our staff have re-programmed the Winter to host Winnepesaukee Winter Weekends. The program is designed to allow a family group who have been practicing social distancing, to have some time away from home and participate in multiple out-of-door activities. Each weekend will be conducted with the best and latest information we can obtain from the COVID-19 Reopening Guidance from the State of New Hampshire.

To comply with currently existing State guidelines, the following expectations will be maintained during the weekend:

1. Families will be assigned individual cabins and remain in their “social distancing” unit for a mask-free environment.
2. A mask is required when social distancing cannot be maintained, for you, as much as for others.
3. Camp staff will maintain a regular schedule for cleaning and sanitizing public spaces and will wear masks when unable to social distance.
4. In the Dining Hall, camp will provide extra space adequate distance and achieve less than 50% capacity between tables when indoor seating is required for meals.
5. Families own responsibility for their health care and supervision of their children. If you or a member of your family is feeling at all unwell prior to arrival, please call the office to reschedule your weekend, or request a refund.
6. Food Service will be making preparations, serving, and clean up adjustments per the State guidelines.
7. If you live OUTSIDE New England, each participant will be asked to sign a document attesting that they have remained at home for at least 10 days before arrival in New Hampshire, only going out for essential items or outdoor exercise; and when outside the home, maintained social distancing and wore face coverings when within 6 feet of another person. *Download this [document](#), print it out and sign. It must be presented upon arrival.*
8. It is in everyone’s best interest to “self-quarantine” a few weeks before camp to limit the chance of exposure. After being careful for two weeks, continue to be vigilant on your way TO camp when using public facilities. Masks and hand sanitizer should be utilized. Initially, we will be conducting a brief “health screening” (temperature check and health questions) at check in when we collect your paperwork.
9. Consider the impact of any particular health issues you or your child might be facing. COVID-19 appears to have the greatest impact on those over 65, but also those who have asthma, are immunocompromised or with severe obesity. If you have concerns, talk to your family doctor.
10. We do NOT allow “Day Visitors” for the weekend.

SPECIAL COVID-19 DISCLOSURE, ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND WAIVER

Parents, we at Brookwoods want to communicate with you regarding the unique circumstances we are dealing with this year with COVID-19. The normal patterns of life have been disrupted, people have been asked to stay at home, schools transitioned to on-line formats for the Spring, medical staff have been heroic in dealing with sick patients, and we have all been praying for individuals and families impacted.

To make sure we have sound communication, Brookwoods has modified our normal risk acknowledgement to include some specific COVID-19 items. This form must be read, signed and delivered to Brookwoods for your family to participate.

With respect to COVID-19, Brookwoods will endeavor to conduct safe programs, and to inform our families of inherent risks. Safety is an essential element of the activities we offer, and we are striving to observe reasonable precautions. At Brookwoods, risks exist for the transmission of communicable diseases and viruses, including COVID-19. We strive to conduct our programs according to practices and procedures recommended by the American Camping Association & CDC, and guidelines set by State and local health organizations. COVID-19 presents inherent difficulties because knowledge concerning the virus is not complete, there is no vaccine currently available, and it is extremely contagious. Parents also acknowledge their responsibility to ensure any family member arriving at camp has not been exposed to sickness or virus before arrival at camp.

We ask you to acknowledge that Brookwoods cannot guarantee you or your child will not contract or come in contact with COVID-19 or any similar virus. You also acknowledge your cooperation is necessary to provide as safe an environment as possible with respect to Brookwoods' operations in dealing with COVID-19, including providing to us accurate information. **Your submission of this document attests that each individual** who lives OUTSIDE New England, have remained at home for at least 10 days before arrival in New Hampshire, only going out for essential items or outdoor exercise; and when outside the home, maintained social distancing and wore face coverings when within 6 feet of another person.

Date: _____

Parent _____

Parent: _____

Child's Name _____ Age _____

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