# THE SUCCESSFUL RETURN OF CAMP GRAY PROGRAMMING



Camp Gray is committed to finding creative and safe solutions to allow the return of summer camp programming.

We are working closely with the guidelines given by the CDC and ACA (American Camp Association) as well as from our local health authorities. As a Pediatrician, our Consulting Physician Dr. Reeder follows all the recommendations and policies released by the AAP (American Academy of Pediatrics). We will stay up to date with the findings and continue to update our procedures and policies for summer 2021 accordingly. Because information on this virus and the experts' recommendations are subject to change, we do expect some changes to our plans to occur before, and perhaps during, summer camp. Please know that we are working hard to make this summer the best it can be, and our camp families will be the first to know about any updated policies or plans for 2021.

While we continue to hope for great advances before summer, COVID will still be with us in some form, and we will build on the experience from camps and other organizations across the country to be ready for a healthy summer.

### **Important Takeaways**

- Camp sessions will run Sunday to Thursday this year. By shortening sessions by one day we will be able to ensure a healthier staff and be able to accommodate enhanced cleaning procedures between groups.
- Cabin groups will be partnered into 'House Groups' that will engage in the vast majority of their daily schedule together. This eliminates any unnecessary mixing of groups and significantly lowers the number of contacts every camper has during the week.
- 3. Enhanced measures for cleaning and sanitation will be in place to keep Camp Gray clean and safe for your camper.







# Our plan for the summer is based on the following assumptions:

- 1. We continue to believe we can operate safely
- 2. Regulations allow us to operate in a reasonable manner
- 3. COVID-19 will still be present in our communities and possibly at Camp

### Is Camp Gray Right For You in 2021?

While we want you to be confident in the measures that will be put in place to mitigate the spread of all communicable diseases this summer, there is still risk involved in being a part of the Camp Gray experience. The detailed plan that follows is here for you to consider as you discern the best decision for your whole family.

# Blueprint for Changing Lives During the Pandemic

#### Check-In/Check-Out at Camp

Opening and Closing days will be altered for safe arrival and departure to and from camp each session. We will be striving to maintain a healthy and safe environment for our campers and staff, so we will ask that parents stay in their car during drop-off and pick-up. Temperatures will be taken for every camper upon arrival. The normal Sunday swim check will not occur as a part of check-in and will now happen during the first swim time with their cabin on Monday.

#### **Cabin Groups**

Following the advice of the CDC and ACA Camp Gray will be modifying our daily schedule and creating smaller groups of campers who have routine exposure to one another. We will form 'house' groups of two cabins (no more than 16 kids and 4 staff) who will share in the majority of the daily schedule together. In doing so, current guidelines indicate that these house groups will be able to operate as a 'family unit' and will not be required to wear masks when exclusively with one another. These house groups will exclusively share meals together, use the same bathroom, and take part in six activity rotations every day. Whenever campers gather in larger groups or when multiple house groups are in close proximity to one another masks will be required. The tentative daily schedule is attached to this plan.

# Cleaning and Sanitation

We have raised our already thorough sanitation standards to match and exceed recommendations from health care professionals. Our staff already work hard to keep camp clean. We will increase the frequency with which we perform deep cleanings of shared surfaces and indoor facilities, and will deploy extra sanitation teams throughout the day.

# **Health Care and Response**

Camp Gray is always prepared to react swiftly if the need arises. We are experienced in preserving the health of our community. In the event that someone does fall ill at camp in 2021, we have established multi-staged quarantine and isolation procedures that will allow us the time to determine the best response, including whether or not the ill camper or staff member will be able to rejoin the camp population.

# **Refund Policy**

It is our goal to partner and work together with parents to determine if our program is suitable for your child prior to their enrollment. When you enroll your child in our program, you are reserving space, time, meals, supplies, and staffing whether or not your camper attends the program. Your registration helps us continue to make plans and prepare for next summer. We are grateful for your trust.

For families who rolled their registration from 2020, if cancellation is necessary, the full amount of money you rolled over including the deposit is refundable if written notice is received prior to March 1, 2021. There is no refund made for cancellations after March 1, 2021.

For all other families if a cancellation is necessary the camper fee, less the \$100 deposit, is refundable if written notice is received prior to May 1, 2021. There is no refund made for cancellations after May 1, 2021.

If Camp Gray makes the decision to dismiss a camper early due to COVID-19 related concerns, we will communicate with the family and make appropriate prorated refunds. No refund will be made for other late entrance or early withdrawal. The director reserves the right to dismiss any camper who violates the camp rules or is judged detrimental to the general welfare of the camp. No refund will be made in the case of dismissal.

#### **Session Chart 2021**

The Camp Gray session chart for 2021 is ready and on our website. <u>Click here</u> to see our session chart!

#### Communication

The Camp Gray staff is ready to talk about whatever questions you may have about Summer Camp 2021. Give us a call at 608.356.8200 or email bigfun@campgray.com.

# **TENTATIVE DAILY SCHEDULE**

#### TIME EVENT

7:30 Wake up and get ready for the day!

8:00 Breakfast

8:45 Cabin Clean Up

9:15 Activity Rotation #1

10:15 Snack Time!

10:45 Activity Rotation #2

11:50 Daily Mass

12:30 Lunch

1:15 Activity Rotation #3

2:15 Activity Rotation #4

3:20 Activity Rotation #5

4:25 Activity Rotation #6

5:30 Dinner

6:15 Evening Program

8:30 Settlers "Lights Out, All Quiet"

9:15 Trailblazers "Lights Out, All Quiet"

9:45 Pathfinders "Lights Out, All Quiet"

10:30 Explorers "Lights Out, All Quiet"

#### THINGS TO NOTE

- Activity Rotations will include all of the activities you expect at Camp. Canoeing, arts and crafts, archery, swimming, and much more.
- One activity rotation hour in the afternoon will be a rest time for the campers.
- Our house groups for the summer will have exclusive use to certain bathroom facilities for morning and evening routines.
- Mass will happen outdoors when able or in a space that will allow proper distancing between house groups.