

SUMMER AT SAINT MARY'S HALL

HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

As we prepare to kick-off Summer at Saint Mary's Hall, please remember that our first line of defense is you! **If there is any sign of an illness**, do not send your child to campus. The health and safety of our community is our primary objective. Although there is not a guarantee of preventing the spread, we believe that the health and safety protocols outlined below will greatly help in the mitigation of COVID-19.

Campus Access Health Screenings*

In order to keep our campus safe, all campers, teachers, counselors, and volunteers must complete daily our online COVID-19 Screening Questionnaire.

To be given access to campus, all individuals must have a temperature below 100.0° F. We ask parents to keep a close eye on their children and to keep them home if they are not feeling well. Please do not come to campus if the answer is “yes” to any of these questions, which **must be answered daily** through the COVID-19 Screening Questionnaire:

- **Close Contact** – Within the last 14 days, have you had close contact with someone who is currently sick with, suspected of, or confirmed of having COVID-19?
Close contact is defined as less than 6 ft. separation for more than 15 minutes of uninterrupted or sustained contact within the same day, with or without a mask.
- **24-Hour Temperature** – Within the last 24 hours, have you had a temperature at or above 100.0° F?
- **Cough** – Within the last 24 hours, have you experienced a new (not normal for you) uncontrollable cough that causes difficulty breathing?
- **Other Symptoms** – Within the last 24 hours, have you experienced any of the following symptoms: sore throat, vomiting, diarrhea, recent sudden loss of taste or smell, or an atypical (not normal for you) severe headache?

** Disclaimer: This self-screening does not provide a medical diagnosis and is not intended to diagnose, cure, mitigate, treat, or prevent disease or other conditions and is not intended to provide a determination or assessment of your state of health. If you are experiencing a serious health emergency, you should call 911. The list of symptoms above are not inclusive to an illness or infectious state of health. If you have concerns regarding your student's health, please have them STAY HOME and consult a physician.*

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Masks

The primary mode of COVID-19 transmission is through respiratory droplets. Mounting evidence on masks' ability to contain these droplets and limit the spread of COVID-19 has informed our decision to require masks all campers, teachers, counselors, and volunteers while they are indoors, cannot maintain a 6 ft. distance outside, or are eating or drinking.

MASK GUIDELINES

- Acceptable face coverings include double layer cotton masks, disposable surgical masks, or KN95 masks.
- Masks should completely cover the nose and mouth and fit snugly (but comfortably) against the side of the face.
- A new or clean mask should be worn each day. Additional disposable masks will be available in the classroom as well as hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes.

Masks not permitted:

- Studies have shown that neck sleeves/gaiters, bandanas, or scarves are less effective than other types of face masks and should not be worn.
- Face coverings should not have an exhalation valve; although the valve allows you to exhale, it expels droplets.
- Face coverings made of mesh material; mesh does not adequately cover the mouth and nose.

COVID-19 Response/Exposure Protocol

We will follow CDC guidelines for any students, faculty, or staff who test positive for COVID-19. We also have an SMH COVID-19 Response/Exposure Protocol in place. These guidelines include, but are not limited to, notifying the health department of a positive case, informing anyone in our community with potential exposure while maintaining confidentiality, and ensuring the Return to Campus Criteria are met before the infected individual returns to campus.

Should there be a case of a camper, teacher, counselor, and volunteer who tests positive for COVID-19, Saint Mary's Hall will follow CDC guidelines, notify our local health department, and work with the SMH Camp Health Provider. Once notified, SMH will begin the contact tracing process and notify those who may have been in **close contact**** with the individual(s) while they were on campus. While Metro Health will conduct the extensive aspect of contact tracing outside of our community, our SMH Camp Health Provider will focus on protecting and preventing the spread on our campus.

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RETURN TO CAMPUS CRITERIA

In order to be allowed to return to campus, the following criteria must be met:

- 24 hours fever free without the use of medication
- Significant improvement in symptoms
- 10-day quarantine, starting when symptoms first appeared

In addition, the following guidelines will be observed:

- Anyone who **exhibits symptoms** associated with COVID-19 will not be allowed back on campus until the Return to Campus Criteria are met OR a physician provides a note indicating release to return to school.
- Anyone who is **diagnosed with COVID-19** will not be allowed back on campus until the Return to Campus Criteria are met.
- Anyone who is **exposed** in school or at home will be required to follow a mandatory 14-day quarantine. If symptoms develop during this time, a **mandatory** additional 10-day quarantine will begin with the onset of symptoms or with a positive COVID-19 test.

Cleaning Measures

- Classrooms furnished with hand sanitizer and disinfectant spray to wipe surfaces upon class arrival and departure
- Hand sanitizer stations placed in multiple locations
- Restrooms cleaned and disinfected often.
- Limitations placed on number of people in restrooms and other shared spaces at the same time
- Frequently touched surfaces cleaned throughout the day and in the evening with EPA-approved disinfectant
- Increased sanitation procedures in all classrooms and high-traffic areas

Illnesses and Absence Policy

- Families are required to alert Saint Mary's Hall about possible COVID-19 exposures that take place outside of camp. The exposures must be cleared by the Camp Health Provider before campers are allowed to return to campus.
- All families must communicate with us regarding any absence that their child has from an illness or planned trips. They must be cleared by the Camp Health Provider before campers are allowed to return to campus.
- Campers with any COVID-19 symptoms are asked to stay home until they receive a negative COVID-19 test result or have a physician's note indicating release to come to return to camp. Please reference the Return to Campus Criteria section for details.

Travel Guidelines

- Campers, teachers, counselors, and volunteers that travel internationally are asked to quarantine for seven days, and receive a negative COVID-19 test result prior to coming to campus.
- Campers, teachers, counselors, and volunteers who travel to large group locations where social distancing is not possible are also asked to quarantine for seven days, and receive a negative COVID-19 test result prior to coming to campus.

Other Notes

- An SMH Camp Health Provider will be on campus should there be any illnesses or questions of potential exposure to COVID-19.
- Camp groups are structured to have size limits to allow social distancing while inside. Classrooms have been arranged to accommodate social distancing. Class sizes have been reduced and space has been repurposed to ensure ample space within classrooms.
- Weather permitting, all meals and snacks will be served in the Peggy Pitman Mays Dining Hall with 6 ft. of social distancing.
- Parents and visitors may **ONLY** access campus to pick up/drop off their campers, unless they are part of our essential operations.