

Summer Programming COVID-19 Safety Operations

Future Stars Southampton

*Please be aware that significant changes have been made to our summer programming policies in light of COVID-19. Our policies are non-negotiable and exist in order to protect our members and staff, and to maintain a safe and healthy environment at Future Stars. Under no circumstances will we make exceptions to our policies. *Additional details will be given regarding further safety policies once you confirm your attendance.*

COVID-19 Safety Protocol

Future Stars will be following all state, county and local health department mandates, as well as any recommendations handed down by the CDC. We understand that this summer will be different, but we are excited and prepared to offer a safe environment.

First and foremost, **if your athlete is sick or showing symptoms, please keep them home.** We will work with you so we can figure out your payment and program enrollment once they are well again. You must not send your athlete to our facility if they are sick or showing symptoms.

PLEASE NOTE: COVID-19 is mostly spread by respiratory droplets released when people talk, cough, or sneeze. It is thought that the virus may spread to hands from a contaminated surface and then to the nose or mouth, causing infection. Therefore, personal prevention practices (such as [handwashing](#), [staying home when sick](#)) and environmental [cleaning and disinfection](#) are important principles.

Before Arrival

Please join us in our efforts to ensure the safety of our campers and staff by taking these precautionary steps before coming to camp:

- To give everyone the best chance at staying healthy, we ask all campers and staff to arrive well rested, nourished, and hydrated. This will help maximize each individual's resilience to any encountered illness.
- Fill out [this questionnaire](#) to pre-determine risk of camp attendance.
- Please review your campers immunization form to see if it is up to date. Many outbreaks in illness occur because of lack of up-to-date immunization. Please be aware that some immunizations, once thought to provide lifetime immunity, may no longer do so (e.g. pertussis/whooping cough). We urge all parents/guardians for the wellbeing of their campers to review their immunization history with their primary care provider or other health professional to make sure it is up-to-date.

On-Site Safety Measures

Our staff is working hard every day to make sure our programming is safe. Please see below for the measures we are taking on-site.

Focused Hygiene and Sanitation Practices

- An abundance of hand sanitizer and sanitizing supplies will be available on site at all times.
- Hand washing/sanitizing will be required for all staff and campers following all activities.
- Staff and maintenance will wipe down and sanitize all high-frequency areas throughout the day.
- All staff members will wear masks when social distancing is not possible. Campers are not required to wear masks during outdoor activities. They are required to bring a mask for the day.
- Staff will wear gloves when handling equipment. All equipment will be wiped down between uses. Each group will have its own set of equipment to use.
- Water coolers have been relocated from the courts to physically distanced locations to minimize campers from grouping together on the courts. Likewise, the consumption of snacks and drinks will be done at least 6 feet apart.

Modified Group Organization

- Group sizes will be 10 or less at all times, with 2 coaches per group.
- Groups will be based outdoors with access to indoor space only as needed.
- Water/snack breaks will occur outdoors, under tents, with pre-determined spaces for each child to maintain physical distancing.
- All activities will be adjusted to follow new guidelines and designed to ensure proper social distancing between campers and staff.
- All field trips, pool activities, transportation options, lunch breaks, and events have been cancelled.
- Campers must remain in the groups that they have been assigned for the entire week. No switching will be allowed.

Drop-off/Pick-up

- Assistant coaches will help direct parents to the correct drop-off and pick-up locations.
- Coaches will assist campers during drop-off and pick-up if needed while wearing gloves. Parents must stay in their vehicles.
- Each camper will have their temperature checked upon arrival. Any camper with a temperature of 100° or more will not be admitted to camp for that day.

Health Screenings and Precautions

- Temperatures will be taken daily upon arrival.

- Parents/Guardians will be given an at-home [health assessment sheet](#) outlining key symptoms and questions to pre-determine how safe it is for their camper to attend for the day. This assessment must be reviewed by you *every day* the camper attends their program. Upon drop-off, staff will ask if this assessment has been completed. If not, the on-site EMT or other trained staff will perform the assessment in person while the parent/guardian and camper remain in the car. If it is determined to be unsafe or too high-risk to have your camper attend, you will be turned away.
- To ensure proper minimization of numbers, parents will not be allowed on campus during the camp day. Pickup and dropoff will happen directly from the car.

Communication

- Southampton Future Stars will be making a concentrated effort to keep open and effective communication between staff, campers, and parents/guardians concerning their safety and welfare.
- Responsible parties will be notified of any possible and/or confirmed cases of COVID-19 that may arise. In the event that someone is found to have COVID-19 or even relative symptoms in unconfirmed cases, all associated parties will be notified and advised to take precautionary actions/testing for COVID-19.
- All cases of the virus within the camp will be reported to Suffolk County Health Department and affected individuals will be subject to contact tracing. All groups that have come into contact with the individual will be asked to stay home and self monitor and receive testing before returning to camp. These individuals must present proof of a negative test in order to return to camp in the scenario that one or more members of their activity group test positive for the virus.

COVID Contact Protocol

In the event that a camper's household has a positive/potential COVID case, please refer to these NYS guidelines for our required course of action for the camper:

- If a parent/guardian of a child/camper must be isolated because they have tested positive for, or exhibited symptoms of, COVID-19, the parent/guardian must be advised that they cannot enter the site for any reason, including picking up their child.
- If the parent/guardian – who is a member of the same household as the child/camper – is exhibiting signs of COVID-19 or has been tested and is positive for the virus, utilize an emergency contact authorized by the parent to come pick up the child. **As a “close contact,” the child/camper must not return to the child care or day camp for the duration of the quarantine.**
- If the parent/guardian– who is the a member of the same household as the child/camper – is being quarantined as a precautionary measure, without symptoms or a positive test, staff should walk out or deliver the child/camper to the parent/guardian at the boundary of, or outside, the premises. **As a “contact of a contact” the child/camper may return to the child care or day camp during the**

duration of the quarantine.

- If a child/camper or their household member becomes symptomatic for COVID-19 and/or tests positive, **the child must quarantine and may not return or attend the child care or day camp program until after quarantine is complete.**
- Any other campers, children, and staff who may have come in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in another camper will be notified and advised to be tested.

In the event a camper is found to be ill while at camp:

- All campers found sick and those who are a part of their activity group will be sent home early to minimize risk of spreading further illness. While awaiting pickup by responsible parties, the camper(s) will be removed from activities and isolated from the rest of the campers.
- Staff will conduct "contact-tracing", along with Suffolk County Health Department, to ensure all campers are accounted for.

Disclaimer

- Even the best risk reduction plans will not be 100% successful. Norwalk virus, the common cold, and infectious conjunctivitis are just three of the many illnesses with which camps routinely cope, let alone COVID-19. We're dealing with human beings, so "stuff happens." That said, as all parties adhere to these policies and procedures, camp will be an enjoyable and low-risk experience!

Reference links:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/2019-ncov-factsheet.pdf>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-home-care.html>

Our COVID Safety Operations were last updated on June 25, 2020.