

Health and Safety Protocols for Artistree Summer Programs

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For Artistree programs that are open during the COVID-19 pandemic, it is crucial to minimize the risks of spreading the coronavirus. The following protocols are designed to maintain health and safety requirements and physical distancing directives while providing teaching services.

Cloth Facial Coverings

- **All staff and instructors will wear cloth facial coverings in compliance with CDC recommendations.**
- **Campers must wear face coverings when inside buildings. Children may take off face coverings when out-of-doors.**
 - Children who have a documented medical reason for not wearing a cloth facial covering are not required to wear one. Please let us know if your child has a medical condition that would affect them wearing a mask.
- **Adults doing drop-off and pick-up are asked to wear cloth facial coverings.**

Remember to bring to Camp:

- **An extra set of clothing for your child**
- **Water bottle**
- **A snack. If your camper will be staying all day please also provide a full lunch and afternoon snack.**
- **If your child has their own preferred cloth facial covering, please feel free to bring it.**
- **Sunscreen spray. *ALSO PLEASE APPLY SUNSCREEN PRIOR TO THEIR ARRIVAL EACH DAY.***
- **Sun hat**

Drop-Off and Pick-Up

- **We request that the same parent or designated person drop off and pick up the child every day.** If possible, older people such as grandparents should not pick up their children, because they are more at risk for serious illness.
- Parents and designated persons who are self-quarantining due to close contact with a COVID-19 positive individual should NOT do drop-off or pick-up.
- Each camp will have its own building entrance or tent location where we will conduct Health Screenings. Parents/Caregivers will be instructed where the check in point will be at the beginning of each week.
- Each camper's drop-off person **must accompany** their camper to their daily Health Screening.
- Prior to being admitted to camp, each camper will go through a daily Health Screening.

- We will ask caregivers about their camper's health status and contact with COVID-19
- We will take the camper's temperature
- We will make a visual inspection of the camper for signs of illness
- If a camper does not pass their health screening, that camper will not be allowed to attend camp that day.
- Hand hygiene stations will be set up at the entrance of each studio, so that children can wash their hands before they enter, or immediately upon entry into the facility.
- No visitors will be allowed at Artistree camps, including parents and caregivers.

Children Attending Camp

- **Children who arrive from out-of-state need to 1) self-quarantine in Vermont for 14 days, or 2) be tested at day 7 of quarantine and provide Artistree with the negative test results before entering Artistree programs.**
- If you suspect that your child may struggle with separation issues upon drop off, we ask that you please reconsider their attendance in our camps.
- Anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 or awaiting test-results should self-isolate until:
 1. It's been 3 full days of no fever without the use of fever-reducing medication, and
 2. Other symptoms have improved, **and**
 3. At least **10** days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
- The following children and staff will be **excluded** from camp:
 - Sick for any reason
 - Showing symptoms (outlined below) of COVID-19
 - Have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days
 - A cough, fever, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or new loss of taste or smell
 - Fever (temperature higher than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit)
 - Severe sore throat that lasts more than 48 hours, especially with a fever
 - A significant rash, particularly when other symptoms are present
 - Large amounts of discolored nasal discharge
 - Severe ear pain
 - Uncontrolled cough
 - Diarrhea
 - Severe headache, especially with a fever
- Healthy children and staff with the following symptoms/conditions **may attend programming**:
 - Allergy symptoms (with no fever) that cause coughing and *clear runny nose* may stay if they

have medically diagnosed allergies and follow medical treatment plans.

- Well-controlled, mild asthma
- If symptoms begin while at Artistree, the child will be sent home as soon as possible. Sick children will be kept in a separate room, designated for this purpose and away from well children. Staff contact will be limited as much as possible, while ensuring the safety and supervision of the child until they leave.
- People with a temperature greater than 100.4 F will be sent home until they have had no fever for 72 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications (e.g., Advil, Tylenol).
- The health department encourages all providers and families to coordinate decision making around the child's care with the family health care provider if there are specific health concerns, chronic disease, or complex social or emotional dynamics in the home.

Close Contact and COVID Cases in Programs

If COVID-19 is confirmed in a camper, staff member, or instructor, Artistree will follow cleaning and disinfecting guidelines from the Vermont Department of Health.

When Artistree is notified that a staff member, instructor, or child in our programs is being tested for COVID-19 with symptoms, anyone considered a close contact should quarantine for 48 hours or until test results come back. Artistree will contact all fellow campers to alert them of a possible COVID-19 case. If the test results are:

Positive (child or adult has COVID-19), then continue to quarantine for 14 days.

Negative (child or adult does not have COVID-19), then complete self-observation. Artistree will stay connected to the family, staff member, or instructor during this time.

Artistree will follow state guidelines as follows:

- Increasing physical distance between campers as much as possible
- Conduct camps outside as much as possible
- Allow no large-group activities
- Keep the same instructors and staff member with each group of campers for the whole week
- Conversations about a child's day are encouraged to be done by phone with parents or designated people.

Regular Cleaning & Disinfecting

Artistree will engage in frequent thorough cleaning each day. **At a minimum, common spaces, such as the kitchen, and frequently touched surfaces and doors will be cleaned and disinfected at the beginning, middle and end of each day.**

We will clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces such as bathrooms, tables, door handles, and playground equipment. Each studio has its own bathroom which will be the dedicated bathroom for that

camp.

Eating Snacks and Lunches

- Please provide a snack (and lunch if camper is attending a full day) and water bottle every day.
- Lunch and snack will take place in each camp studio or at picnic tables under an outdoor tent.
- Sinks used for food preparation will not be used for any other purposes.
- Staff and instructors will ensure children wash their hands before and after eating.
- Staff and instructors will wash their hands before preparing food and after helping children eat. Hand sanitizer may be used in place of washing hands before assisting the next child with eating.

COMMUNICATE

- Please let the Camp Leader or any other Artistree staff member know immediately if you or anyone in your family or social circle has been in contact with anyone confirmed to have COVID-19.
- Please be sure to fill out our additional registration form and return to Artistree with detailed contact information should we need to reach someone concerning your child during the day.

Resources

General questions about COVID-19? **Dial 2-1-1**

Vermont Department of Health COVID-19 site : <https://www.healthvermont.gov/response/coronavirus-covid-19>