

COVID-19 Policies and Procedures

CDC, state and county-mandated COVID-safety guidelines and precautions will be followed diligently. Anyone coming to campus must adhere to these requirements:

Vaccinations

While we don't know what the pandemic will bring this summer, we are optimistic. Campers five years and older are now eligible for vaccination. Scientists agree that COVID-19 vaccines are both safe and effective, and a key to ending the pandemic. In accordance with McLean School's commitment to

the safety of our community, **all SummerEdge participants are required to be fully vaccinated (and boosted if applicable) against COVID 19.**

Testing

SummerEdge will continue to monitor the current COVID situation in our area along with guidance from the CDC to determine testing policies or requirements.

Masking

Everyone entering the building — staff, campers, parents, visitors, vendors – must wear a face mask at all times, except as noted below. Those unable to adhere to this will not be allowed into the building.

- Families will be required to provide face masks for their campers. N95 or KN95 masks are preferred as they provide better protection, however two-ply cloth masks are acceptable.
- Face masks must cover both the mouth and nose, with few gaps around the edges.
- Bandanas and Gators are not acceptable.

- Masks may not advocate violence, sex, or the use of drugs, including alcohol and tobacco; contain any political statement or symbol; or display symbols that demean any individual or group (i.e. racial, ethnic, religious).
- Campers will be given scheduled (outdoor) breaks from wearing masks (in accordance with guidance from Harvard University's T.H. Chan School for Public Health).
- Campers will not be required to wear masks while outside for sports or breaks, as long as they maintain 6' of physical distance or while eating.
- Anyone working alone in their classroom or office may remove their face mask.

Cleaning, Sanitizing,

Disinfecting

We follow CDC guidelines for **cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting** our building and its contents.

Campers will wipe down their own work spaces throughout the day. High-touch areas will be cleaned multiple times throughout the day by our trained facilities team and with EPA-approved cleaning products. Special attention will be paid to shared spaces (e.g. bathrooms) and equipment (e.g. microscopes).

- All classrooms and offices will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected each night.
- Campers and staff are required to wash or sanitize hands upon arrival at camp; after using the restroom; before and after eating; after blowing their nose, coughing, or sneezing; before and after changing in the locker room; when putting on and taking off masks.
- When handwashing, individuals are to use soap and water to wash all surfaces of their hands for at least 20 seconds, rinse thoroughly, and dry with an individual disposable paper towel. If handwashing is not feasible, hand sanitizer may be used.
- SummerEdge has set up hand sanitizer stations at each entrance and in other locations around camp. These stations contain products with at least 60 percent alcohol and are for use by staff and campers alike. In addition, each classroom and office will have its own supply of sanitizer which will be replenished as needed.
- Please remember that we have campers and staff who are immunocompromised and/or have preexisting conditions that put them at high risk of complications or death related to COVID-19. **Please keep your camper home if they are sick, showing symptoms related to COVID-19, or knowingly exposed to the virus.**

Reduced Density & Social Distancing

Our goal is to keep camper groupings together as much as possible. We are fortunate that SummerEdge's class sizes are already small by design, enabling us to maintain a familiar level of social and camper interaction.

Campers will maintain 3-foot physical distance in classrooms, hallways, and shared spaces to the extent possible. When eating or unmasked, campers must maintain 6 feet distance.

Additional Protections

In addition to the primary protocols, we have included more information about these areas of enhanced protection below.

First Aid Office

Our health room staff is committed to high standards of prevention and response protocols to keep our campers and staff safe and healthy. For their own health and safety, our Med Tech will utilize additional PPE when appropriate. Anyone showing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 will be isolated and asked to leave (adult) or be picked up (camper) immediately.

Transportation for Field Trips



Physical distancing guidelines necessitate reducing bus capacity. Windows on the bus will remain open as much as possible for increased air flow, and all campers and drivers will be required to wear a face mask at all times. Buses will be cleaned and disinfected thoroughly following each bus run.

Ventilation

Whenever possible, classroom windows will remain open. All classrooms and offices are equipped with air purifiers using HEPA filters. The HVAC system has been adjusted to maximize the fresh air makeup in the building, and will run two hours prior to the start of each camp day and one hour at the end of the day to flush the system.

When Someone Gets Sick

While it is of course our hope that no one at SummerEdge contracts COVID-19, there is always the possibility that someone in our community will get sick. Should that happen, we will act immediately and with transparency to contain the spread as quickly and successfully as possible. As required by law, McLean/SummerEdge will notify the Montgomery County Public Health Officer and the Maryland Department of Health of all suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19 and abide fully by their guidance related to disinfecting, quarantining, contact tracing, notifications, etc. In the event of suspected or confirmed cases, we will notify those who may have come into contact using the proximity standard of less than six feet for 15 minutes or more while maintaining the confidentiality of all involved. Please note that we will not release the name of anyone suspected of or testing positive for COVID-19.

Symptoms While at Camp

We have established a dedicated and isolated space for any camper or staff displaying **COVID-19 symptoms** while at camp.

If a staff member is experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19 or has a temperature above 100 degrees, regardless of other symptoms, they will be required to leave camp immediately and contact their primary care physician regarding testing. A doctor's clearance note will be required in order to return to camp.

If a camper is experiencing symptoms that suggest COVID-19 or has a temperature above 100 degrees, regardless of other symptoms, parents will be notified to pick up their child immediately. Parents will be required to contact their child's primary care physician to determine whether a test is recommended. A doctor's clearance note will be required in order to return to camp.

Symptoms or Exposure While Outside of Camp

Again, monitoring ourselves and our campers for symptoms is a responsibility we share in order to

keep our community as safe and healthy as possible. **Please do not send your child to camp if they are sick, and notify the Camp Director as soon as possible by phone or email.**

Any Camper or staff member who has symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (including a temperature above 100 degrees) or has been in close contact with anyone that has COVID-19 who is symptomatic should not come to school and is required to consult their primary care physician regarding testing. **They must also notify the Camp Director as soon as possible by phone or email (jwhichard@mcleanschool.org).** A doctor's clearance note will be required in order to return to school.

Returning to Camp after a Confirmed Case of COVID

Before individuals who have a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis are able to return to camp, they must be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication AND have symptoms that have improved AND be 5 days from when symptoms first appeared.

If a staff member or camper has tested positive for COVID-19 but is asymptomatic, they may return to school 5 days after the most recent positive test OR have two negative tests in a row, at least 24 hours apart. Finally, staff and campers must be cleared by the SummerEdge Director, Jenny Whichard, prior to their return.