

Greetings Wico Camp Families,

We hope all is well with you and your loved ones. We, in the Wico office, are excitedly planning for the reboot of our 100<sup>th</sup> summer. We feel confident that we will be able to provide the safe and fun experience you have come to expect from Wicosuta.

We have spoken with several of you over the past few months about how desperately kids need to be at camp. We share this belief and appreciate your partnership now more than ever. In the months to come we will ask for your continued patience. Our commitment is to prepare as much as we are able to now, and to adjust our plans as more information comes to light. Waiting for additional information will allow us to provide the best possible experience for our campers.

We know that camp will feel, in large part, normal this summer, and that we will need to pivot our operations in certain areas. Wico will operate as a modified bubble—think of camp as a castle with a moat and draw bridge. Some of our protocols will <u>likely</u> include:

- Health & Safety:
  - Required PCR testing of all campers and staff before arrival. Testing is likely on arrival day and during the session. The timing and type of subsequent in-session tests will be determined based on recommendations from our medical team.
  - Lots of hand-washing & expanded disinfecting/cleaning of all areas of camp
- Program:
  - Daily activities scheduled with cabin groups or pods for the first few days of camp. We plan to employ testing to gradually expand these pod groupings.
  - Reimagined camp trips: We are currently investigating COVID-safe off-camp locations for both outdoor adventure-type trips and other programming. Visits to amusement and water parks will have to wait until 2022.
- Mask wearing & pods:
  - We anticipate employing podding for some portion of each session. Pods will be viewed like your household-- when with one's pod campers will not have to practice socialdistancing or mask wearing. When outside the pod/household or when these groups are combined, campers should expect to wear masks and socially distance.
  - We hope to expand/merge pods as camp progresses.
- Dining:
  - We will expand our dining area with a large tent adjacent to the dining hall.
- Travel to camp:
  - By Car: You can expect assigned and staggered car arrival times.

- By Bus: Whether we can provide this service is in question at this time. We hope to be able to assist parents with the transportation of campers to camp, and imagine that any bus transportation we can provide may look different than it has in the past.
- By Plane: Keep an eye out for an additional location-specific email to be sent to those whose children typically fly to camp.
- For those asking: "But what about....?"
  - We have created this webpage to give you a better sense of our planning across all areas. We will update it as our plans evolve. Our goal is to share all of our COVID-19 policies in late spring or sooner if we are able.

In addition to COVID-specific information, is the information we provide to help your family prepare for all other aspects of camp. Here is a timeline of what you can expect to receive from us over the next few months. All information will be sent electronically and posted on our website:

- February:
  - Clothing catalog & packing list from The Camp Spot
  - Parent Handbook & Camper Forms
- March:
  - Private Lesson Sign Ups begin
- April 1: Camp balance due
- May 1: Camper Forms due
- Monthly Campfire Chats: We invite you Zoom with us each month to hear more information about all of the above. Keep an eye out for reminders in advance of each scheduled "chat".

We feel fortunate to do the work that we do and appreciate your faith and trust in us. We cannot wait for Summer 2021 to begin and to share it with your children! We know it will be #worththewait! As always, please reach out to us with any questions you may have over the next several months.

Warmest regards,

Corey, Justin, Carly & Jess