October 2020



The Current Situation

As we prepare for the summer of 2021 there are still many unknowns. As of October, 2020, we cannot offer any form of overnight program where we are the "responsible party" for your child. We were able to run CSM Family Camping this summer because parents/guardians were the "responsible party".

What this means for the summer of 2021

While we have not heard anything new from New York State, we are optimistic that we will be able to run our week-long Overnight and Day Camp programs in 2021. Those programs will most likely look different than in past years in terms of camper capacity, the use of face coverings (for campers and staff), etc., camper activities and cabin mixing. *Because of Covid-19 we are likely to have a limited number of camper spots available, we have made the decision to not run our 4 Day Stay and Overnight Experience beginner programs and reserve all our spots for full week Overnight and Day campers in 2021. Because of likely restrictions related to COVID-19, we will not be offering field trips and sleepover Fridays as part of our 2021 Day Camp Program. We appreciate your understanding while we navigate this challenging time.*

Registration for Summer 2021

November 1 – general online registration opens 2021.

Why should you register now?

Your money is not at risk should we be forced to cancel your session due to COVID-19 related restrictions. Our <u>revised refund policy</u> will remain in effect until we are 100% sure that Camp will run. When that happens, we will return to our <u>regular refund policy</u>.

We are anticipating that we will have at least 20% fewer spots available, due to possible limited capacity because of Covid-19. When registration opens on Nov 1st, Overnight Camp sessions will be more than half full and some weeks may already be closed from families who rolled over their 2020 registration fees.

Will it be safe to send my child to Camp in 2021?

Your child's safety is our #1 priority. We began working on what the summer of 2021 might look like as soon as we knew we could not run in 2020. We are fortunate to be connected to many camps from across the country, some of which were able to operate in 2020. The lessons they learned, along with guidance from the CDC, state and local Departments of Health, and the American Camp Association will guide us as we further develop our safety plan. Your family will have full access to this plan prior to camp beginning so that you can make an informed decision regarding your camper's attendance.