

**Be Great Summer Camp
Health & Safety Precautions during COVID-19
And Program Information**

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Pee Dee Area (“Club”) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the Club **cannot guarantee** that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, **attending the Club could increase** your risk, your child(ren)’s risk and others that you/they come in contact with of contracting COVID-19.

We ask that members, and members from households, with underlying medical conditions do not attend at this time. The CDC lists the following underlying medical conditions:

- People with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma
- People who have serious heart conditions
- People who are immunocompromised
 - Many conditions can cause a person to be immunocompromised, including cancer treatment, smoking, bone marrow or organ transplantation, immune deficiencies, poorly controlled HIV or AIDS, and prolonged use of corticosteroids and other immune weakening medications.
- People with severe obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 40 or higher)
- People with diabetes
- People with chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis
- People with liver disease

The following procedures are currently in place to prevent and minimize the spread of COVID-19 and will be enforced. As we receive new guidance from the CDC, SC DHEC and SC DSS the following procedures will be revised as needed. We will keep you informed of any changes.

Because the safety of our members and staff is our #1 priority, please know that any staff member, Club member or parent/guardian that does not follow the established procedures/expectations/guidelines may be suspended or expelled from the program, without warning.

- **Drop-off and pick-up procedures:** Youth in the summer program must be dropped off and picked up by a parent/guardian daily. This summer, walkers are not welcomed in our summer program. Prior to a child exiting the vehicle, a health screening, temperature check and showing of a mask is required for the Club to accept the child. Staff will be positioned in the parking lot to accept children daily from 7:25am to 8:30am. If your child arrives after 8:30, please call your club and state that you are in the parking lot, and a staff will come meet you there.

Florence 843-662-1471

Hartsville 843-332-1400

Lake City 843-374-3749

Hemingway 843-558-1302

For pick-ups, we ask that you call your Club 5 minutes before you will arrive, and state your child’s name. Staff will bring your child to the parking lot.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to have the same designated person drop off and pick up the child every day. If possible, older people such as grandparents or those with serious underlying medical conditions should not pick up children, because they are more at risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

- **Health screenings:** Parents must answer a verbal health questionnaire daily upon drop-off and authorize Club staff to administer a daily temperature check of their child.

Also, parents are asked to support the Club in providing a safe space for our members and staff by informing the Club of any changes to their child's health or community exposure. If a child exhibits any symptoms of fever, runny nose, coughing, or shortness of breath, parents are asked to keep them home until their symptoms have subsided for at least 72 hours without the assistance of medication.

Anyone at the Club who is coughing repeatedly or having difficulty breathing must go home and cannot return until their symptoms have improved without the assistance of medication for at least 72 hours.

- **Temperature checks:** Temperatures will be taken of all children before they exit the vehicle. Please make sure your child does not exit the vehicle before a verbal questionnaire is answered and the child's temperature is taken.

Persons (staff or child) who have a fever of 100* F or above or other signs of illness will not be admitted to the Club. We encourage parents to be on the alert for signs of illness in their children and to keep them home when they are sick.

A second health screening and temperature check will occur daily in the early afternoon. Children will be sent home if fever is over 100* or if child displays concerning symptoms of COVID-19.

If a child or staff have a temperature of between 99* - 99.9*, at arrival or at the afternoon check, he or she will be re-checked one hour later at the Club. If the temperature has increased to 100* or above, he or she will be sent home.

Anyone with a temperature of 100* or above, must go home, and cannot return until 72 hours after the fever is gone, without the use of fever-reducing medication.

- **No mask, no entry:** Everyone (youth, staff, parents, visitors) entering our facility is required to wear a face mask. Each child will be given 2 washable face masks to wear upon registration. After that, it's the parents' responsibility to ensure their child has a mask. If a child does not show a face mask prior to exiting the vehicle, they will not be allowed to enter the Club. Masks must be worn by everyone while transiting between rooms, while in shared space and when one's 6' bubble is not secure. Youth will be informed when their mask is not required, i.e., when sitting in their assigned seat in their classroom and their 6' bubble is secure.
- **No visitors:** Only staff, registered members, and required guests are allowed into our facilities. If a parent and Club director must meet, appropriate accommodations will be made. Remember, if you have an on-site meeting schedule, wear a mask.
- **Bringing items from home:** No personal items other than food and drinks will be allowed into the Club. Any food and drink brought in must be stored in a metal or plastic lunch box. Please note that refrigeration will not be available.

If there are specific or medical reasons a member will need to bring in personal items, this must be disclosed to the Club director to receive approval. These instances will need clearance by senior leadership.

- **Your Bubble:** To maintain social distancing throughout the day, each child must remain in their 6' "bubble," for the safety of the child and other members. Children that do not stay in their bubble, will be suspended, and possibly expelled from the program.

- **Small groups:** All programming takes place in groups of 10 or fewer people. Children will not change from one group to another. Each group will stay in a separate room and will not mix with other groups. Staff will remain solely with one group of children throughout the course of the day.
- **Food & Drink:** Breakfast and lunch will be provided to members through Department of Education/USDA summer feeding program. Additionally, an afternoon snack will be provided to members. Each member will be provided with their own water bottle, which will be refilled as needed and stay at the Club.

Refrigeration will not be available for lunch boxes brought into the Club. The metal or plastic lunch box must stay in the child's bubble at all times.

There is no need for your child to have money at the Club as snacks and drinks will not be sold.

- **Communication:** We will be using a mobile app, **LiveSafe**, this summer to keep parents updated and provide them with the ability communicate with leadership staff. Please download this app to your phone when you receive the text request.

LiveSafe does not replace using the telephone to communicate with Club leadership with questions or concerns you may have. It is just another tool you can use.

Please communicate any changes in family health circumstances as quickly as possible so that we may mitigate any issues that arise. We will commit to communicating as much information as possible with you as often as possible.

Youth may not bring cellphones in to our facility this summer. Youth will only be allowed to use the Club phone for true emergencies. Please know and be understanding, that if you call the Club to talk with a staff or your child, more than likely a message will be taken.

- **Washing Hands, Sanitizing and Disinfecting:** All areas in the Club are being washed, disinfected and sanitized on a regular basis throughout the day. There is also a schedule for everyone to wash their hands.
- **Field Trips:** We will not be scheduling any field trips or bringing in any special guests until further notice.
- **Programs:** We will continue to offer meaningful, intentional programs that prevent learning loss, engage members, and promote fun. These programs may be altered to accommodate this new operation. Members will be required to stay in one area for the majority of the day due to safety recommendations. Programs will still cover our 5 core program areas.
- **Expectations:** Club members must do their best to follow all expectations. In addition to our regular Club expectations, Club members will need to follow COVID-19-specific expectations to ensure the safety of everyone in the building. ***Failure to do so can result in removal from our program.*** Some COVID-19 specific expectations are below:
 - Club members are asked to remain 6 feet apart at all times. Staff members will do their best to ensure this happens, but we ask that parents/guardians remind their members of this rule.
 - Club members will participate in regular, scheduled hygiene practices to ensure safety.
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- **Summer Fee Schedule:**
 - The cost of the summer program is \$25 per week per child. Parents may make one payment for the entire summer and receive a discount.
 - All payments must be done online at bgcpda.org. If unable to pay online, parent must contact Club director by phone and provide information for payment.
 - Payment of weekly fees are due by 5pm on the Friday before the start of the following week. Children with unpaid fees will be denied entry to the Club.

- **Possible Situations**
 - COVID-19 Exposure at home?
 - Children with COVID-19 exposure must quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of last exposure to the person with COVID-19. For children who live in the same house as someone who has COVID-19, they should continue to quarantine until seven (7) days **after** the date the person with COVID-19 is told they no longer need to practice isolation.
 - Children with household members who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home until it can be determined if the symptoms are due to COVID-19.
 - Exposure at Club?
 - The Club will follow SC DHEC guidelines if exposure, or possible exposure, to COVID-19 has occurred at the Club. Parents will be informed and kept abreast of the situation.
 - Please know that a situation may occur this summer in which the Club may have to close, without notice, for up to 3 days for a deep cleaning. The Club will reimburse parents the appropriate weekly fee amount based on closure length.
 - A member needs to go home?
 - Whether due to sickness, temperature, showing COVID-19 symptoms or for disciplinary actions, parents agree to have child picked up from the Club within 1 hour of being notified. If the child is not picked up within the hour, the child may be unable to return to the club for the remainder of the summer.

With your help we can provide a safe, high quality and fun summer program. While our plans follow established guidance, the COVID-19 situation is fluid and we reserve the right to adjust policies and procedures as needed to maintain the health and safety of children and staff. We will communicate any changes with you.

Remember, even though all safety precautions and practices are being implemented as recommended by the CDC, we cannot guarantee there will not be exposure to parents/guardians, other household members, youth or others from you and your child engaging in the Club during COVID-19.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP EVERYONE SAFE!