



Covenant Harbor Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) March 11, 2020

With the news of the COVID-19 virus in the headlines, there is concern about the spread of the illness. We stress that, at this point, there are no known cases of COVID-19 in Lake Geneva or the broader Walworth County area our camp resides in and our camp programs continue normally. We continue to emphasize the health and safety of our campers and guests as our highest priorities. We are maintaining our high standards, as well as taking additional steps to protect the health of our campers and guests. This includes diligent cleaning of our facilities, as well as proper handling of food and our dining space, diligent hygiene and health monitoring among staff. As you are preparing to attend Covenant Harbor, we want you to be aware of what we are doing and what you can do to prevent the spread of illness:

What we are doing:

- Keeping up to date with current developments and best practices in consultation with local healthcare providers, government officials, camping associations, and the CDC.
- Carefully following CDC guidelines regarding prevention.
- Providing additional training for staff on proper cleaning, sanitation, personal hygiene, frequent and thorough handwashing, and best practices for prevention.
- Frequently cleaning and disinfecting regularly touched objects and surfaces.
- Cleaning and sanitizing all cabins upon checkout.
- Placing additional hand sanitizers throughout camp, including common areas and cabins.
- Instructing staff who show signs of illness to stay home.

During summer camp, our procedures will include:

- Screening and questioning all campers (and accompanying parents or guardians) about symptoms and possible exposure to illness at check-in. Any camper who has symptoms of contagious illness will not be allowed to stay at camp. Campers who have been exposed will be monitored and isolated if symptoms occur. If symptoms persist for more than 24 hours the camper will be sent home.
- During summer camp, staff will evaluate themselves and campers every morning for any influenza-like illness.
- Quick response and modification of health-monitoring and response procedures to be at the forefront of health and safety for our campers and guests.

What you and your group/camper can do:

- Ask participants to monitor their health and stay home if they have a recent history of, or show signs of influenza-like illness (fever, cough, shortness of breath).

- Join our staff in exhibiting good personal hygiene, including regular and thorough hand washing and avoiding touching your face with unwashed hands.
- For group retreats, have a person designated in your group as a health representative equipped with a thermometer, gloves and mask to screen anyone who becomes ill after arrival. Covenant Harbor will have an accommodation to isolate them from others while we discern the next steps with medical professionals.
- Remain calm, while being prudent in taking basic precautions. Keep in mind that risk of infection for healthy populations remains low. Most people who are infected with COVID-19 will experience mild illness. The flu still poses a greater risk to guests and staff than COVID-19 does.

We look forward to welcoming you to Covenant Harbor and are putting in place measures to make sure your experience is healthy and safe. If you have questions, please contact us at office@covenantharbor.org or (262) 248-3600.

Additional information:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention-treatment.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/share-facts-h.pdf>

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