

The Barton Center for Diabetes Education, Inc.

COVID PROTOCOLS FOR SUMMER 2021 (revised 6/15/21)

PLEASE NOTE: THESE PROTOCOLS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS NECESSARY.

The Barton Center for Diabetes Education takes standards for hygiene and cleanliness very seriously and is taking additional steps to protect our campers, families, and staff. Our health and safety measures are designed to address a broad spectrum of viruses, including COVID-19, and include everything from handwashing hygiene and cleaning product specifications to the cleaning of program equipment and watercraft.

The purpose of this plan is to develop and implement a strategy to operate summer camp programs while preventing the spread and outbreak of COVID-19. We are closely monitoring government policy changes and are implementing many regulations from the American Camp Association (ACA) Operations Field Guide, Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Guidelines, mandates from the state of Massachusetts, and our local health officials. **We will continue to make changes, as necessary or appropriate, to our protocols and procedures to ensure our due diligence in making The Barton Center a viable and safe option for our families this season. We encourage you to check your emails for the most up-to-date protocols prior to camp as any further changes will be emailed to you.**

Capacity Modification

Day campers will be placed into four groups. Each group will be considered a cohort. Enrollment capacity will be based on the ability to maintain 3 feet distance in buildings and emergency shelter locations per DPH guidelines.

Group Cohorts

Groups will be assigned by age, and each group will be a cohort. Cohorts cannot mix with each other and will remain consistent for entirety of camp. Each cohort will have their own counselor staff.

Facility Upgrades

The Barton Center will be adding handwashing stations, hand sanitizers at activity areas, one-way trails to reduce walking opposite directions of other groups of campers, closure of high contact surface program areas, and additional upgrades to meet local and state building and health department guidelines. In addition to upgrades, we plan to increase circulation of outdoor air within buildings (via windows, doors, fans) as much as possible, unless doing so creates a hazard.

Program Cancellations

Public health conditions may change over the summer in a way that requires camp sessions to be canceled. We will monitor reports about infection rates and consult with local and state officials.

Pre-Camp Health Screening

The Pre-Camp Health Screening document enclosed with camper confirmation materials is no longer required.

Pre-Camp Self Quarantine/Testing

A 14-day Pre-Camp Self Quarantine and negative COVID PCR will no longer be a requirement to attend day camp.

Check In/ Morning Drop-Off Procedures

The initial check in process will be conducted outdoors and divided by assigned cohort. Parents will accompany their child during the check in process, and social distancing will be maintained throughout check in. **To ensure we have a smooth and timely check in process for everyone, all required confirmation paperwork must be sent in 2 weeks prior to the start of camp (see day camp handbook, page 3). The only form you will bring with you on opening day is the Pre-Camp Health Screening form. Check in will begin daily at 8:30 a.m. to ensure camp**

promptly starts at 9 a.m. After quick health updates and collection of medications, staff will take your camper and their belongings to the day camp area. Belonging areas will be separated by cohort. You will not be allowed to accompany your camper past the check in point. Each day you should arrive at the same time and location.

Daily Screening

Upon arrival at camp each day:

- Staff will perform daily symptom checks for all campers.
- Parent/Guardian will fill out the Day Camp Daily Health Screening form to confirm their child and anyone in their household has not experienced any COVID-19 symptoms in the last 24 hours and that their child is not required to be in COVID-19 isolation or quarantine.
- Parent/Guardian must sign a written attestation regarding any household contacts to someone with COVID-19 symptoms or if they have given their child any fever reducing medication.

Afternoon Pick-Up Procedures

Pick-up will begin promptly at 5 p.m. and will be conducted at your child's assigned check in station.

Masks (Adult/Children)

Masks are no longer required for campers, with the exception of all indoor activities and those times where social distancing is not appropriate. The Barton Center will supply disposable masks for all campers and staff as needed.

Physical Distancing

Campers will maintain 3 feet of physical distancing between themselves.

Sick camper

We encourage parents to **please be mindful**. Any child exhibiting any symptoms of illness should remain at home. If a child exhibits any symptoms of illness while at day camp, a rapid COVID test will be administered, and the parent/guardian will be contacted to pick up the child. The child will be isolated until pick up. If results of a rapid test are positive, the parents/guardians of campers in the cohort of the ill child will be notified and asked to pick up their children as well. The children in the cohort will also be isolated until pick up. If test results are inconclusive, a second rapid test will be administered. Parents will be notified via email of any positive COVID-19 cases at day camp. If your child is impacted (tests positive or a close contact tests positive), you will be called.

Activities

All activities will be done on site. We will clean surfaces and equipment in accordance with CDC guidance, including the cleaning of high touch surfaces twice per day. Cohorts will do all activities as their cohort group. Outdoor spaces will be used for most actives and less actives unless it is raining. For rainy days, campers will rotate through larger indoor areas. Swimming and/or water activities will be done daily.

Camp Store

There will be no camp store this year. In lieu of camp store, we opted to provide give-a-ways.

Lost and Found Policy

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, The Barton Center is limiting items held in lost and found, after each camp session ends. We want to be mindful of safe storage space and how to prevent exposure of staff and campers from items, week to week.

Camp will only hold the following specific list of items:

jackets/sweatshirts; sleeping bags, blankets, pillows; prescription glasses; durable medical equipment; prescription medication; diabetes supplies and equipment; shoes (not water shoes or sandals); backpacks
Camp will keep these items for no longer than two weeks from the end of the session, after which, these items will be donated or thrown away. Please note that these items will be held at the discretion of camp

staff. Items that are soiled, damaged, or otherwise deemed not able to be safely stored will be disposed of.

Camp will not hold the following specific list of items:

socks and underwear, all toiletries and toiletry bags, all swim gear including swimsuits and goggles, hats, t-shirts, pants, shorts, pajamas washcloths and towels, water shoes including sandals, water bottles, sunglasses, flashlights and headlamps, toys, cameras, arts and crafts projects including tie dye