

2020 Summit Summer Program

Intent

Summit's duty is first and foremost to ensure the safety of the families we serve: nothing is more important than their physical well-being. The current pandemic poses a real danger to our community, which has already been hit very hard as shown by the statistics. The spread of Covid-19 cannot be taken lightly.

Our inner-city youth have been one of the silent victims of this tragedy. This summer is an especially important time for them to develop healthy bodies, minds and spirits. The Summit Program provides physical, intellectual, and emotional exercise through academic, personal and interpersonal formational activities.

On May 14, 2020, The City of Milwaukee Health Department published Order #1, COVID-19 Public Health Plan for the City of Milwaukee. As of right now, the guidelines are allowing groups of 10 people to gather while maintaining proper precautions and social distancing measures as follows:

"4. Gatherings. For all public and private gatherings, the following COVID-19 mitigation strategies shall be implemented:

- a. Comply with Physical Distancing and Protective Measure Requirements;
- b. Comply with the gathering size limits applicable to organizations serving high-risk individuals as determined by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. At issuance of this Order, this limit is 10 individuals or less.
- c. Prohibit sharing of frequently touched objects to the extent doing so can be done in a manner consistent with the community or individual's traditions and in consultation with local health officials as needed;
- d. Food or beverage offerings must be provided in, pre-packaged boxes or bags for each attendee to avoid possible COVID-19 transmittal from sharing common dishes at a buffet or family-style meal; and
- e. Nothing in this order prohibits the gathering of members of a single household or living unit."

Summit will be in session this summer following the guidelines from the City of Milwaukee Health Department published Order #1. To facilitate these measures, instead of offering one large program, Summit will be providing 32 separate small programs in 2020 from June 22 – August 7. Students will participate in the programming through their small groups, instead of the usual large group summer camp to abide with social distancing guidelines and safe measures.

The following plan and precautions are in place to keep our students and counselors safe during programming:

2020 Summit Guidelines for Summer Operation

1. Summit will appoint a Covid-19 Compliance Manager who will have overall responsibility in making sure all these guidelines are carried out.
2. Teams will consist of no more than 10 participants.
3. The coaches of each team are college students who will be trained and have agreed to enforce these guidelines. The Junior Coaches shall cooperate and help enforce all indications made by the coach.
4. Teams will not interact with each other during the ½ day of academic classes, lunch, ½ day of sports, career speakers, or excursions.
5. Each team will have their own canopy clubhouse in the park where they will meet each morning. Each canopy will have enough area for adequate social distancing.



6. Students will have their temperature taken and recorded each morning. If their temperature is above normal, students will not be allowed to join their team.
7. Students shall always practice social distancing by maintaining a 6 ft distance from one another.
8. The staff shall always wear masks in class and when in proximity to students.
9. Students shall always wear masks, unless running or exercising where it might harm them.
10. Academic and Classroom Protocols:
 - a. Students shall not share books, pens, papers, or any other materials with one another.
 - b. The staff members who make copies and handle handouts shall always sanitize their hands before doing so.
 - c. Each student will keep their materials (books, papers, pens, etc.) in their own backpack and never in a common area.

- d. Career speakers will only speak to one team at a time.
- e. Coaches will meet with students for advising while maintaining a 6 ft distance apart.
- f. Read-A-Thon
 - i. Each summer Summit provides an incentive to students for reading as much as possible. Traditionally, students would earn a trip to Six Flags as their final excursion of the summer if they read 500 pages plus \$0.10 per page for each page after reading 500 pages. Unfortunately, Six Flags will not be an option this year; however, we hope to be able to provide \$0.10 per page for each page students read outside of the program at home.
 - ii. Normally students receive books and then turn them back in for others to use and choose another book that someone else has read. We will not follow that procedure this year. This year, Summit will lend a book to the student and students will keep them until the end of the summer, at which time, they will turn all books back to Summit on the final day. Books must be returned at the end of the summer or else students will need to pay a fine.

11. Sports:

- a. Sports will be limited to track and field type activities which will ensure social distancing such as:
 - i. Running
 - ii. Jumping
 - iii. Dance
 - iv. Games that will not involve contact or touching the same equipment.

12. Jerseys

- a. Jerseys shall be issued to each student and labeled with the individual's name, and only worn by the individual to which it belongs.
- b. Jerseys shall be washed each night by the coach of the team with detergent, bleach and hot water.

13. Restrooms

- a. Each student will be escorted to the restroom by their JC.
- b. The only time students will ever be indoors is when they use a restroom.
- c. JC will clean all surfaces that students contact.
- d. Water in the sinks will run constantly so there will be no need to touch the faucet.

- e. Hand blow dryers will be disconnected, and students will dry their hands with paper towels.
- f. Students shall wash their hands after each time they use the restroom.

14. Hand Sanitizing:

- a. Students shall sanitize their hands before being admitted to their group.
- b. Students shall use hand sanitizer before and after lunch.
- c. Staff shall wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before they touch any materials given to the students.
- d. The coach will instruct students on proper ways to wash their hands and use hand sanitizer.
- e. Students shall sanitize their hands after the program ends before they go home each day.
- f. Students shall sanitize their hands in the event they ever come in contact with another person, or another person's belongings, i.e., book, paper, pen, backpack, milk crate, etc.
- g. Coaches and JC's will be supplied with hand sanitizer that they can use before they touch anything that may come in contact with a student (book, paper, pen, backpack, etc.)

15. Lunch Protocol:

- a. Staff shall wear masks and gloves whenever they handle food.
- b. Students will be issued their lunches at their team location.
- c. Students shall not be allowed to trade or give items in their lunch to one another.
- d. Any left-over lunch items will be discarded.
- e. Students shall dispose of their own lunch wrappings, etc., into the garbage.
- f. Garbage from lunches shall be immediately thrown into the large trash container.

16. Excursions

- a. As of now, we will not be going on excursions using school buses until we can determine proper guidelines for distancing and sanitation.
- b. Teams will hike to places that they can reasonably reach, which may include:
 - i. For students at Kozy Park: St Josaphat's Basilica, Exploring Bay View, Picnic in South Shore Park, River Boat ride.

- ii. For students at King Park: Downtown Lakefront, Exploring Downtown, River Boat Ride.

17. Interviews and Testing:

- a. We will have the parent and student interviews on June 19 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm.
- b. Student tests will be conducted when we are able to provide a sanitary way of doing so.
- c. Parents will be encouraged to pay their fee by credit card if possible.

18. Award Ceremony:

- a. Unless current government policies change, Summit will not have any end of the summer award ceremonies.
- b. Each team will have their own private awards ceremony and we will post videos of this and the teams' dances on youtube for families to enjoy.
- c. Coaches will be in contact with parents on a regular basis, and parents will have the opportunity to meet with their child's coach on July 15.
- d. Coaches will be in contact with parents on a regular basis throughout the summer by phone. In this way, we hope to involve the parents and keep them engaged more than ever to make up for the fewer meetings in person.
- e. Parents are always welcome to see how their child is doing being mindful of not disrupting the classes, sports, or excursions.