

May 21, 2020



Greetings from Camp Henry,

We sure hope this message finds all of you staying safe and doing well.

We wanted to connect and provide this update as we plan and prepare for summer camp. Click here to view a video from Jake, our Executive Director:

<https://youtu.be/IUuRa5pBxqs>

As we are nearing the end of May and approaching the summer season, we are continuing to plan and prepare for summer camp. We have an amazing crew of folks hired to serve as summer staff - and they will all be arriving at camp in 17 days as we are set to begin our summer staff training on Sunday, June 7th.

We will continue to prioritize the safety of campers and staff members as we seek solutions to welcome campers to Camp Henry this summer.

Over the past few days, several resources have become available from the Center for Disease Control as well as the American Camp Association to help provide a framework and guidelines for the operation of summer camp programs this summer.

We have been in close contact with government officials in Lansing, and in fact have been asked to help serve as a member of a workgroup that is putting together guidelines, recommendations, protocols, and best practices to be considered by the Governor's office for camp operations in Michigan this summer.

We believe that the Governor and the State Licensing Department will have more to say regarding summer camp operations in the coming days.

The American Camp Association has completed their Field Guide for Camp Operations. This document is very robust and provides excellent guidance for the safe operation of camp programs. We believe that the State of Michigan will be relying heavily on this document as they make decisions for camps in Michigan.

In addition, we have been utilizing the ACA Field Guide to create our own Camp Henry Camp Operations Plan. As our Camp Operations Plan is completed, we will be certain to share it with

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all summer camper parents and families to help keep you informed and up to date on what to expect for your camper this summer.

At this point, we will be continuing to update and finalize our Camp Operations Plan while we wait for the state to announce their decisions regarding the operation of both day and resident camping programs in Michigan.

As soon as we have more guidance and clarity from the State of Michigan we will be certain to communicate with you as we determine how we will be able to serve campers this summer.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Leigha Oberle at info@camphenry.org or 616.717.5562.

Please know that we would love nothing more than to welcome your camper to Camp Henry this summer. Thanks so much for your continued patience and understanding.

Looking forward to our summer ahead,

Camp Henry

To view the ACA Field Guide for Camps, please click on the following link:
<https://acacamps.app.box.com/s/7gkh9buu3ntssx2v38gajg4z94631lag/>