



# SUMMER 2021 CAMP GUIDELINES

A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDELINE TO CAMP MODIFICATIONS



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With 40 years behind us, we're excited to kick off another amazing summer! The safety of our campers, staff, and community remains the top priority as we move ahead. The following presentation will provide you with a clear overview of how we will operate camp under the new guidelines and recommendations set forth by New York State, CDC, and the American Camp Association.

The risk of viral spread at camp will be significantly reduced by the following strategies: Healthy Hand Hygiene, Face-Coverings, Physical Distancing, Utilizing Group/Cohort Model, and Remaining Outdoors where possible.

[CLICK HERE](#) to see NYS guidelines for camps.

\*Guidelines are subject to change based on updated guidance and requirements as set forth by state and local health officials, and our facilities partners.





# HEALTH SCREENING PROCEDURES

Healthy behaviors before camp translate to a healthy environment during camp.

- Any camper or staff showing signs of illness, such as fever, or Flu-like symptoms should stay at home and NOT attend camp.
- Campers and staff will be required to conduct a daily screening with health assessment questions every morning before arrival at camp.
- Temperatures will be taken upon arrival for all campers and staff.
- Any camper or staff member who is flagged from the daily health screening or who has a temperature reading of 100.4f or above will NOT be permitted at camp and parent/guardian will be required to take them home.
- As in the past, campers will be required to submit a health form before the start of camp.
- Campers or staff suspected of having Covid-19 or who have displayed symptoms must show a negative PCR test result or clearance from their pediatrician before returning to camp.





## FACE COVERINGS

All Campers and Staff are required to bring a face covering to camp.

### Campers will be required to wear their face covering/mask:

- Any time physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Arrival at Camp & Departure from Camp.
- During Indoor Camp or Program Activities.
  - \*Masks required as tolerated during participation in indoor sports or physical activities.
  - \*Scheduled mask breaks will be incorporated into indoor camp or program activities.
- Transitions to other Activities or Areas.

### Campers will NOT be required to wear their face covering:

- During active physical camp or sports' activities.
- While eating or drinking.
- During swim or water park activities.
- During a scheduled mask break (distancing will be maintained).
  - \*Campers who wish to wear a face covering during physical or sports activity can if they so choose.

**Staff are required to wear their face covering at all times they are interacting with campers or other staff.**





# ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE

Camp families will be sent more details regarding traffic-flow and designated drop-off and pick-up areas prior to the start of camp.

Staff and Signage will be on-site to direct traffic during the summer.

## Morning Drop-Off

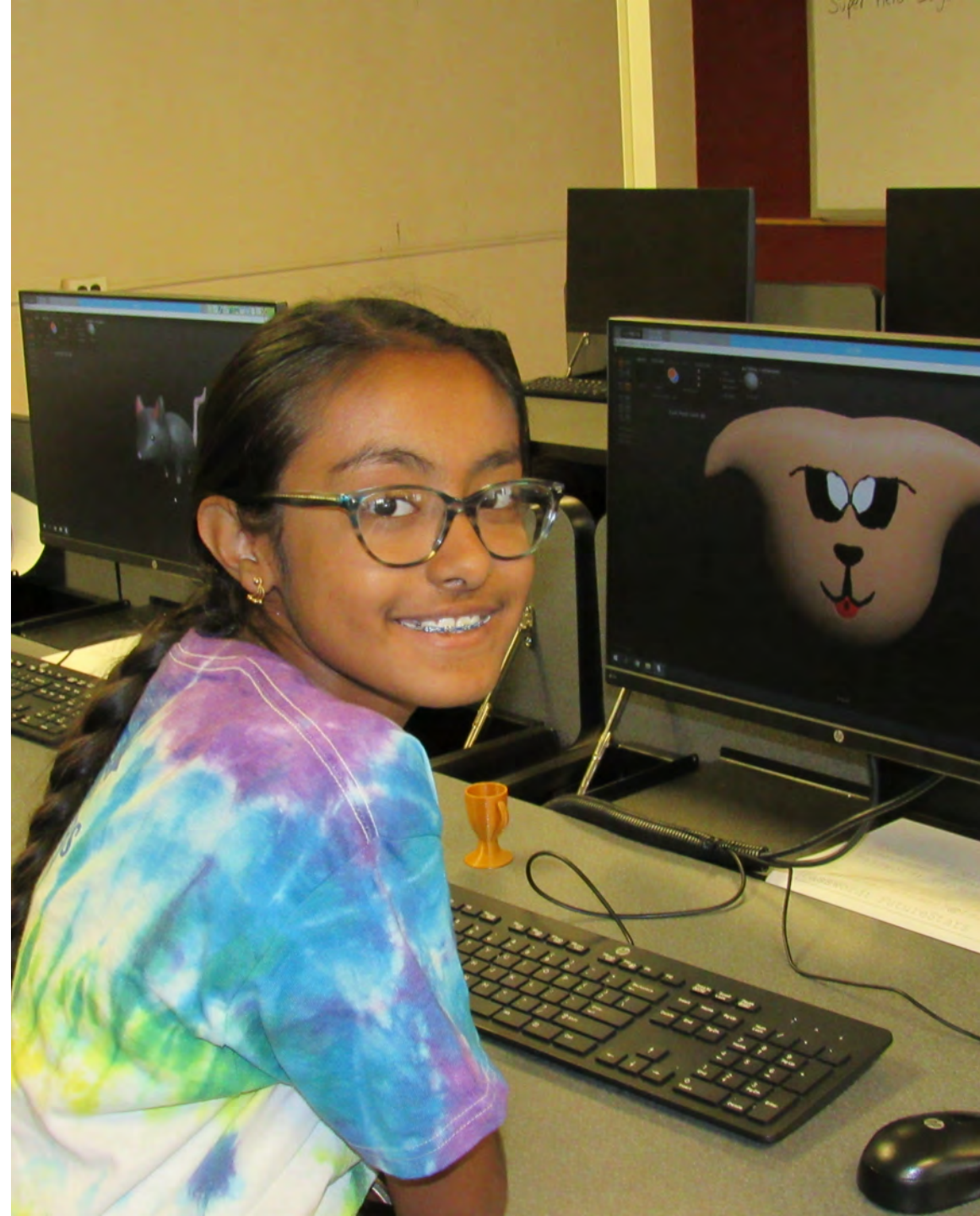
Parents/Guardians are to remain in their vehicle and are not permitted to be on campus for any reason during camp, aside for medical situations that may arise. Campers will be permitted to exit the vehicle subject to Daily Health Screening and Temperature Check, and staff will direct them to their program 'arrival area'. Campers arriving late to camp will need to call the camp office upon arrival, and a staff member will come to greet, screen and escort your camper to their group/ cohort.

\*You may need to allow for extra time during morning arrival as we undergo screening procedures.

## Afternoon Pick-Up

Parents/Guardians are to remain in their vehicle. Upon arrival to the designated pick-up area, a staff member will escort their camper to the vehicle for departure. Campers being picked up early will need to call the camp office to facilitate early pick-up.

\*We recognize that there may be some separation issues with our younger campers. In this instance, we have a system in place that allows parents to escort their children to a designated area on campus where their child's camp counselor will meet them to help with this transition.





# GROUPS/COHORTS

- Campers will be grouped into smaller self-contained cohorts, with a maximum capacity of fifteen (\*15) campers per cohort. There may be multiple cohorts within a given camp program subject to program capacity.
- Groups/Cohorts will participate in camp activities throughout the camp day and will have no or minimal contact with one another or utilize common spaces at the same time to the greatest extent possible.
- Future Stars will make every effort to accommodate group/cohort requests, but there is no guarantee as we adhere to the safety protocols in place.





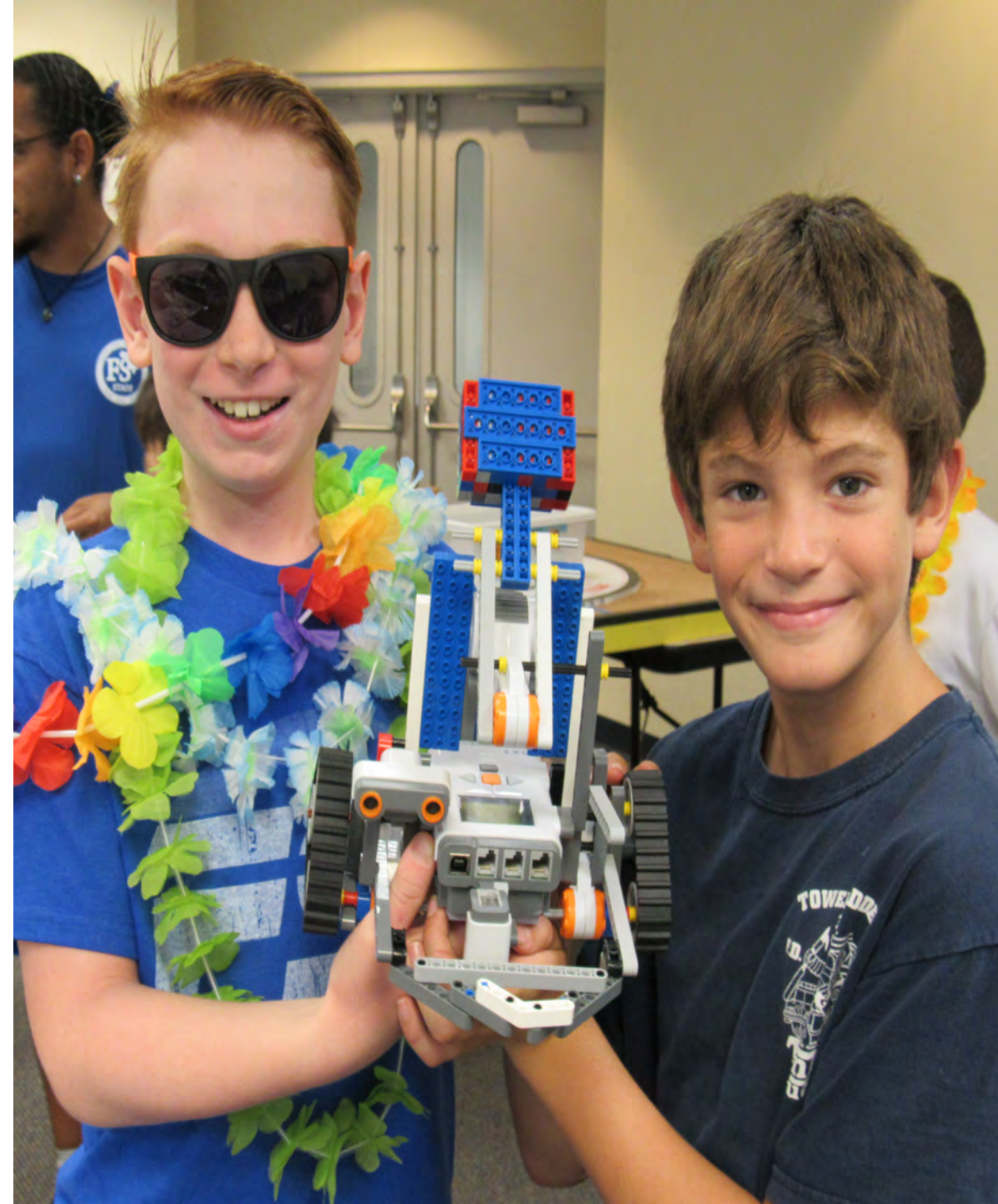
# ACTIVITIES/PROGRAMS

- Camp activities will be modified to reduce physical contact between campers where possible.
- Sports & Recreation Activities will focus more on skill-building and drills. Scrimmages and match play will take place within the group/ cohort only.
- All programs will look to utilize the ample outdoor areas and facilities on campus for fun in the sun and fresh air - shaded areas and tents will be utilized to keep cool during breaks.
- Indoor activities will be structured to maintain adequate distancing and a modified schedule will be followed should programs need to shelter indoors due to inclement weather. We will utilize multiple indoor areas and/or classrooms as required to meet guideline requirements.



# HYGIENE, CLEANING & DISINFECTING

- Campers and staff members will maintain healthy hygiene practices throughout the day.
- Upon arrival, between activity periods, bathroom breaks, and after their final activity, campers and staff will perform hand hygiene by either washing their hands or using appropriate hand sanitizers.
- Hand sanitizer/hand washing stations will be available throughout the camp.
- Groups will typically have their own equipment bags for the week and staff will disinfect on a regular basis each day. Shared equipment will be disinfected after each group's use and will likely only be used once per day by a group.
- Frequently touched/used surfaces will be cleaned on a regular basis each day by Future Stars staff and the campus custodial staff.
- Additional cleaning and disinfecting of equipment and facilities will be done on a regular basis before, during, and after each day.





# WATER BREAKS

- Each camper should bring their own reusable water bottle to camp each day with their name clearly displayed.
- Water breaks will be designed with pre-determined spaces for each child to maintain physical distancing.

# LUNCH

- Campers will eat lunch with their group/cohort in assigned spaces, along with their program staff. Where permitted, the use of indoor cafe space will be utilized, combined with outdoor areas to ensure proper spacing.
- Lunch periods will be staggered to maintain distancing and allow for appropriate cleaning.





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# SWIMMING / WATER PARK

**We are excited for the return of swim & water park activities!**

- There will be ample time between groups during changing periods and there will be set times established for all programs to have fun and cool off.
- On warmer days, we also utilize, misting fans, and sometimes set up extra sprinklers for campers to to run through between activities.

\*Swimming and/or Water Park activities vary by camp location. See additional details on our website for specifics per location.

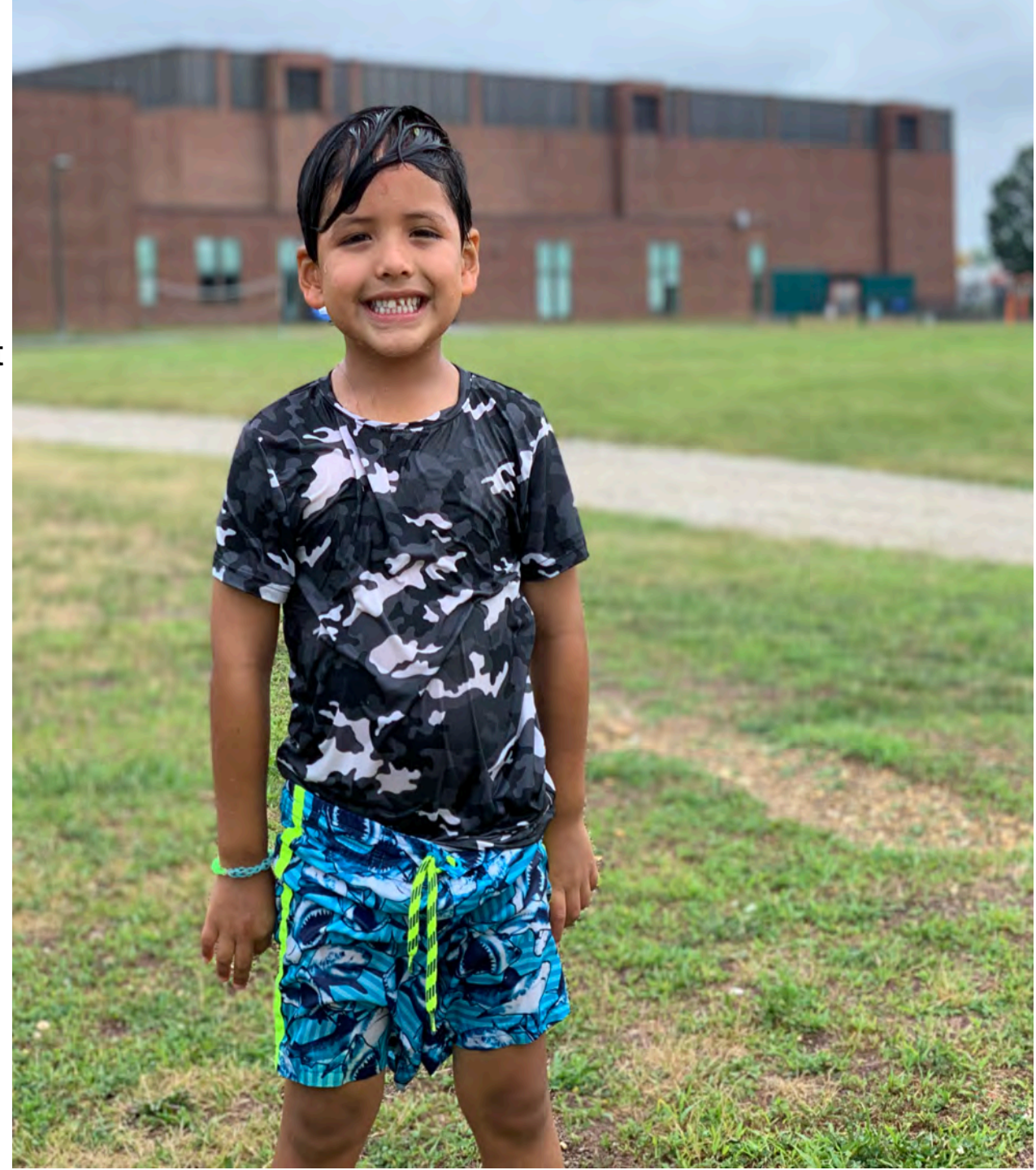




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# INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event that programs need to move indoors due to inclement weather, separate areas will be utilized and activities will be modified to ensure physical distancing and masks/face coverings will be worn.





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# OTHER

Parents should monitor their children for any symptoms throughout the summer and it is suggested to take their temperature each morning before heading to camp.

Your camp director **MUST** be informed if there are any symptoms, positive test results, or close contact situations that may arise. We will need to make sure the staff and families in your camper's cohort are notified.

ANY INFORMATION SHARED WILL ALWAYS BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

Any necessary contact tracing will be done in coordination with the County Health Department.

**As we have for the past 40 years, we are eager to share another amazing summer with you and your children! As always, the safety and well being of our campers, their families and our team members, is our number one priority!**

