

## EVERYHILL SUMMER CAMP PROTOCOLS

Below are the protocols for Averyhill summer camp 2021 based on the most recent Ministry of Health guidelines for summer day camps. These protocols are subject to change at any time.

Mandatory Masks: All campers and staff must wear a mask or face covering at all times indoors and when physical distancing cannot be maintained outdoors.

Groups: Campers will be grouped by age with group sizes of 12 maximum. Groups will rotate through activities as a cohort and will be able to mix with one other group/cohort once per day for a double group game. These double cohorts will remain consistent for the entire week. Campers within each group will be encouraged to practice physical distancing and will wash/sanitize their hands between each activity. Personal belongings will be kept in an area designated for each group. There will be no sharing of personal belongings (sunscreen, bug spray, etc.) or food/drinks. Group requests (ie. siblings/friends in the same group) must be communicated by the Friday prior to your camp week. Absolutely no group changes can occur once our program has started for the week. Please be aware that it is difficult to put children that are more than 2 years apart in the same group and still make the program relevant and safe for everyone.

Drop off & Pick Up: Drop off and pick up will be done just inside the gates to the farm and parents will not be able to enter the camp setting. Daily temperature and symptom checks must be performed at home prior to each camp day and a daily screening form will need to be signed by a parent each morning. Drop off and pick up times are staggered. Campers 10 years of age or older must be dropped off from 8:30-8:45am and picked up from 4:15-4:30pm. Campers 9 years of age or younger must be dropped off from 8:45-9:00am and picked up from 4:00-4:15pm. In the case of siblings, parents may choose the more appropriate time. Early drop off (8am-8:30am) and late pick up (4:30pm-5pm) will still be available however campers will be required to stay in a designated area and must bring a quiet activity (ie. a book to read).

Food & Drink: Campers will be required to bring their own peanut-free lunch, snacks, and drinks every day of the week. Groups will eat lunch in designated areas and will not be able to mix with other groups. There will be no sharing of food and campers must maintain physical distancing while eating. Please note that there are no water fountains at the farm. Bottled water will be available for sale (\$0.50 each) and must be poured into your own reusable water bottle before being consumed.

Washrooms: Campers and staff will be required to wash their hands prior to and after using the washroom facilities. The washroom facilities will be sanitized in the middle and at the end of each day.

Horseback Riding: Each group will be split for riding with only 4 campers riding at any one time. Campers are encouraged to bring their own riding helmet but if they need to borrow a helmet one will be assigned for the week. Averyhill helmets will be sanitized at the end of each week. All campers are required to bring their own boots (must have a distinct heel). These do not have to be proper riding boots, any leather or rain boot with a heel is sufficient. Staff members will be required to wash/sanitize their hands between each group and will wear a surgical/procedure mask when physical distancing cannot be maintained. The reins and the top of the saddle will be sanitized between each camper and all saddles and bridles will be thoroughly cleaned with soap and water daily.

Games/Stage: The majority of all games and stage activities will be played with one group/cohort only. Groups will mix with one other group/cohort once per day for a double group game. These double cohorts will remain consistent for the entire week. Any shared equipment or areas will be sanitized between groups. Staff members will be required to wash/sanitize their hands between each group and will wear a surgical/procedure mask when physical distancing cannot be maintained.

Arts & Crafts: This activity will be done in the art room with all campers spaced 2m apart. All campers will be required to bring a pencil case with the following suggested supplies- pencil, eraser, crayons/pencil crayons/markers, scissors and glue. Averyhill will provide one time use items and craft items that are not shared between campers. The art room will be sanitized between each group. Staff will be required to wash/sanitize their hands between each group and will wear a surgical/procedure mask at all times.

Swimming: Separate changing facilities will be provided and sanitized between each group. Campers are encouraged to have a separate bag for their bathing suit and towel to reduce the need for backpacks in the changing areas. Campers will be asked to maintain physical distancing while in the pool and on the pool deck. Deck chairs/loungers and pool toys will be sanitized between each group. Staff members will be required to wash/sanitize their hands between each group and will wear a surgical/procedure mask when physical distancing cannot be maintained.

Little Animals: Please note that we no longer have guinea pigs and rabbits on the farm.

Cancellation Policy: Camp weeks cancelled before June 1<sup>st</sup> will be given a full refund minus a \$25 cancellation fee. Camp weeks cancelled on June 1<sup>st</sup> or later will be refunded the full amount minus a \$25 cancellation fee **if** we are able to fill your place in camp. If Averyhill cancels your week **at any time** you will receive a refund for the full amount minus the 3% credit card fee.

**IMPORTANT:** Any camper with a fever or any typical or atypical symptoms of COVID-19 is required to stay home. If a camper begins to experience symptoms of COVID-19 while attending camp they will be immediately separated from others in a supervised area. A parent will be notified and it is expected that the camper will be picked up immediately. Any camper that stays home or needs to be sent home due to sickness of any kind will be required to stay home for the remainder of the week and a full refund for the remaining days will be given.

If you have any further questions please email us at [info@averyhillfarm.com](mailto:info@averyhillfarm.com)