

Parents/Guardians,

Although I don't know what the school year might look like, we want to reassure parents and guardians that we are adhering to all of the guidelines, policies, and procedures set forth by NC's Department of Health & Human Services, as well as the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

While making this decision can be difficult, please know that we take the safety, health, and well-being of our staff, children, and families seriously, and so we have put together updated policies and procedures for After-School for the 2020-2021 school year:

- For safety reasons and to be able to maintain proper social distancing, **there will be no more than 10 assigned children to a classroom**. The children will be grouped by grades; K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. **Registration will be on a first come, first serve basis, as spots will be limited**. You **MUST** contact KidsPlex at [afterschool@oc-sportsplex.com](mailto:afterschool@oc-sportsplex.com) or call 919-644-0339 ext. 228 to register as you won't be able to do it online yourself.
- Drop-off and pick-up will no longer take place inside of the Field House. Instead, sign-out will now take place directly outside the entrance to the Field House. Until things are somewhat back to normal, this will be the process moving forward. We are trying to limit the number of people that come in and out of the building to only staff and after-schoolers who have been screened at this time. Please make sure whoever is picking up the child(ren), is wearing a mask and maintains a proper distance. If you pick up prior to 5pm, you will have to call 919-644-0339 ext. 228, as there won't be a staff member running pick up until then.
- **If your child presents COVID-19 symptoms, has a fever of 100.0° or higher, or if he/she doesn't pass the screening, then your child cannot be admitted in**. If your child starts to experience COVID-19 symptoms later on in the afternoon or develops a fever, the child will have to leave and a parent/guardian must be able to immediately come pick them up.
- All counselors and staff interacting or supervising the children will be required to wear a mask. **For the safety of everyone, it will also be required that ALL after-schoolers wear a mask. Parents are expected to provide properly fitted masks for their child(ren). Orange County Sportsplex and KidsPlex will not be responsible for providing masks for its after-schoolers**. Please pack an extra mask or two for safety purposes. While riding in our Sportsplex vehicle from select schools or on the Cameron Park bus, a mask must be worn by your child(ren), and seats will be limited to be able to practice social distancing in the enclosed space.
- Parents/Guardians will be asked to supply their child's snack, which must be completely **NUT-FREE**. They will also need their own water bottle, as the water fountains will be shut off for sanitary reasons.
- We ask that in order to be able to still do crafts, that parents/guardians send their children with their own basic art supplies (crayons, markers, scissors) in a pencil box. It can stay in their cubby, but please make sure their name is on it.
- **On swim days**, your child will need: a bathing suit, towel, and plastic bag for their wet clothes. **On skate days**, your child will need: warm clothes, long socks, and their own

bike helmet (only if you require them to wear one). We are not able to lend out clothes or helmets for sanitary reasons.

- All other materials/supplies/equipment that we use will be thoroughly sanitized before the next group uses it. We have also heightened our end-of-day cleaning procedures, as well. All cleaning solutions will be EPA registered disinfectants, per the CDC's guidelines.
- Spaces that KidsPlex will be utilizing will be taped to ensure social distancing, posters will be put up around the facility to remind children of the social distancing rule, as well as other posters to remind children not to touch their eyes, nose, or mouth, and posters in the bathroom to demonstrate the proper hand-washing technique.
- There will be an adequate amount of hand sanitizer in touch-free dispensers placed around the facility for situations where handwashing is not available.

We understand that there are a lot of new policies and procedures that must be put in place for the safety of our staff, after-schoolers, and families. Thank you for entrusting us with the care of your child(ren)!

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thanks,

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