



Youth Academy COVID19 Health & Safety Measures

NIC is committed to the health and safety of its campus community. Below are the health and safety measures we are implementing for summer camp programs to ensure a safe experience for all while on campus. Please familiarize yourself with the below information. All participants will be required to acknowledge that they have read, understand and agree to the terms of the below information as it relates to the health and safety of program Participants, Instructors and College employees.

Pre – Screening and Sick Policy

- Participants will be asked daily questions in regard to symptoms of illness, recent travel or contact with sick individuals
- Participants who are unable to answer the above pre-screening questions will not be approved for participation.
- Participants will be sent home immediately if showing signs of any illness - cold, allergies included
- Parent/guardians will be responsible to pick-up their child in a timely manner if illness symptoms are reported by program instructors.

Sanitization

- Program instructors and participants will sanitize hands upon check in to the program areas, upon exit and return to program area, and upon return from bathroom breaks
- Workspaces, chairs and equipment will be sanitized between each group.
- Camp day is broken up into four activity time blocks with two 15 minute hygiene breaks and one hour lunch to ensure equipment is appropriately cleaned.
- NIC employs full time cleaners to tend to high touch areas on a rotating schedule every 2 hours.

Visual & Verbal Reminders

- Visual ground markers will be present reminding participants and program instructors of appropriate social distancing
- Signs reminding of handwashing and sanitizing will be present
- Participants will be reminded daily about the health and safety requirements

Designated Outdoor Drop Off and Pickup Zones

- Pending inclement weather, drop off and pickup will take place outdoors. This information is provided in camp information packages emailed to each participant.
- These designated areas will improve drop off efficiency for parents and youth and limit contact with others
- NIC's Comox Valley Campus is closed to the public, parents and students will be required to stay in designated program drop-off/pickup areas.
- Participants will not be checked in more than 15 minutes prior to their lesson

Camp Health and Safety Procedures

- At check in, students will be separated into two cohorts of 8-10
 - They can sign up for a cohort with a friend, or solo
 - The two cohorts will be determined roughly by age, but primarily by student choice
- Students will only interact with their cohort while participating in indoor activities
- Work stations in classrooms, computer labs and science labs will be setup socially distanced
- Masks will be worn at all times while circulating through the indoor camp space.
 - Masks may be removed while seated at socially distanced work stations, providing they are worn once leaving work spaces.
- Combining camp cohorts will only take place outdoors and in socially distanced activities.
- 1 cohort (Max 8-10 students) and one instructor will occupy an indoor program area during a single activity block (as per NIC COVID capacity procedures)
- All breaks will be provided outdoors pending inclement weather. NIC campuses have wonderful green space in which to enjoy a meal, play socially distanced games and get fresh air.

Please note this information follows Health and Safety recommendations as ordered by the Provincial Health Officer as of March 1, 2021. NIC and Youth Academy will be updating information on our website as quickly as possible as new information becomes available. Please check your local health authority website for the most up to date information on COVID19 health and safety guidelines.

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