

Dear Friends of Camp Walter Scott,

We are excited to plan for a full camping experience at Camp Walter Scott this year! After a year without camp and another year with modified camps, we are thrilled for the possibility of returning to a full week of camp for our youth in 2022. Although this appears to be a return to normalcy, we cannot deny that COVID-19 still remains a concern. Our goal has always been to provide the highest level of safety possible for all our guests and so we remain committed to implementing strategies, policies, and procedures that promote the well-being of everyone at Camp Walter Scott.

Last year, we developed and implemented a COVID-19 policy that helped us maintain a safe and healthy camping experience. We are continuously monitoring the COVID-19 situation in our state as well as the recommendations from the CDC and the Illinois Health Department so that we can reassess and adjust our policies and procedures accordingly while still ensuring the highest level of safety possible. We intend on maintaining some of our new policies and procedures that promote health and safety without being too disruptive of a typical camp experience. For instance, we will continue with our cleaning and sanitizing efforts, with our strategies to maximize the use of various spaces efficiently, and with procedures for handling any potential outbreaks while at camp. Some requirements such as indoor masking, providing proof of vaccination and/or negative COVID-19 might still be implemented but they will largely depend on how the COVID-19 situation plays out in the upcoming weeks as well as based on recommendations by the CDC, the state of Illinois, and other experts.

We will continue to keep you updated on any changes to our policies with as much time as we can give you. In the meantime, I want to encourage everyone considering camp to register early. Cancellations before 2 weeks prior to the start of camp will be fully refunded so that you can register with confidence. If you have any questions, please reach out to me or to our Camp Walter Scott Host, Clayton Summers.

I am grateful for all of our campers, directors, counselors, staff, volunteers, and friends of Camp Walter Scott. I know that we are all looking to have a meaningful and safe experience at camp this year.

Blessings.

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