

JusticeworX COVID Policy and Procedures

We are grateful that adherence to COVID guidelines enabled us to safely host hundreds of participants this past summer (2021). Our goal is to continue this trend in 2022!

We remain mindful of the frequent changes made to national and state COVID mandates and guidelines pertaining to youth and camp programs. To that effect, we have revised our own COVID protocols to align with those updated standards and ensure that our participants can have the most meaningful and safe experience possible. The safety of our participants, leaders, and service partners has been and will remain our top priority.

Based on updates made to CDC and NJ Department of Health Guidelines for Summer Youth Camps, CFJ will follow these safety measures for all planned programs during Summer 2022:

Pre-Program Preparation:

- To avoid unnecessary exposure, we encourage participants to practice “low-risk behavior” starting 7 days before the program, which is a critical time to protect against Covid. For instance, avoid large gatherings at concerts or stadiums, crowded venues, and mass transit. If unvaccinated, wear a mask when indoors with people outside your household when social distancing cannot be maintained.
- If participants are exposed to Covid during the week leading up to camp, the test results may not detect the virus due to its incubation period. A negative test result only means you were not infected at the time your sample was collected. While testing is helpful, low-risk behavior during the 7-day screening period is the key to preventing Covid from disrupting the program.
- If the participant is attending school anytime during the screening period, masking is recommended - particularly for the unvaccinated.

Pre-Program Mandatory Documents:

- Although participants are not required to be vaccinated to attend our programs, we still ask that participants submit proof of vaccination as applicable.
- JusticeworX:
 - Participants and staff must submit proof of a negative COVID test by Saturday morning (11:00 a.m.) before their program week begins, regardless of vaccination status. Both at-home rapid test and PCR test results will be accepted.

Face-Mask Policy:

- Out of an abundance of caution for our community partners and vulnerable populations, masks will be required for all participants while working at indoor service sites.
 - Neck gaiters do not count as masks.
- During afternoon and evening activities at the host site, unvaccinated participants are strongly encouraged to wear a mask since they may be indoors and not able to properly physically distance themselves from others.
 - Vaccinated participants will not be required to wear a mask during afternoon and evening activities.
- Participants are not required to wear a mask regardless of vaccination status in outdoor settings, provided there is ample space for social distancing.

In the event of a Positive Covid Case:

- If a program participant is showing two or more symptoms of COVID-19, they will be quarantined immediately in a separate designated space, and a rapid test will be administered on-site. The parent(s) will be notified immediately.
- If the participant tests positive, they will remain quarantined, and their parent(s) will be notified. In this event, parents have 24 hours to pick up their child from the program host site. Details for pick-up will be discussed with CFJ staff.
 - In the case of JusticeworX Dunlow, WV, an effort will be made to meet the parents halfway, depending on staffing and availability. We cannot, however, guarantee this will be an option.
- If a participant tests positive, all other participants will be monitored, parents will be contacted, and all participants will wear masks for the duration of the program.

Other protocols will remain in place:

- Consistent hand washing and sanitizing of shared spaces.
- Emphasis on outdoor time, weather permitting, for large group activities, eating, and community time.

As always, we ask for parent cooperation in this process. If your child is sick, experiencing COVID symptoms, or has come in contact with someone who has COVID prior to a scheduled program, please refrain from sending them. We will work with you to find an alternative for them to participate. It is in the best interest of all involved that we protect ourselves and one another. Thank you!