

## Kids' Company Summer COVID-19 Plan

Availability of care and programming for children of critical sector workers has been crucial for the availability of the state's frontline workers to confront the COVID-19 pandemic. As capacity allows and MDH requirements are implemented, summer programming and education sites may choose to provide care and programming to any child. The CDC has developed helpful guidance for child care programs serving children this summer.

### COVID-19 EXCLUSION GUIDANCE

Kids' Company will follow the MDH Decision Tree for Symptomatic People in Schools & Child Care Programs. [COVID-19 EXCLUSION GUIDANCE DECISION TREE](#)

Should a staff member or participant be diagnosed with COVID-19 the program will contact our district nurse and the MN Dept of Health for guidance and the program may be subject to close for a determined period of time as directed by the MN Dept of Health. For non COVID-19 related illness Kids' Company will follow the regular health policies.

### SAFE PROGRAM ENVIRONMENT

- **Arrival**
  - Everyone enters the building through Door # 1
  - All individuals will be screened. The program will follow the [COVID-19 EXCLUSION GUIDANCE DECISION TREE](#)
- **Signing children In & Out**
  - Hand sanitizer available at check-in for use
  - Program will work to sanitize iPad after each use
- Activities adapted to allow for physical distancing of at least 6 feet whenever possible
- Working to maintain a ratio of 1 staff for every 9 children
- Canceling of field trips
- Assist children in applying their own sunscreen to avoid contact
- Staff assisting children unable to apply their own sunscreen will use gloves or wash between applications.
- All areas used by children and staff are sanitized daily. Task lists are posted in each area outline sanitation procedures.

### STRATEGIZING MEAL TIMES

- Meal times will be staggered to minimize the number of people eating at any one time.
- Children will be encouraged to sit 6 feet apart in the lunchroom as space allows.
- Tables and areas will be sanitized between groups.
- Staff serving meals should follow [MDH's Food Service Worker Safety Information \(www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/schools/foodservice.pdf\)](#).
  - Stay home when sick
  - Wash hands often
  - Wear gloves when handling food
  - Wear face mask

### ENCOURAGE AND REINFORCE SOCIAL NORMS & HEALTH ETIQUETTE

Promote materials and trainings to ensure that staff, volunteers, and participants:

- Always cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw used tissues in the trash. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your arm or elbow.
- Staff asked to wear face mask when working with children
- Cover Your Cough ([www.health.state.mn.us/people/cyc/index.html](#))
- Ask staff, volunteers, and participants to wash hands upon arriving, before and after eating meals, before and after applying sunscreen, and when entering or leaving indoor spaces.
- Have hand sanitizer and tissues readily available for use by staff, volunteers, and participants.
- Ensure the availability of appropriate cleaning supplies (e.g., disinfectant wipes) for cleaning of high-touch surfaces (see more details below).
- Ensure participants aren't sharing water bottles, food, or other items.