



FALL 2020

SAFETY PROTOCOLS



WHEN YOU ARRIVE

- Please remain in your vehicle until 10 minutes before your scheduled class/activity.
- Line up at the entrance, following social distancing requirements.
- Each participant must wear a face covering to enter the facility and must have their temperature checked, with no exceptions.
- Sanitize or wash hands before entering your assigned room. A portable hand sanitizer station will be at the entrance for all to use when entering the building. If not available, be sure to wash your hands using the nearest bathroom.

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

All Facilities:

- Participants must perform daily wellness checks at home. If you are feeling sick (cough, fever, nausea, runny nose, etc.), you must stay home.
- Access to community centers is limited to registered participants and staff, with the exception of parents of registered preschoolers ages 2-5.
- All registered participants must have a completed waiver form on file to engage in programs, activities and classes.
- Face coverings are required for all staff and participants when indoors unless otherwise noted. Exceptions include when using cardio equipment. Please follow all signage and staff instructions.
- Face coverings will be provided at the entry door for participants who do not have one of their own.
- Social distancing - staying six feet away from others - must be observed at all times, with an understanding of the challenges and limitations for social distancing with very young children and individuals with disabilities.
- Water fountains will be available, however, participants should bring their own water bottles.
- One-way directional signs and entrance- and exit-only doors have been put in place to facilitate social distancing. Please follow all signage and staff instructions.

Aquatics Center

- Access to the center is limited to registered participants and staff. Children ages 14 and under must be supervised by a registered parent/guardian. Children ages 8 and under must have a parent or guardian within arm's reach at all times.
- All participants and staff are required to wear face coverings when entering and exiting the building, while on deck and in common areas, however, they are not required while in the pool.
- Locker rooms will be available for changing, however, lockers will not be available for use. We strongly recommend that participants arrive wearing swim attire.
- Showers will remain closed until partitions are installed (expected by mid-fall).
- Bathrooms are limited to one person at a time, except for members of the same family/ household.

Community Centers and Seniors (50+) Programs

- Access to community centers is limited to registered participants and staff, with the exception of parents of registered preschoolers ages 2-5.
- Parents/guardians of registered preschoolers must wait in the designated waiting area until their child is dismissed from their class/activity.
- Parents/guardians of registered youth ages 6-17 will not be allowed in the community centers or Outdoor Education facilities. Youth must be dropped off and picked up at entrance and exit doors.
- Social distancing - staying six feet away from others - must be observed at all times, with an understanding of the challenges and limitations for social distancing with very young children and individuals with disabilities.
- No lingering in hallways or common area. Please go directly to your assigned activity room. If finished with activities, please exit the building promptly.
- Registered participants waiting on transportation must wait in the designated waiting area.
- Participants in the fitness area may remove face coverings while using cardio equipment.
- Fitness equipment must be disinfected by each user both before and after use, with the solution provided by the center.
- Lockers will not be available. Participants are encouraged to only bring what is needed for their session, class, workout or activity. Participants will be required to keep their belongings with them at all times.
- No shared gymnasium equipment will be provided.
- Participants should practice continual hand washing/sanitizing throughout the day, including after using the restroom, returning from outside activity, before lunch or when visibly soiled, as well as prior to leaving for the day.
- Only one person is permitted in the elevator at a time, with the exception of individuals requiring assistance and families/members of the same household.

Cultural Arts Center

- Participants must wash or sanitize hands before entering art studios.
- Participants must sanitize hands before and after using equipment.
- Visitors to the gallery must register in advance for a time block.

Outdoor Recreation

- Some activities, including adventure programming, may require a supplemental waiver. Waivers must be completed during registration, either online or in person.
- Activities will take place outdoors rain or shine. Participants should arrive prepared for current and variable weather conditions. If a program is canceled due to severe weather conditions, our staff will notify parents/guardians as quickly as possible.

Sports

- Everyone must adhere to social distancing – maintaining six feet of distance – on the fields and in common areas.
- No-touching rules are implemented wherever possible (handshakes, etc.)
- Congregating in parking lots, on sports fields and in common areas is not permitted.
- Bleacher seating is limited and marked for social distancing. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own chairs.
- League organizers must maintain a complete list of players, coaches and employees present at each event. The list must include the date, beginning and time of the event, and contact information (address and phone number) for each participant on the team.
- View the full list of Columbus Recreation and Parks Department safety protocols for Sports and sporting events at CRPDSports.org/RestartUS.

Therapeutic Recreation

- Accompanying parent/guardian and or caregiver must be a registered participant, and must remain with registered child/individual at all times. Those waiting for participants or transportation must wait in the designated waiting area.
- Masks must be worn and social distancing must be maintained in the designated waiting area at all times.
- Social distancing - staying six feet away from others - must be observed at all times, with an understanding of the challenges and limitations for social distancing with very young children and children with disabilities.
- Registered participants are expected to clean equipment before and after each use/session, with the solution provided by the center.
- Participants in the fitness area may remove face coverings while using cardio equipment.
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CONTACT US

For the latest information and updates, visit Columbus.gov/RecParksCOVID19/, call 614-645-3300 (and select option 3) or follow us on social media.

