

The Learning Zoo COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols

COVID-19

The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect people of all ages. Certain measures such as cloth face coverings or non-medical grade masks, respiratory etiquette, frequent hand washing/hand sanitation and environmental cleaning help us minimize the spread of the disease.

Parents or guardians should monitor the health of their child and keep them home if they are displaying any symptom of COVID or another illness.

Protocols for The Learning Zoo activities include but are not limited to:

General Protocols:

- Masks are required inside our air-conditioned Reptile House and optional on the rest of the property.
- Events will include scheduled hand washing
- The Learning Zoo will provide frequent sanitation of our facilities
- Disinfecting items such as class materials that must be shared often is incorporated into our planning. We will limit sharing of items as much as possible.
- Personal water bottles are encouraged.
- Class sizes are limited.

Please self-assess with these questions:

1. Have you been fever-free without the use of fever reducing medications for the last 72 hours? (If answer is “no”, student should not attend The Learning Zoo.)
2. Have you had any unusual respiratory distress including cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, loss of taste or smell, or chills in the past 72 hours? (If answer is “yes,” student should not attend The Learning Zoo.)
3. Have you been in close physical contact with anyone with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days? (If answer is “yes”, student should not attend The Learning Zoo.)

If a Learning Zoo student has been exposed to a suspected or confirmed positive COVID-19 case:

The student who has been in direct contact with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days must either wait to return to the Zoo for the requisite 10-14 days or obtain a negative Covid-19 test 5 days after exposure before returning to The Learning Zoo activities.

Please assess your child's health each day. If your child is sick, please do not bring them to The Learning Zoo.

If a Learning Zoo student becomes sick while in class:

If a student exhibiting COVID-like, or other virus, symptoms will be quarantined from the other students immediately and emergency contact will be called and asked to pick them up as soon as possible. They will not be permitted back to The Learning Zoo until they have been symptom and fever-free for 72 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications OR you obtain a medical professional's note clearing your child to return based on a negative COVID-19 test result taken at least 5 days after exposure and being fever-free for 24 hours.

If you suspect that you or anyone in your household has COVID-19, please refrain from attending The Learning Zoo.

Masks:

Masks are required inside our air-conditioned Reptile House and optional on the rest of the property. If you have your own reusable mask, please bring it to The Learning Zoo with you. We will have a limited supply of disposable masks available.

Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have issued official guidance on the minimum health protocols for the gathering of children and adults in childcare centers, youth developmental organizations, and summer camps. The Learning Zoo, LLC, will meet or exceed the minimum health protocols set forth in federal, state and local guidance; however, the risk of COVID-19 exposure or infection cannot be entirely eliminated. Attending The Learning Zoo functions could increase your risk and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending The Learning Zoo functions and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at The Learning Zoo may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, The Learning Zoo employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)'s attendance at The Learning Zoo or participation in The Learning Zoo programming. On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless The Learning Zoo, its employees, volunteers, and representatives, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of The Learning Zoo, its employees, volunteers and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any The Learning Zoo program.

Please sign that you understand and agree to The Learning Zoo Covid-19 release.

SIGNATURE

DATE

Student Name(s)

