

Hello and Greetings from Black Rock Retreat,

Thank you for your patience and prayers as we navigate this challenging time. We have been so blessed by all the support from our camper families over the past few months. We are doing our best to ensure that camp will be a fun and safe experience for kids this summer. We know that people have a lot of questions about what camp is going to look like, so we wanted to send out our policies for running summer camp amid Covid-19. We understand that this is a lot of information and that these policies will make camp function differently. Despite this, we want to encourage you and your family that camp life is going to look and feel very similar to the way it has in the past. We hope that you will prayerfully consider joining us this summer and are looking forward to having campers on site soon. If you have any other questions after reading this document, please feel free to contact us at [help@brr.org](mailto:help@brr.org).

As of right now, we have decided to start summer camp on July 5<sup>th</sup> with the knowledge that we will most likely be in the green phase of reopening. Below you will find the new dates for overnight camp and Discipleship Crew.

It is important for you to know that campers will mainly be interacting within "family units." What this means is that each cabin will be paired with one or two other cabins totaling no more than 25 people and will not need to wear masks when interacting with others in this group. We will intentionally plan our schedule around outdoor and small group activities so that campers will not need to wear masks. If a situation occurs where campers need to wear masks, (tornado warnings, severe weather, etc.) one will be provided for them.

In order to make Black Rock Summer Camp a safe place and adhere to CDC/State recommendations, we will only be accepting campers from counties that have also entered the green phase of reopening. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accept anyone coming from an area that is a hot spot or experiencing a spike in Covid-19 cases.

### **2020 Updated Black Rock Summer Camp Dates**

<b>WEEK</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATES/TIMES</b>
1	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade (Mini Week)	<b>July 5</b> (arrival begins 3pm) – <b>July 7</b> (departure begins 3pm)
2	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Jr. High Week	<b>July 12</b> (arrival begins 3pm) – <b>July 17</b> (departure begins 3pm)
3	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sr. High (Teen Week)	<b>July 19</b> (arrival begins 3pm) – <b>July 24</b> (departure begins 3pm)
4	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sr. High (Teen Week)	<b>July 26</b> (arrival begins 3pm) – <b>July 31</b> (departure begins 3pm)
5	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Jr. High Week	<b>August 2</b> (arrival begins 3pm) – <b>August 7</b> (departure begins 3pm)
6	4 <sup>th</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Week	<b>August 16</b> (arrival begins 3pm) – <b>August 20</b> (departure begins 3pm)

### **Discipleship Crew Session Dates**

<b>Session 1</b>	<b>July 12</b> (arrive 3pm) – <b>July 24</b> (depart 6pm)
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>July 26</b> (arrive 3pm) – <b>August 7</b> (depart 6pm)

## Before camp

- Beginning two weeks before bringing your camper to Black Rock Retreat, please begin monitoring for symptoms of COVID-19. Symptoms of COVID-19 can include: fever of 100.4 degrees or greater, cough, shortness of breath, diarrhea, fatigue, headache, muscle aches, nausea, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, runny nose, or vomiting. Anyone exhibiting any of these symptoms will be asked to stay home.
- Consider travel plans that your camper or anyone in your household will be doing within 14 days of dropping off your camper. International travel or travel to areas with widespread COVID-19 infections may prohibit your camper from attending Black Rock Retreat. Please contact us with any specific questions about travel.
- If your camper has contact with anyone with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 within 14 days of attending camp, your camper will be asked to stay home.

## Registration

- In order to limit the number of people coming on-site during the check-in process, we will be assigning your family a timeslot for registration. We also ask that only one parent (or adult) accompanies the camper and that no siblings come along.
- We will require parents to wear a mask if outside of their personal vehicle and refrain from entering the cabins. We will have counselors in each cabin to help campers set up their bunks and arrange their belongings.
- At the beginning of the check-in process, all campers will have temperature checks and any campers with a temperature over 100.4, or other obvious symptoms of COVID-19, will be asked to return home.
- Also during the check-in process, we will be asking about travel in the last 14 days and if the camper has had contact with anyone with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19.

## During Camp

- Campers will be required to wash hands frequently throughout the day including before and after meals and activities. Hand sanitizing stations will be available wherever there is not access to soap and water.
  - Cabins of campers and counselors will be paired with other cabins to form a family group (no more than 25 people total).
  - Within this family group, campers and staff will act as if they are members of the same household.
  - Masks will not be required within the family group; all staff from outside of the family group will be required to wear masks while working with campers.

- Family groups will maintain physical distancing from other family groups.
- Family groups will have some of their own sports equipment (like basketballs and gaga balls) that will not be shared with other family groups.
- Cabins
  - Campers sleep head to toe on top/bottom bunks.
  - Bathrooms and other high touch areas will be disinfected at least twice a day.
  - Bathroom items may not be stored in the bathroom and should be kept in campers' own belongings – see packing list for more information.
  - If a staff member needs to enter a cabin that is not their own, they will wear a mask and gloves.
  - Campers may not enter any cabins other than their own.
  - To promote ventilation, cabin windows will be open whenever possible; ceiling and floor fans will also be used to help circulate fresh air.
- Activities
  - Much like past summers, camp activities will be outdoors whenever possible.
  - While leading activities, program staff will wear masks and maintain physical distancing from the group when feasible.
  - All equipment and supplies that are shared between family groups will be disinfected between each group's use; when feasible, each group will be supplied with their own equipment.
  - Due to current guidelines and recommendations, no high ropes elements (including zipline), water trampoline, or indoor nature center programs will be available this summer.
  - Large group activities will support physical distancing between family groups.
- Meals
  - Family groups will eat their meals together and meals will be individually packaged for each person.
  - Meals will be eaten outside whenever possible, but in the event of inclement weather, meals will be eaten in cabins.
  - With advance notice, we can provide gluten-free, dairy free, and vegetarian meal options. All meals will be peanut and tree nut free. Please contact our Office Administrator at [help@brr.org](mailto:help@brr.org) at least 7 days in advance of your week with your camper's meal specifications.

### Ongoing screening

- All campers and staff will have their resting temperature taken in the morning and evening.
- In the case of any temperature over 100.4 or other obvious symptoms of COVID-19, we will enact our Communicable Disease Protocol.

### After camp

- Monitor your camper for fever and other COVID-19 symptoms. If symptoms develop, contact Black Rock Retreat as soon as possible.
- Black Rock Retreat highly recommends a 14-day quarantine period that limits contact with high-risk individuals after returning home from your week of camp.

### When masks will be required for campers

- If camper begins exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19
- If a family group is in a setting where physical distancing cannot be maintained from another family group
- Black Rock Retreat will provide masks as needed for campers who do not already have one.

### Other policies

- The goal of the family group is to limit contact with anyone outside the group. Please ensure that all doctor's appointments and other commitments are not scheduled during your camper's week since no campers will be allowed to return to camp if they leave for any reason.
- The summer staff at Black Rock Retreat is committed to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to the health of your camper. All hired summer staff have agreed to stay at camp all summer in order to limit their exposure to contagion.