

## Teen Expeditions COVID-19 Protocols

The leadership team at Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, in accordance with guidelines provided by the State of Vermont's Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Vermont Department of Health, and the CDC, has introduced the following working list of safety protocols to allow expeditions to proceed this summer. We will review and revise these protocols regularly as the situation progresses. In the event that the State changes the guidelines we may have to modify or cancel the trip. The state protocols for overnight summer programs can be found at

<https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/Overnight-Summer-Camp-Guidance.pdf>

### Pre-Expedition Protocols (from Vermont State Guidelines)

- Use multiple non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPI) at all times unless with and within your single household. This family group is your cohort.
- These NPIs are most important: maintaining as strict a cohort as possible outside of mandatory school and direct work requirements or activities needed for the care of children including day camp and childcare, wearing face masks when with anyone not in your household, and conducting any interactions with those outside your cohort outdoors. Do not attend funerals, weddings, or family events (even visits to family members living outside your household).
- Do not have playdates or participate in team sports, attend recitals or other such gatherings.
- Evidence of a negative PCR test taken within the three days before arrival (and as close to arrival as possible) will be required unless the participant has proof of vaccination.
- We strongly encourage families to have their participants vaccinated if possible. We at LCMM feel that this is the best way to ensure a safe, fun summer for all of our teens, in addition to helping prevent the spread of COVID-19 within our communities.

### Traveling to the Museum Protocols

- Travel to camp should be as direct as possible.
- Travel should optimally be single day trips with contactless behaviors along the way.
- If public transport or carpooling is the only option, NPIs must be used to minimize contact with others.

### Expedition Drop-Off Protocols

- On the expedition start date, we will be staggering participant drop off. You will receive further instructions about your drop off time by email from a member of our team.
- All individuals must wear a mask during participant drop off.

- We will conduct a health screening for all staff and participants upon arrival. This screening will include checking proof of negative test or of vaccination, temperature check, review for any COVID-19 symptoms, and a brief review of participant and household activities in the two weeks prior. Anyone with a temperature over 100.4 will be sent home immediately.
- All participants will review the proper use of face masks and hygiene protocols, including hand washing and hand sanitizer use, daily health checks, and cleaning

## On Expedition Protocols

- There will be no contact with people outside of the expedition group. If necessary, only staff will make contact, remaining socially distant and masked.
- Temperature and symptom checks will be performed daily . If someone has a fever of over 100.4 or another symptom of COVID-19, we will coordinate with their family to get them tested. In the event of a positive test, the expedition will be canceled and participants picked up by their families. If the test is negative, and that participant feels well enough to continue, we will coordinate reuniting them with the group.
- Staff and participants will wear face masks when closer than 6 feet to other people.
- Due to the outdoor, on-water nature of these expeditions, we will make hand sanitizer readily available at all times when running water and soap are not accessible.
- Hand sanitizer will be used before and after any group activity
- Hand sanitizer will be used after any visit to a public restroom or after using an outdoor toilet
- Participants and staff will each sleep in their own single tents
- Participants will use and wash their own plate, bowl and cutlery

## End of Expedition Pick-Up Protocols

- Participant parent or guardians are required to pick up their participant at the take-out site. You will receive information about the take-out site by email
- All individuals must wear a mask during participant pick up.