

PAR COURRIER ÉLECTRONIQUE

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To parents with children attending a day camp in Montréal

**Subject: Information for parents with children attending a day camp in Montréal**

Dear parents,

Attending a day camp this summer presents many benefits for your kids, including opportunities to socialize, to be active and to have fun. These benefits are even more important given the repercussions of the pandemic on Quebecers' family lives. For these reasons, it is important for us to share with you the efforts day camps have deployed to offer a secure environment for young people in this extraordinary context. We also want to inform you regarding the information day camps had access to before their opening in order to make sure that their services complied with Quebec government requirements.

First of all, a guide for the reopening of day camps in COVID-19 context was produced by the Association des camps du Québec (ACQ). This guide intended to give tools to camp operators in order to plan their reopening. The ACQ also produced a mandatory online training for monitors and companions to guide them on how to implement the sanitary measures. To complete these tools, la Direction régionale de santé publique (DRSP) de Montreal along with Sport et loisir de l'île de Montréal have accompanied day camp managers in their opening and will maintain the support all summer long. If required, the DRSP will respond rapidly and support day camp operators if a problematic situation occurs.

It is also important that your child does not attend day camp if they have symptoms similar to COVID-19 (ex: fever, dry cough). This rule also applies to day camp employees. Also, it is recommended to inform the day camp leader if your child has any medical condition that could be confused with COVID-19 (ex: allergies, stomach ache). Finally, we want to take a moment to acknowledge all your efforts in applying the recommended public health measures.

If we all work together, we will be able to reduce the impact of the pandemic. If you have any questions or concerns, we invite you to go to the following website: Québec<https://campsquebec.com/>.

Kindest regards,

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