

IN-PERSON SUMMER PROGRAMS DURING COVID-19

Mites Playground Adventure | Playground Adventure |
Bike Rangers | Fishing Club | Hiking Club | T-ball

GUIDELINES AND SAFETY MEASURES

- **REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT:** Register and pay online with credit card before arriving at the program.
- **PODS:** Participants will be assigned activity pods that will remain as consistent as possible throughout the summer. Communication regarding pod assignments will be emailed to participants before the start of the program. Children who wish to request one friend to have in their pod may indicate this on the Child Safety Data Form. Siblings will be placed in pods together unless otherwise indicated by the family. Pods will have a maximum of 10 people and consist of the program-specific participant-to-staff ratios listed below.
 - Summer Playground Adventure: 9:1
 - Mites Playground Adventure: 8:2
 - Bike Rangers: 8:2
 - Fishing Club: 8:2
 - Hiking Club: 8:2
 - T-Ball: 4:1
- **PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:** Staff will wear masks when at worksite unless working in an isolated workspace. Staff will wear gloves when handling equipment, during check-in/check-out procedures, when applying necessary first aid, and when wiping down limited-use facilities.
- **PROGRAM EQUIPMENT:** Equipment is sanitized daily and between uses in accordance with the Minnesota Department of Health guidelines. Individual equipment will be assigned when possible. Sharing is discouraged. If sharing must occur, equipment will be sanitized between uses. Guardians and participants for Biking Programs are responsible for having personal bikes and equipment on site and ready for use.
- **PARK FACILITIES & GROUNDS:** Use of physical park amenities, other than athletic facilities, is discouraged. Water fountains will not be operational. Programs will observe social distancing between participants and general park users.
- **PROGRAM ARRIVAL, DEPARTURE, & CANCELATIONS:** Participants cannot check in more than 5 minutes before the start of the program. Hand sanitizer will be used upon arrival and departure. Guardians are expected to practice social distancing before check-in and check-out. In the event of wet or inclement weather, the program will be canceled as no activities will take place inside park shelter buildings.
- **PERSONAL BELONGINGS:** Personal belongings brought to the program should be limited to essential needs only (ie, water bottles, bug spray, sunscreen, etc) and will remain in an assigned location for the duration of program. Participants who access their belongings during the program will need to use hand sanitizer before resuming any activities.
- **PROGRAM EMPLOYEE AND PARTICIPANT RESTROOM ACCESS:** Building restrooms are closed to the public. Program staff and participants will have access as required. Restrooms will be cleaned and disinfected daily by the Park Maintenance Department, and program staff will disinfect all common touch points as needed.
- **PUBLIC HEALTH:** Participants shall not attend City of Golden Valley programs if they are sick with COVID-19, were recently exposed (within 14 days) to someone with COVID-19, or are sick or have symptoms (ie, fever, cough, or shortness of breath). If staff observe a participant with symptoms, they will be asked to leave the program.
- Avoid touching your face with your hands and unnecessary contact with frequently touched surfaces. Cough and sneeze with a tissue (or sleeve or elbow, if necessary), throw the dirty tissue away, and immediately wash your hands.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water (20 seconds or more), or sanitize with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer of at least 60 percent.
- Cloth face masks can be considered an additional measure to reduce risk in public but are NOT a replacement for social distancing. [The MDH website has guidelines for when to wear a mask.](#)