Bernheim COVID-19 Precautions and Guidelines

The safety of our staff, visitors, and program participants has always been a priority at Bernheim. In the times of COVID, this concern is even more crucial. Being outdoors during Bernheim programming greatly reduces the chance of COVID-19 transfer. In addition to that, Bernheim has already instituted daily temperature checks for staff, increased cleaning and disinfecting of surfaces, and social distancing amongst all within the park. For Bernheim programming, we have come up with a series of precautions and procedures that correspond with state guidelines to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. To offer your family and others a safe experience, we require that all participants follow the following guidelines. Failure to do so will result in your child being sent home without refund.

Bernheim Staff COVID-19 Guidelines

- Every morning, all Bernheim staff conduct a temperature check prior to beginning their workday.
  - Temperatures above 100.4 require the employee to leave site and receive a COVID-19 test
- Bernheim staff is instituting social distancing strategies, including
  - social distancing of 6’ even when wearing a mask
  - mandatory wearing of a mask when inside a facility
  - mandatory wearing of a mask when outdoors and speaking to a Bernheim employee or visitor within 10’
- Increased cleaning of facilities, including daily disinfection of facility doors, sinks, toilets, etc.

Bernheim Educators Programming COVID-19 Guidelines

- Educators will always wear a mask when working with the group
- Educators will maintain 6’ from participants when at all possible.
- Should an educator show signs of illness, they will immediately find a replacement and return home.
- Educators will sanitize surfaces used by the group at the beginning and end of each day
- Educators will monitor and enforce the COVID-19 guidelines outlined in this document.
General Bernheim COVID-19 Guidelines

- Weather permitting, programming will take place entirely outdoors, where chance of transmission of COVID-19 is lessened.
  - Should foul weather arise, participants will be taken to a covered shelter. In the event of dangerous weather, participants will be brought inside the Education Center until pick up is available.
- Participants will be asked to wash their hands frequently, and for at least 20 seconds.
- If a participant shows signs of illness, they will be removed from the group and taken to a safe area to await transportation home. A parent or guardian will be called, and expected to retrieve their child within the hour.
- Bernheim Arboretum will notify enrolled families if there are any confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the program.

Participant and Family COVID-19 Guidelines

- During pick-up and drop-off, parents and guardians are expected to stay in the parking lot, and not to approach the program area.
  - Bernheim Educators will greet each participant, and bring them to the program area
  - While in the parking lot, all parents and children must be wearing a mask.
- Each morning, Bernheim Educators will administer a temperature check prior to signing each participant in. Children with a temperature above 100.4 must return to their parent or guardian’s vehicle.
  - If a participant registers a fever above 100.4, they may not return to Bernheim until being fever free for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducing medication
- Masks must be worn by both participants and their parents/guardians when
  - within 10’ of staff or other participants
  - indoors or using the restroom
  - in the parking lot during pick up and drop off

Camp Bernheim COVID-19 Guidelines

- Campers will be kept in two groups of 14, split by age. There will be no crossover between these groups and will have two separate camp sessions.