

## **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. To offer your family and others a safe experience, we require that all participants adhere to the following guidelines. Failure to do so will result in your child being sent home without refund.

### **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.
- Each morning, Bernheim Educators will greet your child and administer a no-touch 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 participants when
  - Indoors
  - During vehicular transportation
- 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.
- Other precautions as decided by Bernheim personnel based on future CDC recommendations. COVID-19 guidelines are subject to change based on CDC recommendations.

### **COVID-19 Safety Acknowledgment -- Liability Waiver and Release of Claims**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. Because COVID-19 is highly contagious and spread mainly from person-to-person contact, Bernheim Arboretum and Research Forest has taken many steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19 on site. These precautions are laid out in our *Bernheim COVID-19 Precautions and Guidelines* document. However, Bernheim cannot guarantee that visitors to the park and program participants will not become infected with COVID-19. Despite falling under the maximum group size outlined by the most recent state issued Kentucky COVID-19 guidelines, participating in any form of activity with people outside your household increases your potential of contracting the disease.