

## YOUTH CHALLENGE - Safety Protocol

Youth Challenge takes pride in the ability to adapt and will do our best to make things fun while prioritizing your health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic. Youth Challenge plans to follow [CDC](#) and [Ohio Department of Health](#) guidelines as they pertain to YC.

**PLEASE NOTE:** We will do our best to monitor these safety measures. However, working with the population that we do may mean that certain activities and programs may create less than optimal situations to physical distancing, therefore there is a risk to attending programs. Attendance at programs is voluntary and at the discretion of the participant or volunteer and their families. ***Safety protocol is subject to change at any time based on status of pandemic.***

*Please review this important information regarding programs and feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns:*

- Physical distancing will be encouraged, but not guaranteed given the group and nature of YC programming.
- Face masks should be brought to all programs by participants, volunteers, and staff
  - Indoors:* face masks are required by all (including program, van rides, and restrooms)
  - Outdoors:* face masks are optional
- Individuals who are not feeling well are asked to stay home, as is anyone who has been ill or had a fever within the past 48 hours. If someone in your household has had a fever or has been sick, please stay home. We will monitor everyone at each program and if anyone appears to be sick at a program, we will send them home.
- Participants, volunteers, and staff should notify Youth Challenge if they have been diagnosed with COVID-19. They should also notify Youth Challenge if immediate family or a household member has been diagnosed with COVID-19.
- YC will enforce proper sanitation measures.
- Youth Challenge staff, not volunteers, will assist participants with personal care such as feeding, swimming and restrooms, as well as other tasks that involve extended periods of closer contact.
- Individuals who do not follow YC safety guidelines will be removed from the program.
- A waiver must be completed by each participant and volunteer to attend any in-person program.

### **Questions or concerns? Please contact us:**

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