

Preventing the spread of COVID-19 at Engineering For Kids Programs

Introduction

The safety of our campers and staff is utmost important to us. This document is organized as a guideline to prevent and respond to the COVID-19 crisis during Engineering For Kids Summer Camps.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) is an illness caused by a virus that is highly contagious. It is a novel disease with symptoms ranging from mild (or none) to severe illness. Currently there is no vaccine or cure available to treat Coronavirus. Everyone is at risk of getting COVID-19. Population above the age of 60 years and any age with underlying health conditions is at a risk of developing a serious illness.

While children may be at a lower risk of developing a serious illness, they can often be the carrier of the disease and thus spread it to the family members with higher risk.

Oftentimes, people can carry the virus without any symptoms.

This document will be updated based on any changes in the guidelines by state officials.

References

[CDC - COVID-19 General Information](#)

[State Guidance for Children's Day Camps and Youth Sports camps](#)

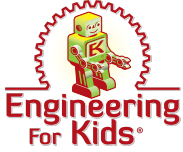
[CDC - Guidance for schools](#)

[CDC - Guidelines for Businesses and Employers](#)

[Colorado State Resources for Schools](#)

[Colorado State Guidance for Businesses and Communities](#)

[COVID-19 Fact Sheet](#)



COVID-19 Symptoms

Covid-19 symptoms may appear after the 2 to 14 days after the exposure of the virus. There are cases where people may have the virus but show no symptoms.

Main symptoms include

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Muscle Pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

Procedures to prevent the spread at the center

These will be followed until the proper Health Agencies deem they are no longer necessary. However, we may continue them for a time afterward should we determine it is the best interests of employees and participants.

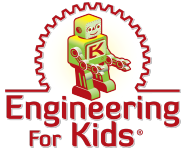
Start of the day procedures

Before entering the building, staff will be required to

- Sanitize the hands
- Take temperature - Temperature should be below 99°F.
- Fill out the employee screening form. If the answer to any question is yes, employees will be required to stay home until symptoms are gone.
- Wear masks. When in close proximity to the children, employees will be asked to wear masks.
- Maintain social distance throughout the day.
- Any new guidelines suggested by CDC and the State.

Parents drop off / pick up procedures

1. Parents / guardians are requested to follow the social distancing and face mask guidelines by the state while they drop off or pick up their children.



2. Parents / guardians will sign in / out outside the door and an instructor will guide students inside the building.
3. Parents / guardians will be asked to sanitize their hands before checking in their students.
4. There will be a shorter window for pickup and drop off to reduce the exposure.

During the camp

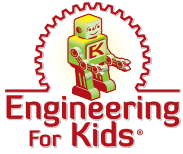
We will follow these guidelines during the camp

- Our staff will go through the safety guidelines with the students including safety for COVID-19 such as
 - All campers will be taught to cough and sneeze in the fold of their arms
 - All campers will be taught the 20 second rule of washing hands.
 - All campers will be asked to wash their hands with soap and water at the start of the day, before and after snack and lunch and after the break.
 - If a camper shows symptoms, such as cough or fever, he/she would be separated in a safe comfortable area away from other campers until the pickup by a parent or guardian.
- The number of students in each group will be smaller to allow social distancing during the camp
 - Example, at Centennial Location, each camp will host a maximum of 6 students.
 - Students will not share their tools and materials with each other
 - Each camper will not share their tables with other campers
 - There will be frequent breaks to take students outside in open air
- Break times will be staggered to prevent mixing of different camp groups.
- All activities will follow social distancing guidelines
- Staff will be required to wash and sanitize their hands frequently.
- A camper will be asked to wash the hands after sneezing or coughing. A child displaying these symptoms may be requested to wear a mask. If this cannot be allowed, a request to send the child home may be made.

If there is COVID-19 exposure during the camp

1. All parents and staff will be notified of the exposure
2. The camp location will be closed for potentially 72 hours or a longer period based on the CDC guidelines.
3. Staff will be requested to quarantine themselves for 14 days before the next session
4. Health officials will be notified of the exposure

Should an employee or participant come in contact with a person with COVID-19 after the start of camp it is imperative that we be notified immediately. Parents/guardians of participants will be notified that we have an individual who has come in contact with an infected party.



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Facility

- Sanitization guidelines at the start of the day
 - Sanitize door knobs, water fountains, desks, frequently touched surfaces, keyboards, computer mice, handrails etc.
- Sanitization guidelines At the end of the day
 - Sanitize and deep clean floors and bathrooms
 - Sanitize door knobs, water fountains, desks, chairs, frequently touched surfaces, keyboards, computer mice and handrails etc.
 - Sanitize the tools/ robots and other equipment touched by children.
- Each location will have a designated sick area to host a child displaying symptoms. A staff caring for the child will wear the mask and sanitize hands before and after.
- CDC Posters related to COVID-19 will be displayed at each physical location.
- Each location will carry enough hand sanitizers, soap and disinfectant wipes/sprays.