

To our Ramah Berkshires community,

We have been carefully monitoring the global spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) over the last few weeks, and now, as our community here in New York begins to feel the effects of the virus, we wanted to let you know what we are doing to prepare for the coming Camp season. As always, your children's safety remains our top priority. We hope to update you on a regular basis as more information becomes available.

Camp Ramah, together with all of our partners in the summer camp industry, is planning to operate fully this summer. We are maintaining ongoing communication with our medical committee, led by Dr. Cliff Nerwen and in consultation with infectious disease specialists. We will follow any protocol that they, the CDC, and our local health department recommend.

Circumstances may require that we take actions such as canceling out-of-camp trips, restricting guests from visiting camp, modifying infirmary operations, intensifying pre-camp health screening protocols, and increasing the frequency of cleaning and sanitizing camp facilities.

We will continue to update you throughout the late winter and spring as the coronavirus further impacts daily life.

We thank you for your trust in us and look forward to another amazing summer of fun and learning, all while keeping our communities safe and healthy.

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