



Mustang Island Episcopal Conference Center Summer 2020 Family Camp Guidelines

The Mustang Island Family Camp staff are looking forward to welcoming our "Island family" back, starting June 11. This year, camp will have a lot of the same, fun, family friendly activities in God's coastal creation, with proper precautions in place.

Enclosed is a look at the procedures being implemented to ensure the safety of you and the MICC Family.

These Guidelines are current as of May 26, 2020. Welcome Letters will be sent the week prior to your Family Session, and will note any changes to these Guidelines in that letter.

If you have any questions, please contact the conference center at 361-749-1800 or email Kevin at kevin.spaeth@dwtx.org.

Thank you for allowing us to serve you and your family this summer! We are looking forward to seeing you at your Island home!



Before you come, please self-evaluate based on the following:

If you are considered to be in the "at risk population" or have traveled internationally, please stay at home. Also, if you or anyone in your household has experienced one or more of the following symptoms, please stay at home: fever of 100.4 degrees or greater, a cough, shortness of breath, diarrhea, fatigue, headache, muscle aches, nausea, loss of taste or smell, sore throat or vomiting. Within the past two weeks, if you, or anyone in your household, has been in close contact with a person diagnosed with, tested for, or quarantined as a result of COVID, please stay at home.

If you choose to remain at home... Contact Lynn in the MICC office to let her know, and she will process your refund, move your registration to a later session, or provide credit for a future program at any Camps and Conferences location.

If you feel ill, while at the conference center: Please let a staff person know, and then please return home, to the comfort of your family space.

Employee procedures: All MICC employees have received training on social distancing, enhanced cleaning procedures, respiratory etiquette, and daily self-evaluation. Employees are instructed to stay home if they feel ill, and employees who become ill at work will be sent home.

Physical distance reminders: Signage will remind everyone to maintain 6 feet between families.

Washing/sanitizing hands: Please wash your hands (or use hand sanitizer) upon entering any buildings and your guest room. Hand sanitizer will be placed in several locations throughout the conference center: elevator room on each floor, Fischer Commons lobby, dining room entry, office, and the beach.

Check-in: As in the past, staff will check you in near the EZ-up as you drive in. The staff will wear masks, and give you your disinfected key and MICC information!

Guest Rooms: Industry-leading cleaning and disinfecting protocols are being used to clean guest rooms. This includes light switches, blind wands, thermostats, door handles and locks, furniture handles, toilets, and lamp switches.

Blankets and sheets remain on the beds, however, the comforters have been removed. Please bring an extra blanket from home, in case you get cold at night.

Pull-out couch linens and extra pillow are located on shelves behind the entry door, in a sealed plastic bag.

All linens and blankets are cleaned between guests.

Coffee pots remain in the room, with extra coffee, sealed cups and condiments. If you need extra coffee and supplies, please let any staff member know. The coffee and drink machines in the beverage room are not available.

Dining: Fischer Commons will be used as the dining room, where tables and chairs are 6 feet apart, helping maintain physical distancing. Weather permitting all doors and windows will be open. Each family will be assigned a table, which will not be shared with another family. This table will be used by the same family for the duration of their stay.

Meal serving windows will include dinner:

Breakfast	8-8:45
Lunch	12-12:45
Dinner	5:30-6:15

The ice cream machine will be available at desert times. An MICC staff member will be at the ice cream machine to dispense for you.

Guests will access the food line, by walking around the outside of Fischer Commons and entering into the dining room. Please sanitize your hands upon entry. Wearing your facemask, you'll enter the food line, where Kathy and her staff will be ready to serve you! After receiving your food, you'll exit through the beverage room – please select one of the pre-poured options. After choosing your beverage, you can have a seat at your table, remove your facemask and enjoy your meal! If you'd like seconds, please put on your facemask, and enter the line from outside the dining room.

When you're finished, please have only one family member (wearing their facemask) bring the dirty dishes and trash to the dish tubs.

Public Spaces: Cleaning and disinfecting frequently contacted areas, have been scheduled to occur multiple times per day. Examples include: elevator rails and buttons, door handles, and public bathrooms.

The Sandbar: New this year! The foundation of the retreat house has been converted to an outdoor gathering area. Physically distanced tables with umbrellas sit along the perimeter of the slab. There's a basketball goal and four square games – just bring your own balls. Sidewalk chalk is provided in your family arts and crafts materials, so as a family you can decorate the concrete. Families will be physically distanced, as we sit or stand for evening worship, teachings, Eucharist celebration, variety show, and outdoor movie.

The Beach: Providing for physical distancing, EZ-ups will be placed 6 feet apart, with two chairs under the canopy. Equipment will be disinfected between uses. Hand sanitizer will be at the beach for your convenience.

Weather and tide permitting, the volleyball net will be up! The volleyball should be sanitized after each use, and sanitize your hands with hand sanitizer.

Arts and Crafts: Disinfected arts and craft supplies will be provided to each family in plastic tubs with lids, and located at each table in Fischer Commons. The supplies are cleaned at the end of each session.

Each family will have the opportunity to sign-up for an arts and crafts time. The MICC arts and crafts staff will meet with the families at this time and guide them through the family arts and craft project.

Worship, teaching, and Eucharist celebration: These services will take place outdoors on "The Sandbar". In the event of inclement weather, Fischer Commons will be used and follow Bishop Reed's "Guidelines for phased reopening of Churches in West Texas". Families will sit at their tables, following physical distancing.

Environmental activities: Engaging hands-on activities are being created with the entire family in mind!

Puzzles, games and books: Make sure to bring any puzzles, musical instruments, games to play, and books to read from home, as we have removed those at the conference center.

Variety show: Will occur on The Sandbar.

Bed time stories: Will occur on The Sandbar.

During these times, **we aren't able to continue** all of the traditional family activities. However, we look forward to a time when we can bring back the dance, youth night, and treasure hunt.

To bring list additions: New items have been added to the "Suggested to Bring List": facemasks, sunscreen, insect repellent, flashlight, blankets, musical instruments, books, games and puzzles.

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