COVID-19 Statement

Over the last year, the importance of in-person programming to the On Belay community has come into clear focus. Seeing each other face-to-face, working together and supporting each other toward a common goal, and having fun through it all, are fundamental to an On Belay experience. There is just no substitute. That is why we are committed to offering safe in-person programs in 2021! Programs will certainly be different in a number of ways, but community building, supporting others, and having fun will remain the same.

COVID-19 continues to be a concern for all of us and On Belay is taking steps to keep everyone - kids, staff, volunteers, and families - as safe and healthy as possible. To that end, listed below are the precautions we’ll be taking at each of our youth programs for as long as necessary. We ask that these precautions be followed at all programs and are required for participation:

- All participants will need to affirm they are free of COVID symptoms and have not been in contact with anyone who has shown symptoms. Any participants with symptoms, or who has been in contact with anyone who has symptoms, should stay home.
- Each participant will have their temperature (via contactless thermometer) taken and recorded before they participate.
- Social distancing (min. 6ft) will be required of participants, adults dropping off/picking-up, and On Belay staff and volunteers when close contact is not needed.
- Face masks or coverings are to be worn by participants, and On Belay staff and volunteers for the duration of the program as well as adults dropping off and/or picking-up. Exceptions include when eating or drinking. In those cases social distancing will be required.
- Participants will bring their own lunch, snacks, and water bottle. On Belay will not provide food at programs.
- A signed COVID waiver, in addition to On Belay health & waiver form, will be required for each participant.
- Additional precautions or requirements as needed.

Our partner sites will also have their own policies and procedures. Any additional requirements will be communicated via the Program Info email for each program. Though we are moving forward with in-person programs, we continue to monitor COVID cases in each of the states our participants are coming from (MA, NH, ME) and will make decisions about programs with the most up-to-date information.

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