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Dear Parents, Guardians and Constituents,

As many of you may have seen, we have opened registration for the summer camps of 2021. With so many unknowns about the summer, we have decided to open registration without payment for the time being. If you would like to register your child, holding a spot in the summer program, it will cost you nothing upfront, and we will contact you later for payment when we can confidently say that the summer will run. This also helps us gauge the possible numbers for summer, allowing to plan accordingly.

We have had some questions regarding the official plan that we have for the summer at Camp Nakamun. How will we safely run camp at the tail end of the pandemic?

We have had countless meetings and conversations as a staff, going through the logistics of the summer program, listing issues and concerns that we have, and determining how to mitigate them. We are balancing the major goals: 1. Providing an amazing week of camp for your child, 2. fulfilling our mission, 3. keeping in line with all health guidelines to make the week of camp safe for your child.

We have also been in conversation, and/or watching details coming from the many camping organizations and Health agencies; Christian Camping International/Canada, The Alberta Camping Association, The Canadian Camping Association, The Christian Camp and Conference Association, The American Camping Association, Alberta Health Services, and our Chief Public Health Officer of Canada; Dr Tam. We have attempted to compile and absorb as much information and knowledge on our current situation and the past year as possible, to make the best plan for the summer.

As of today, these are the points I can share with you as part of our plan. All of these points are based on the most current communications or guidelines:

- All Alberta Health Guidelines that Camp Nakamun falls under will be followed; these include Overnight/Day camp Guidelines, Restaurant Guidelines, Hotel Guidelines, Outdoor/Sports teams Guidelines and the Business/Workplace Guidelines. One challenge with these guidelines is they have changed many times over the last year.
- We are/will follow all cleaning and sanitizing practices as recommended by Alberta Health Services, our health inspector, and our Ecolab representative.



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- The main site camps will operate as 4 small cohort camps. Instead of one large main site it will be 4 mini camps of 50 people, including staff and campers. The other smaller sites will operate as their own cohorts; Paintball, Ranch, Outdoor.
- Cohorts will not have close contact interaction, or have any facilitation of program together; they will in essence be a self-contained camp. They will participate in activities, devotionals, lessons and campfires just with their 50 or less members.
- These cohorts will act as a bubble for the week, enabling them to participate in the majority of program mask free and interact as usual at camp. Although there will be locations or specific activities that may require wearing a mask; examples of this would be, top of zip-line, interacting with the Medic, going through the food line.
- Each of these cohorts will have its own green space designated, campfire location, dining room section, cabin area, and washroom facility
- The staff of the 4 cohorts will remain the same through the summer program
- The registration process will happen outside and will include a pre-screening
- All campers and staff will be screened and monitored for symptoms
- There will be multiple main building motels kept for isolation rooms on stand by

We know this is a lot of information, and maybe didn't answer every question you may have. However, we hope it will put your mind at ease to know that we are planning diligently to make the summer of 2021 safe for all who participate; campers and staff. As the summer gets closer we will release other information briefings. If you have specific questions not covered please feel free to contact us.

We look forward to fulfilling our mission this summer; to Encounter God, Enrich Relationship, and Experience Creation.

Blessings and best regards,

Luke Henkelman
Director of Operations