Camp Moshava COVID-19 Policy

Rationale:

Maintaining the health, safety, and well-being of all the members of the Mosh community is important to us and we will continue to follow best medical and public health practices in order to achieve those goals. The congregate living environment of summer camp, which can significantly increase COVID transmission, presents a unique set of circumstances and risks unlike any other. These circumstances require unique policies that may be different from school or other settings.

Covid Vaccination:

Camp Moshava requires that those who are in residence at camp are vaccinated according to the schedule recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the CDC. This includes vaccinations for COVID. **We strongly recommend** the 2023-2024 COVID-19 booster which protects against newer variants of the virus. Prior boosters and vaccines have waning immunity, so we urge everyone to remain up-to-date in order to protect our community health. All participants must either show proof of vaccination or provide a written explanation for not having the newest booster.

Pre-Arrival:

In order to ensure that campers arrive at Mosh healthy, we strongly urge that campers, staff and their household members minimize exposure in the week prior to camp. This means minimizing indoor, unmasked, group activities. We also urge parents to check their child for any symptoms of illness prior to camp. All campers and staff must arrive at Camp Mosh without obvious infection.

All campers and staff are required to conduct a negative COVID-19 rapid test result before arriving at camp. If the test is positive, DO NOT ARRIVE AT CAMP. Please be in touch with Karin at karin@campmosh.org to receive guidance.

In-Camp Practices:

By entering into the summer with a COVID-vaccinated community, we start from a place of health and well-being, positioning us to move through the summer with lower incidents of COVID and milder illness if it occurs. We will use our established health and wellness procedures for any community member experiencing any illness at camp. We will conduct rapid antigen tests of campers and staff with symptoms consistent with COVID-19.

In the Case of Being COVID Positive:

Any camper or staff member who is positive for COVID-19 must remain in isolation until 24 hours after symptoms have abated. The individual will likely need to go home to isolate, given that our general medical protocols maintain that individuals who are feverish or have stable or worsening symptoms for over 48 hours must return home for the duration of their sickness.

24 hours after the individual's symptoms abate, they may re-enter Camp Mosh life. We will institute a period of 5 days of mitigation measures upon reintegration. This may include sleeping and eating separately and wearing masks. Exact measures will vary on a case-by-case basis.

An individual may end their 5 days of mitigation measures earlier if they test negative for COVID.

Leaving Camp

When campers or staff leave camp, such as for intersession or staff off-time, we ask that they mask in higher-risk spaces to protect the community. High-risk spaces include crowded indoor areas such as public transit, concerts, crowded restaurants, and movie theaters.