



Monday, June 28th, 2021

Hi Everyone,

I have new information regarding summer camp activities that may change your mind about attending, and we want you to have all the information so there are no surprises to you or your kids.

We went forward this year with summer camp registrations based on the information we had at the time and our interpretation of the legislation and guidelines from both the province and the city regarding day camps. While the regulations and guidelines are quite ambiguous in terms of what could actually take place indoors, our interpretation was that the indoor sports(gymnastics) could be done during day camps.

Over the past couple of days, some questions have been raised in terms of whether or not this is indeed the case. Our Board of Directors have asked that we reach out to the proper authorities for clarification. We have done this and have been told the following:

1. Day Camps are allowed starting in Step 1 and can be run out of a recreational facility so long as the day camp regulations are followed.
2. Day Camp activities such as arts and crafts, and games of low organization are allowed (preferably practiced outside).
3. Indoor sports are not allowed, and we asked specifically about gymnastics, and the answer was no as it is an indoor recreational sport.

With this new information, we can appreciate that this will not be the type of camp that you or your kids were expecting. If you want to cancel your registration we do completely understand. You can get a full refund. If you used a credit from the winter session, the credit will be returned to your account and you will get a refund for any amount you paid above the winter credit. Another option is to register for a camp later in the summer when we know indoor gymnastics indoors will be allowed (later in July).

We will still offer a safe and fun camp, but you need to be aware that it will be mostly games, art, some basic gymnastics in the park (no equipment), time in the pool (based on availability).

This adjustment in the camp program will be for Week 1 (July 5th to July 9th), Week 2 (July 12th to 16th), and possibly Week 3 (July 19th to 23rd) . Based on the general guidelines for Step 3, indoor recreational sports and activities are to resume. Step 3 is anticipated to come into effect approx on July 21st. At this point we do not have any details on the type of restrictions there may be.

We know that after all the uncertainties of the past 15 months, you and your kids were anxiously awaiting camps to begin, and to be able to get back to the gym. We are sorry for any inconveniences this may cause, and hope to welcome you back to full programming soon.

Regards,

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Recreational Manager