

# AGAWAM HUNT | 1897

## A Parents Guide to COVID-19 Precautions at Agawam Camps

We look forward to welcoming your camper this summer. With COVID-19, this summer will certainly look different, but we are confident we can deliver a great experience at Camp Agawam, Racquets Academy and our new PGA Golf Development Camp. Our focus on safety looks to all the relevant guidelines and seeks to take advantage of the relative safety provided by being outdoors and in the sunlight. In the event we have to use indoor space (for bathrooms, to take shelter from rain, and to play pickleball or squash), we seek to exercise an abundance of caution through the use of masks and cleaning procedures.

Please review the following FAQs which seek to answer many of your questions and concerns.

- ❖ How often is cleaning performed?
  - The Club has a cleaning staff for daily cleaning. However, high touch areas such as bathrooms and other door handles will be cleaned regularly during the day.
  - Whenever possible campers will use the same equipment the whole week before the equipment is thoroughly cleaned before being reused i.e. borrowed tennis racquets or golf clubs.
  - Shared equipment, such as that used in lawn games or pickleball, will be used by campers in their stable Camp group during a session, and will be cleaned between camper group sessions.
- ❖ How does the bathroom situation work?
  - Bathroom use will be limited to one group at a time. For example, a member with a child, or a single camp group.
  - Doors will be propped open, eliminating door knobs as possible touch points.
  - Showers will not be allowed.
  - Hand sanitizer stations have been installed outside each bathroom.
  - We will regularly attend to frequently touched surfaces in the bathrooms. Windows will also be opened, where possible, in order to encourage air flow.
  - Campers and staff are expected to wear masks when inside bathrooms or any indoor facility except for during active play while inside the very large tennis building or the squash courts.
- ❖ How will drop off work?

- Parents and campers enter the grounds from the Clubhouse parking lot, through the white AH Gate. Upon entering, Parents and Children must wear masks.
  - Parents will be required to stay at least 6 feet away from all other campers, other parents and staff.
  - Parents and campers will proceed from the AH gate towards their individual camp group, with whom they will remain throughout their camp week (Raquets to Racquets, Camp Agawam to Camp Agawam, Golf to Golf). Check in will occur at those points.
  - Upon arrival parents will sign in their child. Sign in has three parts: (1) Health Checklist (2) Lunch Order (3) Pickup Instructions. By signing their child into camp, parents acknowledge that their child answers No to all the questions on the health screening checklist. Parents should have checked their camper's temperature before leaving home. Campers may also have their temperatures checked by Agawam staff upon arrival.
  - Before leaving your camper for the day, please ensure he or she has applied adequate sun-screen and is supplied with (1) a sun screen for reapplication during the day (2) a water bottle (3) a hat (4) their equipment (golf clubs or tennis racquet) and (5) a swim suit and towel (for Camp Agawam or Racquets Academy)
- ❖ How will pick up work?
- Parents enter from the parking lot, through the AH Gate. Upon entering, Parents must wear masks.
  - During pick up parents will be required to stay at least 6 feet away from all other campers, other parents, and staff.
- ❖ What happens if a child is sick?
- If a child is sick they will not be allowed to attend camp. If a child becomes sick while they are at camp they will be isolated from other campers and will need to be picked up.
  - A child who has been sent home from camp sick will not be allowed to return until
    - After being sent home he or she tested negative for COVID-19; OR
    - After being sent home he or she tested positive for COVID-19 but he or she has since met RIDOH guidelines for ending isolation; OR
    - They can provide a doctor's note stating he or she is not contagious.
  - After a camper has been sent home due to illness, all areas that they were in and any things that they may have been in contact with will be thoroughly disinfected.
  - If a camper or staff member is diagnosed with COVID-19 the Rhode Island Department of Health will be notified and they will help to determine the next appropriate steps.
- ❖ Is the pool safe to swim in?
- Both sunlight and chlorine are our friends in terms of minimizing the amount of virus that could be present in and around the pool. Sunlight can kill the virus in as little as 3 minutes, and the virus does not survive in chlorinated water.
  - To accommodate social distancing at the pool, the Club has blocked out "Pool Spots" which are sets of chairs with ample room between each set. Members sign up for pool spots on the Online Member Portal or the App.
  - Pool slots will be reserved, similarly, for Camp groups and, when Camp groups are sufficiently numerous and large, we will close off sections of the pool for the Camp Groups and we may close the pool entirely for Camp only hours.

- Lifeguards will also manage access to the pool area. Counselor and Lifeguards will be responsible to ensure that camper groups and other swimmers maintain their distance from each other while in the pool.
- ❖ How will suncreening occur?
  - Campers should arrive at camp fully sun screened. Camp staff will not apply sunscreen directly to campers skin. Staff will be able to apply spray sunscreen to campers and campers will be regularly encouraged to apply sunscreen themselves. We also recommend campers wear protective clothing such as a hat or a swim shirt. Camp Agawam will not be responsible if campers get sunburned while at camp.
- ❖ What if rain is forecast
  - Agawam reserves the right to cancel single camp days or partial days with one day advance notice if rain forecast will require us to remain inside for most of the day.
- ❖ What happens if the campers need to go inside?
  - In case of rain or extreme heat, there are scenarios in which campers may need to go inside for all or a portion of the day. The indoor tennis facility includes two indoor courts (which can also be configured as 4 pickleball courts), a long upper mezzanine and a ping pong room. We may also use our Squash courts or Clubhouse for shelter. If campers and staff are required to go inside during the day they will be expected to wear masks, unless they are engaged in an active sport. Additionally, while inside, campers will be separated into their camp groups of no more than 15 people (though our target is 6-10 per group), and will be kept apart from any other groups that might also be present.
  - Camp Agawam and Racquets Academy campers may have opportunities during their camp week to go inside the Tennis building to play Pickleball on one of the two indoor courts or the Squash building to use one of the three indoor courts. We also have a ping pong room which might be used by one stable group at a time on hot or rainy days. Masks will be encouraged for entry but not for active play when the kids are adequately separated.
- ❖ How have these COVID-19 guidelines been developed?
  - The COVID-19 guidelines have been developed in accordance with the Rhode Island Department of Health guidelines, CDC guidelines and ACA Guidelines. Based on our partnership with the Lincoln School, we have been careful to review their guidelines as well.
- ❖ How can I reach a Counselor if there's a concern during the day?
  - For Camp Agawam, The head counselor, Belle, will be available by cell phone at 401-261-0064.
  - For Racquets Academy and PGA Golf Development Camps, call the main number at 401-434-0980 and dial 1 or 2 for Golf or Racquets as instructed by the phone system.