



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF PROVIDENCE**

Dear Families,

We are in close contact with the RI Department of Health and plan to stay open until they instruct us to close. Beginning Monday, March 30 we will be putting some extra precautions into place.

At Drop Off:

All children will be met at the entrance door, at our *temporary entry and dismissal point*. A staff member will take their temperature. Children whose temperature is 100.4 or more will not be allowed to enter the program. These entry procedures will take place, including the sign-in and sign-out, outside the building. Adults accompanying children will not be allowed in the building.

We will also be checking temperatures throughout the day and documenting this. Children who have a temperature at 100.4 or more at any time will be moved to a rest mat in the office and the parent will be called.

If a child has a temperature, and is sent home, they will be readmitted only after it has been determined they do not have the COVID-19 virus.

Children will be taken by a counselor to the bathroom to wash their hands before entering the activity areas. The counselors will be the one to apply soap and the child will be given a paper towel, from staff, to dry their hands. These procedures will be followed each time children wash hands.

We have done an extra deep cleaning in the entire center. We have stocked up on our cleaning supplies and in addition to our regular cleaning protocols, we are increasing our efforts to include frequent disinfecting/sanitizing of high traffic areas as well as regularly used surfaces. Additionally, we are washing hands multiple times a day.

At Pick-Up:

A staff member will meet the Parent/Guardian, at the *temporary entry and dismissal point*, and will communicate with the front reception desk to bring your child(ren) to the dismissal point for sign-out.

Lastly and most importantly, we are requiring all families to please keep children home if they are not 100% healthy.

Due to the seriousness of this virus, this not only includes fevers but coughing, sneezing, wheezing, or any other undiagnosed respiratory illness. If your child comes to the Boys & Girls Club even slightly sick, we will send him/her home immediately to prevent the spreading of any and all illnesses. If child shows sign of illness, parent or approved guardian must be available to be picked up within 30 minutes.

Staff will also be closely monitored and will not be allowed to work if they display any above mentioned symptoms.

Please remember to call us or email us daily if you plan to keep your child home. Unless you tell us we are planning for them to be here.

Please note that this is only temporary until we have better control and understanding of the virus; once the state of emergency has been lifted and we are "out of the woods" with this virus, our sick policy will revert back to what is written in the afterschool policies.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

As this is a fluid situation, we will keep you up-to-date with any changes or new information as it becomes available to us.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank You