



Summer 2020 Opening Updates - COVID-19 & Diversity Statement

As childcare facilities across our state are reopening, our team is also preparing to return to our regularly scheduled programming, starting June 29th. Our mission is to provide an educational, encouraging and entertaining summer program, and we are adding a promise that The Philly Pad will be a safe, healthy and inclusive place for your children. We are excited to share the changes and improvements we are making to accomplish this.

Diversity Statement

We stand in solidarity with the fight against systemic racism and the historic oppression of the Black Community. Black Lives Matter. We want to encourage an attitude of inclusion and an appreciation of cultural and racial differences in our children. To do so, we will be featuring diversity in the books we read as a part of our curriculum and the materials and toys available for children to explore during free-play. We are also making scholarships available to make our program accessible to a wider range of families. We are committed to learning and contributing to positive change in our camp, our community and city.

COVID-19 Precautions

Staff & children are required to sign and adhere to a COVID-19 agreement that outlines what to do if someone is showing COVID-19 symptoms, or if anyone in their home is showing signs of COVID-19 symptoms. This agreement can be read in full detail at www.thephillypad.com/COVIDcontract.

Staff members will be wearing face shields and/or face masks when in close contact with children.

Pick-up and drop-off procedures will be modified so that 1 child at a time is entering or exiting the space. Parent/Guardians (Grown-Ups) must remain 6 feet apart from other grown-ups - no grown-ups are permitted into the space (according to the CDC guidelines). Signs and floor markings will be used to facilitate these new pick-up/drop-off procedures.

We have modified our daily schedule so that no more than 10 children will be sharing a space at one time. Each group of 10 students will remain with consistent staff members for the duration of their week at camp and rooms will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized between each groups' use of the space.

We will closely monitor changes to the CDC & The City of Philadelphia's guidelines for childcare. As we learn more, we will update our procedures accordingly. Again, our goal is to provide a place for summer programming that kids love and parent's trust. We hope that you will feel confidence that The Philly Pad is a safe place for your child to learn, play and grow this summer!

