



## Reopening Youth Programs in August

As of mid-June, Texas A&M University is following the guidance set by Chief Compliance Officer, Kevin McGinnis, cancelling face-to-face youth programs through July 31st. Beginning August 1, 2020, in-person youth programs will be allowed to operate with restrictions and protocols in place to help protect the health of all staff and participants. For more information about the strategies and required protocols to be put in place for reopening youth programs, please see [this presentation](#). Attached to this email is an accessible document version of the presentation.

## Pre-Camp Screening Health Form

In order to protect the health of your staff and participants prior to the start of your program, we recommend all individuals self-monitor for 14 days leading up to the program. In order to assist with the pre-screening, University Youth Programs is providing the attached form for programs to collect from staff and participants at the beginning of the program. The form should be sent out prior to the 14 days before the program starts, so staff and participants can thoroughly track their temperature and symptoms leading up to your program. Pre-camp screening is just one tool to aid programs, and programs should conduct an initial health screening at the entrance to the program and continue to screen for symptoms of COVID19 throughout the program. For more information of screening, please visit the [UYP website](#) for resources.

## Virtual Observations

As many of you know, TAMU System Risk Management requires University Youth Programs observe 15% of the campus programs for minors affiliated with Texas A&M University. Many youth programs have taken on the challenge of delivering their programs virtually, due to the restrictions put in place because of COVID19. Although there is less contact virtually, risk management is important in any interaction with youth. Therefore, University Youth Programs will begin conducting virtual observations on programs occurring in June and July. In order to not disrupt the program's activities as much as possible, UYP will send notification to the program sponsor ahead of time, then follow up with a survey to program staff after the observation. To conclude the process, UYP will schedule a zoom meeting with the program sponsors to review the surveys and observation report. We cannot wait to see how Texas A&M youth programs are overcoming these obstacles and creating innovative new ways to work with youth!