

We Wai Kai Youth Group Code of Conduct Policy est. 2019 / ed. 2020

Attention Parent/Guardian:

Please read and sign the following rules for youth group.

The priority in which children enter the youth group or special events / outings are as follows;

1. We Wai Kai status children on reserve.
2. Children living at Cape Mudge or Quinsam full time.
3. We Wai Kai status Band members who live off reserve but may be visiting family on reserve and are being picked up by family on reserve.

**This is subject to change we are adjusting Fall 2020 groups according to COVID-19 safety guidelines.*

Pick-up & Drop Off:

- Arrive on time for pick-up. If running late contact leader ASAP. **Being late will not be acceptable: inexcusable lateness two times or more will result in your child losing his/her enrollment spot.**
- Contact leader ahead of time if someone other than parent/caregiver will be picking up your child.
- If parent / caregiver arrives in an unsafe manner youth worker will be advised to call authorities.
- Youth workers will meet the bus when it arrives after school. It is **NOT** the youth workers responsibility to make sure child gets off bus or comes to group unless you contact the youth worker prior to pick up and verbally ask the youth worker to do so. *Except under Fall 2020 Youth Groups, where your child is pre-registered you do not need to call.*

NEW COVID ARRIVAL - Parents Do Not Enter the building.

- When you arrive if there is another child at the entrance please wait until the child is a safe distance away before your child enters. If you need to speak to the youth worker wait until it is safe to do so outside or call her on the youth phone.
- Sanitizer will be at the entrance for your child to use. *Masks are not mandatory and not recommended for children by WCB or BCCDC at this time.*

NEW COVID PICK-UP - Parents Do Not Enter the building.

- Please do not come in to the building. If you need to pick up your child early please call ahead.
- For contact tracing purposes it is important to inform the youth worker if a new person will be picking up or dropping off your child. Please give their name and phone #.

Illness:

If your child has any of the following symptoms, they are not to attend group;

- **Fever**
- **Chills**
- **Cough / Sore throat**
- **Shortness of Breath or Difficulty breathing**
- **Runny/ Stuffy nose**
- **Loss of sense of smell or taste**
- **Diarrhea**
- **Nausea and vomiting**
- **Unidentified rash**
- **Communicable disease i.e. chicken pox, pink eye, impetigo**

If symptoms are caused by allergies, asthma or other conditions, parents/ guardians must present a dated and signed doctor's note stating that the child is not contagious.

- If the youth worker notices that your child has any of these (*not usual*) symptoms when they arrive to youth group your child will go to the sick room, put a mask on, and you will be contacted to pick up your child.
- If a parent/ caregiver can not be reached then your COVID emergency contact will be called. **Please make sure that your emergency contacts are aware that they could be picking up your child due to illness.** Contacts on your emergency list must also be able to pick up your child in a timely manner.
- A sick child can not return to youth group until the child's health condition is discussed with the youth worker. Depending on the situation he/she *may* not be able to return to group for 10 days, or until they have done a COVID-19 test which comes back negative and all symptoms are gone.
- For mild symptoms (of only one of the key symptoms) without fever, children should stay home and monitor symptoms for 24 hours. If recovered from symptoms and the child feels well enough, they can return to the youth group as long as they no longer have any symptoms and have discussed it with the youth worker.
- If symptoms include fever or difficulty breathing, or if symptoms last for more than 24 hours, or get worse, or have multiple symptoms, seek a health assessment by calling 8-1-1 or a primary care provider. If a COVID-19 test is recommended as a result of the health assessment, follow the direction of public health and inform the youth worker.
- Should a symptomatic child or household member be diagnosed with COVID-19, all household and close contacts will be contacted by public health and required to stay home and self-isolate.
- Communicable diseases and any pre-existing medical conditions need to be discussed with the youth worker and approved by a medical professional who gives the written ok for the child to attend group.
- Head lice. All nits need to be completely gone before returning to youth group. If there are nits seen in the hair the child will need to go home immediately to be treated and can not return until they are lice/nit free.

Parents are required to notify the youth worker if your child has contracted a communicable disease so that other families and the Community Health Dept. can be informed.

No- Shows

If your child is a “no-show” [does not show up for group and parent does not contact youth worker to let her know the reason] two times or more, then he/she will lose his/her spot in that session.

Due to COVID-19 sessions being held in a six- week time frame, this policy applies after being a “no-show” only **one time.*



Youth Group Rules to Read with Your Child

- It is very important for parents to discuss the COVID safety protocols with your child(ren). (i.e. physical distancing, handwashing, etc.).

And even more important to discuss the possibility of him/her having to take a Covid-19 test. [see insert: Island Health Info for Parents: Taking Your Student for a Mouth Rinse & Gargle COVID-19 Test]

- During youth groups No Cell Phones Permitted unless calling a parent for pick up.
- Zero tolerance for fighting or bullying. Youth will be sent home and may require further action depending on the situation.
- Have Fun! The youth group is an afterschool program which is structured but allows kids to have fun, socialize, make new friends, try new things and a safe place where they can just be themselves.

- Please be reminded that the youth program could be closed due to COVID-19 at any time.
- For Snow Days: the youth group will be closed if School District 72 closes for a snow day. The youth worker will not call families on SD72 snow closure days. Please listen to the local radio station as there will be snow closure notifications on the radio station and on their website.
- Closures may also occur for the following reasons;
 - Water Problems
 - Electrical Failure
 - Highly contagious disease

In the event of these closures the youth worker will contact the primary caregiver or emergency contacts.



I, _____

Print First name

Print Last name

Parent/Guardian of _____ Hereby state

Print First name

Print Last name

that I have read and understand all the literature and my obligations to the We Wai Kai Nations Youth Group Program.

Signature of Parent/ Guardian: _____

Date _____

Signature of Youth Worker: _____

Date _____

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