



SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMMING UPDATE

April 22, 2020

To the Families of Kids SmART Summer Camp:

Kids SmART has been working hard on developing new program structure and activities for our summer camp that follow the new guidelines with social distancing and health concerns. Unfortunately, although we feel like the new program components would safely allow at least a portion of our registered children to participate in our camp, both Jefferson County and Denver Public Schools have announced that they will keep all of their buildings closed until at least July 1. Therefore, Kids SmART Summer camp programs, all of which were to be housed within the schools, will not be able to open at the planned June 1 date. We do hope that we will be able to offer our camp from July 6- August 7, but will remain at the mercy of the School Districts with this determination.

Kids SmART continues to brainstorm other options for families in the interim, and will continue to update you with any developments that we have in this regard. We know how heavily families rely on us for care, and know this is just as devastating for you as it is for the Kids SmART team.

While we will continue to look into alternatives, we want to offer a few different options with your registration:

- 1) Stay on the summer camp registration list for the potential July 6 opening, and/or for alternative care options. (DO NOTHING IF THIS IS YOUR OPTION).
- 2) Defer summer camp registration to fall B/A registration. Summer camp registration fee, if paid, will be credited to fall. (EMAIL admin@kids-smart.com with children's names and fall placement info).
- 3) Remove child(ren) from summer camp registration list and receive refund for registration fee, if paid. (EMAIL admin@kids-smart.com with children's names, refund request and address).

As stated in previous correspondence, Kids SmART has partnered with the Colorado Office of Early Childhood and Jefferson County School District to potentially open some of our programs on a reduced basis for families working in essential businesses. As of now, the State has determined that there is not enough need for Kids SmART to open. If you are a parent/guardian in a position that is considered essential and are in need of emergency childcare, I urge you to go on to <https://covidchildcarecolorado.com/parent-survey-home/> and register for emergency childcare. Go to "Signing up to find or provide care". If enough people register in our area, Kids SmART will be approved to open one of our sites to provide care to these families.

We are truly sorry that we are not able to provide for the children and families during this stressful time. We want nothing more than to play games, go swimming, and create wacky crafts with all of your children. Please let your kiddos how much the entire Kids SmART team misses them, and that we all can't wait to get back to making memories with them!

With much regard,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Holck".

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