



June 19, 2020

Dear Kids' Country families,

Yesterday in Governor Gavin Newsom's press briefing, he announced that masks are now required when out in public for everyone ages three and over. It is not recommended that children, who are 2 years old and younger, wear a mask as it may lead to suffocation.

As we learn more about COVID-19, public health officials have issued guidelines that require face coverings to limit the release of infected droplets when talking, coughing, and/or sneezing, as well as reinforce physical distancing. They are finding that people who are infected but are asymptomatic or pre-symptomatic contribute to the community spread of the coronavirus. Attached to this letter is a PDF from Center for Disease Control on face coverings.

In light of this new law, Kids' Country will be requiring all children to wear a breathable mask while indoors. We will make every effort to support and encourage face coverings with your child. They will not be required to wear a mask while playing outside and of course, while eating. As licensed facility under Department of Social Services Community Care Licensing, this new regulation is mandatory.

We thank you for your support and understanding as we implement this new regulation effective Monday, June 22nd. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Site Director or you can email me at atancioco@kidscountry.org.

Stay Healthy,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann Bongcaron Tancioco".

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