

## Town of Manlius Recreation Department

### Learn to Swim 2021 Covid-19 Protocols

**This program will follow recommendations from the CDC, New York State, Onondaga County Health Department, and the American Red Cross for safely offering swim lessons during a pandemic. These protocols are subject to change as CDC, New York State and Onondaga County Health Department Guidelines are updated.**

#### **From 9 AM – 11 AM – Lessons from 9 – 9:45 AM and 10:00 to 10:45 AM**

- All staff, participants and parents will wear masks upon arrival to Green Lakes state park and keep their masks on until they are safely separated into groups and ready to enter the water.
- Parent/guardians will be asked to fill out a Covid-19 screening questionnaire before arrival each day.
- Upon arrival the 4 lifeguards will be standing at 4 designated spots along the edge of the beach to check participants temperatures each morning.
- Areas will be designated on the beach with cones and signage for each level of swim. These areas will be separated by at least 12 feet and each area will be large enough to promote social distancing between participants. The instructors will be standing at their level's area.
- After temperature checks parents will be asked to take their child to the designated spot and check in with the instructor and then leave their child there.
- On the first day parents will stay with their child until the Learn to Swim Director does the welcome speech. (This may change, and each instructor will do their own welcome speech if we find a bull horn does not work) Parents will then be instructed to leave the beach area and asked to keep their masks on and stay appropriately spaced unless with household members.
- Instructors will discuss and designate in advance where their class will be held in the water to be able to keep social distance between the participants and between each class. Registration numbers will be limited to ensure the ability to keep social distance in the water.
- The Learn to Swim Director will keep an eye on social distancing and give direction when needed.
- Each child will have a designated kick board during each lesson time. Instructors will sanitize the kickboards between lessons and then redistribute to the class areas on the beach.
- If children need to use the bathroom or need first aid it will be handled by the Learn to Swim Director or designated lifeguard/beach monitor who will be wearing a mask and gloves during the interaction. Participant will be instructed to put their mask back on when exiting the water. Participants will be asked to bring a zip lock bag to store their masks in on the beach. (We will have extra bags on hand if needed)