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CAMP CABOOSE

Dear Camp Caboose Families,

Thank you for your patience and support as Red Caboose has been navigating the COVID-19 pandemic. We received final word from Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD) and Madison School & Community Recreation (MSCR) that Camp Caboose WILL take place at Lapham Elementary School this summer, with the limitations and safety guidelines outlined below.

- Camp Caboose will take place June 22 through August 14 (per MMSD guidelines).
- The hours for Camp Caboose will be 7:30am to 5:30pm
- Camp Caboose will serve no more than 50 children, with groups of 10 or fewer. Children will follow social distancing guidelines within their groups, within reason. The groups of 10 (or fewer) will not interact or mix with other groups (so no Monday Blast-off or Friday Fiesta, sadly).
- Enhanced health and safety guidelines will be practiced, such as daily health screenings for campers and staff, very strict illness policies, and augmented cleaning and sanitation protocols. Families will be required to sign off on new health and safety policies (much more information forthcoming).
- Drop-off and Pick-up will need to be coordinated and scheduled. More information will be forthcoming.
- Field trips via bus will not take place. Staff are planning as many walking field trips as safely possible.
- Drop-in days of camp will not be permitted. Theme groups are being re-envisioned and choices that were made at enrollment cannot be guaranteed, due to health and safety guidelines.

We feel it is important to make you aware of the risk associated with group care at this time. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) warns that older adults and those who have or have members in their household with compromised immune systems, respiratory problems, hypertension, diabetes, heart problems, chronic kidney disease, or cancer are at greater risk for more serious complications associated with COVID-19. Your family will be asked to indicate that you accept this risk with additional forms for Camp Caboose that are forthcoming.

All Camp Caboose staff have been working throughout the closure of Red Caboose programming, re-envisioning a Camp Caboose experience that keeps kids and families safe, while also nurturing the creative and physical expression for which Camp Caboose has earned

a great reputation. We know that this summer will be a Camp Caboose experience like no other!

At present, Camp Caboose is almost full. We understand that families' situations and decisions may have changed since enrollment. We are asking that families who **no longer wish to attend Camp Caboose** as they initially enrolled contact Savannah, our School Age Enrollment Coordinator (sapenroll@redcaboose daycare.org) by Tuesday May 26, so that we can assess whether or not we can offer spots to our waiting list. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that you wish to keep your child/ren enrolled as we currently have records. For questions about tuition/billing, please contact Kim, our Billing Coordinator (billing@redcaboose daycare.org).

Sincerely,

Aimee Drolet and The Red Caboose Board of Directors