

From the office of the Parks & Recreation Superintendent

Princeton Aquatic Center - (812) 632-8529

COVID-19 Guidelines and Response – May 15, 2020

With summer closing in quickly, the Princeton Aquatic Center plans to open on May 30, 2020. However, new rules and guidelines will be carried out in order to not only protect patrons but also protect the lifeguards and staff. All rules will comply with the Governor's Back on Track Plan and the CDC, as well as any Department of Health guidelines and recommendations. As stated by the CDC, there is no evidence of Covid-19 passing through pool water from one person to another. The disinfectant, Chlorine, kills or renders inactive, the virus that causes Covid-19. However, measures outside the pool and social distancing in the pool will be practiced.

Pool Capacity and Slides

- The pool will open during stage 3 of Governor Holcomb's Back on Track plan
- Princeton Aquatic Center capacity is 500. The Facility will operate at 50% capacity through June 13
- Patrons will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis until capacity has been reached
- The pool will reach 75% capacity on June 14th and 100% capacity on July 4th
- Open flume and closed flume slides will remain closed until Back on Track Stage 5 (July 4th)
- The Splash Park will remain open, with the same rules applied as outlined in this document

Social Distancing and Facial Coverings

- Social Distancing will be enforced at all times
- Families will be asked to stay together as a group
- People must come in together or social distancing must be practiced
- Social Distancing is **NOT** monitored by the lifeguards on duty. They are there for safety and to prevent injuries or drowning. Social Distancing will be watched by the Park Superintendent, Facility Manager, Concession's Manager, and Head Lifeguards who are not currently on lifeguarding duty
- As recommended by the Indiana Department of Health, Facility employees, when near patrons, should wear a mask
- As recommended by the CDC, patrons are encouraged to wear a mask when near others or outside of the water
- When swimming, bathers are required to **NOT** wear a mask due to potential drowning hazard. Lifeguards will not wear a mask for the same reason
- Failure in following Social Distancing will result in the staff asking you to leave



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Front Desk and Concessions

- Plexiglass will be added to the front when taking money
- The person taking money will be wearing a mask and gloves
- The concession stand will follow these same rules
- Fountain drinks will no longer be served. Drinks will come in can or bottle form
- All food will be prepackaged when given to patrons

Pool Parties and Swim Lessons

- Private Pool Parties will still be held from 6:30 to 8:30
- Picnic Parties will not be offered until further noticed
- Swim Lessons will be canceled until Stage 5 of the Back on Track plan. They will begin July 4th

Cleaning, Disinfectant & Water Chemistry

- The pool water will be monitored three times per day by Certified Pool/Spa Operators. The chlorine level will be maintained at a slightly higher level than normal, between 2.0 and 3.0 parts per million (ppm).
 * In a healthy pool, chlorine should stay between 1.0 and 3.0 ppm
- The pool deck, restrooms will be cleaned twice a day with the disinfectant WysiWash
- Each WysiWash jacketed caplet contains a highly compressed calcium hypochlorite solution that is more effective and economical to use than liquid bleach
- The concession stand will be cleaned and sprayed with disinfectant thoroughly throughout the day
- Employees will be required to stop and wash their hands hourly
- Pool chairs will have two designated areas where they will be put away for cleaning once patrons are done with them. One pile will be indicated as "Clean" while another is "Used". Patrons will take a chair from the "Clean" section and when they are done, put them in the "Used" section



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Final Recommendations and Statements:

- DO NOT enter the facility with a fever or other signs of Covid-19
- Maintain six feet away from people you did not arrive with
- Mask are recommended, but do not swim with one
- Understand that the Princeton Aquatic Center is following the recommendations of the state and the CDC. The staff is doing their best job to protect patrons and themselves during this tough time.
 <u>Failure to follow any guidelines and rules could lead to being asked to leave.</u>

The Princeton Aquatic Center is a great place for families to enjoy their free time, and we as a staff will do our best to give everyone that chance. We promise to always remain professional and courteous, but to strictly enforce protocol. In order to have a safe, fun environment, it is up to everyone to follow the rules and guidelines provided. Everyone at the Princeton Aquatic Center is excited and ready to serve our community!

For questions, concerns or comments, please contact:

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For more information, visit these sites:

- www.CDC.gov/coronavirus
- http://inpra.evrconnect.com/resources/covid-19-resources
- www.pools.isdh.in.gov
- <u>www.backontrack.in.gov</u>