



# Blue Lotus Farm & Retreat Center

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## **2022 Blue Lotus Farm & Retreat Center Safety Guidelines for visiting groups and individuals**

Blue Lotus Farm & Retreat Center is here for people to enjoy the outdoors and be inspired. Because everyone's health and safety are our top priority, we are continuing to implement important procedural changes which we would like to review with you. We are following guidelines from CDC and Washington County Health Department so we can do all that we can to stop the spread of COVID-19.

We want all of our guests to be able to relax and have fun during their visit so we are continuing to implement safety guidelines:

### **Group Staff and Attendees should not Visit Blue Lotus if:**

- They are experiencing recognizable symptoms of COVID-19, including a fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing.
- They have been exposed to someone who has had COVID-19 (by testing or medical diagnosis) within the past 14 days.

### **Updated Safety Guidelines:**

- **Pool is Open:** The pool is now available for all individuals that do not have COVID-19 or have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19 within the last two weeks.
- **Number of Visitors in the Pavilion.** We normally can accommodate 50 people inside the pavilion, so we will be limiting the capacity to 35 people inside. Please keep this in mind in case it rains.
- **Bring Enough Staff:** Blue Lotus staff and volunteers will practice social distancing, so you will need to bring enough personnel to directly assist your attendees with all of their needs requiring closer interaction.
- **Masks:** Blue Lotus staff and volunteers have been vaccinated for COVID-19. We will wear masks or comparable face covering outdoors only if we need to be in proximity. We will wear masks indoors and when there is a crowd of individuals. If your attendees interact with Blue Lotus staff or volunteers within a 3 feet distance, we recommend your attendees wear a mask, if possible.
- **Upon Arrival:** We will welcome all guests with a short introduction and reminders of health and safety procedures. This will take place by the pavilion where there are several CDC posters regarding COVID-19 preventive control measures. We encourage everyone to read them.

### **Blue Lotus's Overall Enhanced Protective Cleaning Procedures**

- Blue Lotus is using CDC approved cleaning products. After each group visit, we will thoroughly clean and disinfect all restrooms and high touch surfaces, including all outdoor equipment such as boats, life preserves, oars, fishing rods, plastic/metal picnic tables & chairs, bean bag toss, hammocks, badminton, bicycles, bocce ball, croquet, Frisbees, swings, and hula hoops. You are welcome and encouraged to bring your own disinfecting products to use at Blue Lotus in areas where attendees touched surfaces.

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- We have updated our bathrooms to limit touch surfaces, including installing automatic water faucets, soap dispensers, and towel dispensers for two bathrooms in the pavilion. The other two bathrooms have automatic soap and towel dispensers.

**All Outdoor Activities Available:**

- **Boating, Fishing Area:** Boats, life jackets and fishing rods will be clean and ready to use. We ask that you keep the same life jacket throughout your visit. Once used, life jackets should be put in the “to be clean” area to be cleaned, not passed to anyone else.
- **Other equipment:** All equipment will be clean upon arrival and ready to use including: bean bag toss, hammocks, badminton, bicycles, bocce ball, Frisbees, swings, and hula hoops.
- Hiking trails and the labyrinth are available, too.

**What we ask of Visitors:**

- We recommend that you wear masks if you are indoors with Blue Lotus staff or volunteers or others outside your group. Also, if there is a situation where there is a crowd gathered outside, we recommend wearing a mask.
- We encourage all attendees to wash their hands frequently during their visits, especially before using equipment. There is some hand sanitizer available, but we encourage you to bring your own for your attendees to use frequently. Please also bring your own cleaning wipes to use.
- We recommend keeping a 6 feet distance from others that are not within your group, at all times.

**We look forward to seeing you this year and appreciate your cooperation on our new procedures.**