

CORONAVIRUS UPDATES

Advisement Date
June 17, 2020

Message to our Volunteers

Dear Volunteer,

As we continue to see the number of cases in the state increase, we have also had 6 staff and 6 youth test positive. All youth who have tested positive at Adobe Mountain School were tested proactively. Youth who have tested positive are being housed together separately from other youth. I assure you that all youth at Adobe Mountain School are receiving appropriate medical care including regular symptoms screenings, COVID-19 testing when necessary, and access to medical professionals 24/7.

In order to keep the youth at Adobe Mountain School healthy during this time and mitigate against any further spread of COVID-19, we will continue limiting access to Adobe Mountain School to essential staff only until July 16, 2020. This includes extending the suspension of in-person volunteer services.

We know you are eager to come back to Adobe Mountain School. We value our partnership with you and appreciate your commitment to the youth in our care. We look forward to resuming in-person volunteer services as soon as safely possible. Until then, we have developed a plan to provide virtual services beginning with religious volunteers.

Chaplain Rose Martin or Support Service Chief Administrator Peter Luszcak will begin reaching out to religious volunteers next week to schedule times when you can connect virtually with groups of youth.

We urge you to please continue to practice healthy hygiene habits and prevent the spread of COVID-19 by:

- Washing your hands throughout the day with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Avoiding touching your eyes, mouth, and nose.
- Covering your cough and sneeze with a tissue or with your elbow or shoulder.
- Staying home when you are sick.
- Disinfecting common spaces and surfaces.

Our response to COVID-19 may evolve as we learn more about this disease and its spread. For more information and the latest updates, please visit the Arizona Department of Health and the CDC website.

Sincerely,

Jeff Hood
Director