

CORONAVIRUS UPDATES

Advisement Date
May 14, 2020

COVID-19 Visitation Information for Parents & Guardians

Dear parents and guardians,

In March 2020, Adobe Mountain School made the difficult decision to suspend in-person visitation opportunities between parents / guardians and their child in light of the rapidly escalating COVID-19 situation. The suspension was then extended until May 16, 2020. Based upon the current situation and with the safety of your child as the priority, we are extending the suspension of visitation for one month until June 16, 2020.

We understand this may be disappointing to you, and want to assure you we will resume visitation as soon as it is determined to be safe to do so. We value visitation, and we know youth and families look forward to this time together. We are planning to implement new procedures for visitation such as enhanced sanitation, symptom screening, and social distancing so we can resume visitation in a safe manner as soon as possible.

In the meantime, we will continue to have additional phone calls and urge you to utilize the video visitation available so you can maintain contact with your child. If you are having trouble accessing video visitation or would like to schedule a video visit, please contact your child's case worker and they will assist you.

The Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections is committed to updating our families as new information comes to light regarding COVID-19. Your child's health and safety is our top priority. We have taken many precautionary steps to protect the youth at Adobe Mountain School from coming into contact with this virus.

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.
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth, and nose.
- Cover 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.