



July 9, 2020 Camp Operations Statement

Sad Announcement:

Due to recent COVID-19 developments in Washington, the Governor's Office and State Health Officer have declared that camps in Yakima Co. are not allowed to operate in any capacity.

What this means for Camp Prime Time:

Until local authorities move Yakima Co. past Phase One of Reopening, the camp is basically closed indefinitely. Besides canceling all 2020 camping sessions, people will not be allowed to come up and enjoy camp.

The Camp Manager will continue to monitor and protect camp as well as move several projects forward. If there are areas and projects where help is needed, he will be in contact with people capable of assisting him. If you have services/talents you would like to offer, please contact the camps main office (phone: 509-248-2854 or email: families@campprimetime.org).

Though closed for the season, camp continues to have obligations to meet. Support for Camp Prime Time is still needed during these uncertain times. Your consideration for a financial gift is appreciated.

Stay Connected:

Many camps are going 'virtual'. Finding ways to engage campers and connect them to camp. A few suggestions: coloring contests, family pictures wearing your camp attire, sharing your favorite memory or 'mountain top experience', and/or suggest new songs we can work on (ex. Ghost Chickens in the Sky). Stay tuned!

Virtual Camp Store Open:

Show/wear your camp spirit! View products on Facebook and the website. T-Shirts, Hoodies, Water Bottles, coffee mugs, flashlights, etc. To make a purchase, contact the main office (phone: 509-248-2854 or email: families@campprimetime.org).

Closing Thoughts:

In the short-term, this is painful to announce. In the larger scheme of what COVID-19 is doing to our state, this is appropriate in order to protect our camp friends along with camp itself. In the long-term, we will get through this and be stronger for it.

In my many years of camping, I have both created and experienced the incredible impact of camp on the lives of youth, adults, and families. Those 'mountain top experiences' can be life changing. I hate that I have to wait an entire year before being part of a 'mountain top experience' at Camp Prime Time. I look forward to it.

Stay safe, well, and masked,

Paul Golke, Executive Director - Camp Prime Time