Virtual Camp Fantastic runs Sunday, August 9 – Friday, August 14

Camp Fantastic 2020 has gone virtual! Join the fun to learn, explore, and play from the safety and comfort of your own home (and yards). The week is open to pediatric cancer survivors, ages 7 to 17, who are on treatment or within 3 years of their last cancer treatment.

You’ll receive “Camp in a box” at your house with resources for every activity for the whole week, including:
- Livestream activities: crafts, cooking, scavenger hunts, and more
- Opportunities to interact with other campers and counselors via WebEx “Cabin Chats”
- Special famous guests
- Dance parties
- A virtual talent show
- Nightly live campfires

Don’t miss out. Register today.

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Support
Parents and Caregivers Support Group
Tuesday, August 25, Noon – 1 p.m.

Join other parents and caregivers of children with cancer for support during this challenging time. Our next support group meeting will be held on Zoom at noon on Tuesday, August 25. Please contact Rebecca Ruck at (757) 668-9617 or to Kelly Trejo at (757) 668-7931 with any questions.

Register online for the Tuesday, August 25 meeting by visiting CHKD.org/Cancer. Click on the Oncology Resources tab to register.

Upcoming support group dates:
- September 22
- October 27

All meetings begin at noon and last one hour.

Summer Water Safety

During this hot time of the year, many families head to the beach or spend time in the swimming pool. Wherever kids are swimming, please consider these general water safety guidelines for those who may enter the water:

- Never leave your child unsupervised near or in the water.
- Learn CPR along with infant and child first aid.
- Do not rely on life jackets, water wings, or swimming lessons to protect your child.
- Wear cloth face coverings when not in the pool. This does not apply to children 2 and under or those who cannot remove a cloth face covering on their own.
- Keep six feet away from people you don’t live with at all times, including while swimming.

If your child is on chemotherapy and has an external line (CVL, PICC or mid line), they can still participate in water activities, but they must not submerge their line or dressing. To protect the line, use a product like AquaGuard, or cover the site with cling wrap. These products are only a barrier and will not prevent your child's line or dressing from becoming wet or dirty. If the dressing does get wet, you will need to change it. Protecting your child’s line is critical.

Education Corner

Many families are facing difficult decisions regarding school this fall. If you have any concerns or questions, do not hesitate to contact your medical team.

Whether your child attends school in person or virtually, it can be helpful to speak to their teacher(s) before school begins to review important points about your child’s medical condition. Here are a few additional reminders from Mandy Tribe, CHKD educational consultant:

- If your child has a 504 or IEP, make sure that it is current and that every teacher has a copy.
- Make sure the school has current copies of these forms:
  - Medication administration
  - Educational accommodation
  - Homebound instruction