

Riversong Forest School

Registration Form

Fall 2020

Due to social distancing requirements, spaces are more limited than we would like. Please select your preferred (first choice) group, and if possible indicate a second choice should your preferred group be full.

1st 2nd Location / Day / Time

St-Leonard / Monday / 10-11 am

West Island / Tuesday / 10-11 am

St-Leonard / Wednesday / 10-11 am

West Island / Thursday / 10-11 am

1. Participant information

Given name	Family name
Date of birth	Pronouns
Address	

2. Parent / guardian information

Given name	Family name
Relationship to child	Pronouns
Email address	Telephone
Emergency contact	Telephone

3. Participant health information

3.1 Does the child have any medical conditions that could impact their participation in forest school? Are there any accommodations we could implement to facilitate participation?

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3.2 Does the child have any other medical conditions you would like us to be aware of?

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4. COVID-19 Protocol

Health and safety are of utmost importance to Riversong Forest School. We operate in accordance with Quebec's official directives regarding COVID-19. As the health situation shifts and the directives change to meet it, we will update our protocol and send an email to all parents/guardians to inform you of the change.

The current protocol is as follows:

4.1 Children will not be required to wear masks or keep their distance from each other.

4.2 Adults (including Riversong staff) are required to wear a mask when they are less than 2m from others.

4.3 All participants and parents/guardians are requested not to share food or drink with others, and to save snacking for after the session is over, when possible.

4.4 All participants and parents/guardians are requested to bring their own facial tissue and hand sanitizer, as well as a method for disposing of used tissue (plastic bag etc.)

4.5 In the event that a participant or attending parent/guardian:

- has symptoms of COVID-19, such as: fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, tiredness, sudden loss of sense of smell or taste OR
- lives with a person who has symptoms of COVID-19 or is in isolation because of COVID-19 (confirmed case or contact) OR
- has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days

the participant and parent/guardian must stay home.

5. Media consent

I give my consent for pictures/video to be taken of my child, and shared **without any identifying information such as name or location**, on the Riversong website / facebook page / Instagram account

I give my consent for pictures/video to be taken of my child only if they do not show the child's face and shared **without any identifying information such as name or location**, on the Riversong website / facebook page / Instagram account

I do not give my consent for pictures/video to be taken of my child

The following section is mandatory:

I understand that other parents may have differing views on photographing their children and will ensure that any photos or videos I take of my own child do not include another child without the express permission of the other child's parent/guardian.

6. Assumption of risk / Indemnity agreement / Responsibility waiver

PLEASE READ THIS SECTION CAREFULLY; IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION.

6.1. Being outdoors comes with inherent risks, and attending forest school in a natural environment has additional risks, such as the potential presence of poisonous plants, wild animals, sharp or slippery rocks, etc.

6.2. One of the key components of forest school philosophy is supporting risky play. Forest school practitioners aim to educate children and their parents/guardians about risks and how to assess and manage them during forest school sessions. Avoiding risks entirely does not equip children to deal with them safely when they encounter them later in life. At Riversong Forest School sessions, children are not forbidden from all conceivable risky actions. Rather, there are rules that will be enforced to prevent undue risk, while activities that come with minor risks will be prefaced by discussion, and parents/guardians are invited to decide together with their child what their level of comfort with a given activity is, and whether and how to participate safely.

6.3. While the practitioner leading Riversong Forest School sessions will do a site risk assessment before each session and remove or neutralize dangers (such as disposing of broken glass, or setting the site boundaries to exclude overhanging dead branches etc.), there is still the possibility of injury occurring.

6.4. Parents/guardians assume responsibility for the safety and well-being of their child during forest school sessions.

I have read and understood the above information regarding safety and risk. I agree to assume any risk that is associated with my child's participation in forest school activities, and agree to hold Riversong Forest School harmless against all claims of damage and loss.

Please print name and sign below:

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7. Fees and payment

The fees for the 2020 Fall semester are 192\$. The one-hour sessions run once per week for 16 weeks. Payment can be made by e-transfer to millwardmegan@gmail.com or by cheque made out to Megan Millward. **Do not make a payment until after submitting this form and receiving confirmation of successful registration.**

In case of a second wave of COVID-19 that necessitates the cancellation of outdoor gatherings, the cancelled sessions will be refunded.

8. Cancellation of individual forest school sessions

Riversong sessions take place in sunny, overcast, rainy, and snowy weather. Sessions are only cancelled/rescheduled if the weather forecast indicates dangerous weather, including but not limited to thunderstorms, hail, heat warnings or cold warnings. Whether sessions that cannot take place due to weather issues are cancelled (and refunded) or rescheduled will be decided in consultation with all parents/guardians.

9. Signature

I have read and understood the entirety of this form, and the information I have provided in it is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Name

Date

Signature