

Riversong Forest School

Registration Form

Fall 2022

Location / Day / Time

- Villeray-St-Michel-Parc-Extension / Monday / 10-11:30 am
- West Island / Tuesday / 10-11:30 am

Mondays: Sep 26 – Nov 28 (9 weeks; no class Oct 3)

Tuesdays: Sep 27 – Nov 29 (10 weeks)

1. Participant information

Given name		Date of birth	
Family name		Pronouns	

2. Parent / guardian information

Given name		Relationship to child	
Family name		Pronouns	
Email address		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?

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

4. COVID-19 Protocol

Health and safety are of utmost importance to Riversong Forest School. Currently, there are no restrictions that impact forest school sessions. In the event that the public 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 In the event that a participant or attending parent/guardian has tested positive for COVID-19 and the 5-day isolation period has not yet elapsed, the participant and parent/guardian must stay home. Classes missed due to symptoms or self-isolation can be made up at another time.

4.2 In the event that a participant or attending parent/guardian has symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, unusual tiredness, sudden loss of sense of smell or taste, but has tested negative the day of forest school, they may attend if they feel well enough to participate, but are requested to wear a mask and maintain a safe distance from others.

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 sign below:

7. Fees and payment

The 90-min sessions run once per week for 10 weeks (except Monday which is 9 weeks plus one holiday). The fees for the 2022 fall semester are \$225 for the Monday group and \$250 for Tuesday group. Payment can be made by e-transfer to millwardmegan@gmail.com or by cheque made out to Megan Millward. Please do not send payment until you receive confirmation that there is a spot available for your child/children.

In case of a new wave of COVID-19 that necessitates the cancellation of outdoor gatherings, the cancelled sessions will be refunded or carried forward, according to each participant's wishes.

8. 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.

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