



April 20, 2020

Dear Deans, Campers, Counselors and Friends of Camp Stoney,

As we, the Diocese of the Rio Grande, are responding to the unprecedented public health crisis of COVID-19, we want you to know that the safety and health of our camping community is our top priority. Based on the best information currently available from public health officials, we have decided to cancel the Camp Stoney summer camping season for 2020.

While this news will not come as a surprise to many, this decision was not made lightly by the Camp and Conference Center Board. It is clear that it is our responsibility to not put the camping community at unnecessary risk. In the coming weeks, campers who have already registered for this summer will be contacted directly to discuss registration refunds.

While we will not be meeting physically together, we are committed to keeping our camp community connected over the summer. We will be working with summer camp deans, staff, and volunteers to offer virtual venues for kids to see their friends and share many key camp experiences in a new way. We are still developing these plans, so please stay tuned in for further communication, and if you have any recommendations for digital programming, please do not hesitate to contact us.

In these strange and uncertain times, we know and must remember that God is always with us. You remain in our prayers and on our hearts as we await a time when we can all be together at Bishop's Ridge.

Faithfully,

The Camp and Conference Board  
Diocese of the Rio Grande

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