

ELCCT's Response to the COVID-19 Outbreak (updated 7/20/2020)

The status of the COVID-19 is fluid both nation-wide and here in the state of Connecticut. ELCCT is following, and closely monitoring the recommendations of the CT Department of Health (DPH), Connecticut office of Early Childhood (OES) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Decisions on whether to hold events and other activities are being made regularly.

Specific updates are as follows:

- All public programs except for Summer Camp and Comedy Night have been canceled. Individual facility rentals are being evaluated on a case by case basis.
- Our Comedy Night Fundraiser, originally rescheduled for June 6th has been moved again to October 23rd.
- The Center Building at the Harry C. Barnes Memorial Nature Center is currently closed and will reopen in the fall.
- The trails at the Harry C. Barnes Memorial Nature Center remain open dawn to dusk every day and are free to use. We encourage people to get out and enjoy nature during these trying times. Special signs have been developed to enhance the visitor experience.
- Fall school programs will be held at the discretion of the individual school districts. A letter from ELCCT has been sent to teachers and administrators describing our safety procedures in light of COVID-19. Priority is on out-to-school programs as well as online content.
- Indian Rock Summer Camp is running! Information can be found in the camp section of our website. We are working closely with the Office of Early Childhood (OEC), who licenses CT Summer Camps, to make sure our campers have an awesome and safe summer camp experience.
- Most ELCCT Staff are currently working at Indian Rock Nature Preserve and are reachable by phone and email.

ELCCT staff and volunteers routinely follow and promote good public health practices, as recommended by the CDC, which thwart the spread of all viruses (including the flu).

We will continue to send out periodic updates. For more information about the status of ELCCT, our facilities and programs, call (860) 583-1234, check our Facebook Pages or ELCCT's website, www.elcct.org, or email Executive Director, Scott Heth at sheth@elcct.org.