

June 11, 2020

Dear Autism Resource Centre Families,

After much consideration, we regret to inform you that the **2020 Autism Resource Centre Summer Therapeutic Program has been cancelled.**

This decision was reached following many discussions with our Board of Directors and the Autism Resource Centre team. Our primary consideration was the safety and well-being of our program participants, their families, and the summer program staff. We explored many options and alternate plans for the program amidst the current situation concerning the COVID-19 pandemic and the effect it has had on all activities this year.

There also remains uncertainty around access to, and use of the churches where we host the program as well as the use of city recreational facilities that are such an important part of the day-to-day program activities.

We have been monitoring developments very carefully in the hopes of being able to run the summer program. In the end, with the remaining uncertainty we could not ensure that even given our best efforts and with the proper protocols established, we could minimize the risks enough to go ahead with the program as planned.

We thank you for your understanding and recognize that this is a challenging time for families. We look forward to offering the summer program again next year.

If you have any questions please contact myself at [keely@autismresourcecentre.com](mailto:keely@autismresourcecentre.com) or Brian Lach at [Brian@autismresourcecentre.com](mailto:Brian@autismresourcecentre.com).

Sincerely,



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