

1 PM - Welcome!

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tfL5pOLlc9g>
- Our next camp meeting will be August 20th at 1 - here's the registration link:
[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEucOuvpzlrHNRfnjevTFHji4KkVnZ0dwhn](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join?z=us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEucOuvpzlrHNRfnjevTFHji4KkVnZ0dwhn)
- Thank you Becca, Hallie and Zoe for sharing the Oxbow story!
- If Internet cuts out - Hallie/Becca cohost
- Opener: type in the chat box: What are you most looking forward to harvesting/eating this summer that hasn't come into season yet!
- Agreements: These are ways we can show up and interact that help us be mindful and aim to create a positive space for everyone
 - Keep your camera on when possible, mute when you're not speaking
 - Be open to another perspective
 - What is said here, stays here; what is learned here, leaves here

*These are adapted from [Embracing Equity](#), inspired from resources such as Courageous Conversations and Circle of Trust Touchstones

Oxbow Share Out - Becca Wheaton and Hallie Sykes

We're based in Carnation, WA - Snoqualmie Native American Territory

On 2 acres of Farm field, and another 2 acres of surrounding field. A trail hike, adds in 5-6 acres. We explore a lot of nooks and crannies, but aren't utilizing the whole property

Oxbow has been pivoting to a hybrid camp model as well as two smaller sessions to older campers:

- Dig Deeper sessions, ages 10-14
- All younger campers were cancelled.
- Hybrid model = Oxbow Adventure Package (including the popular Family Farm Adventures! And the Farm Essentials Camp Box - a box that the families take home!)

Oxbow had 150 campers that needed to be cancelled or transferred to "O-Ad". 20+ participants were transferred over. So now we're opening to select audiences - such as our partner schools, and will soon open to general public.

We also have a virtual component: Calendar of events! A midweek check-in with the farmer you came out to Oxbow with, one-on-one.

How To:

- Oxbow sends out a FAQ page that all families receive before coming.

Family Farm adventures have been awesome. An amazing pivot - very different from week long camp groups who come out. Having an intimate group - one camper with a family member, or a whole family. We're able to intimately interact with them and the space at Oxbow in a way we haven't ever been able to do in the past. We've received a lot of positive feedback from parents who have wanted glimpses into what their campers have been up to.

On Farm Adventure: Only one family at a time.

- Pre communication goes out by email
- Videos go out that remind people of how to social distance, wash hands, etc.
- We have a check-in tent with shade, picnic table, sanitizer, clipboard for finding waivers.
- Restroom is nearby, and there is only one public restroom for them to use
- They arrive and we ask our covid questions
- We ask how their summer is going? We make sure they have their masks. If they've come to camp before, we ask them what they're into and we follow their lead.
- Birds, visiting the mud pit, other zones of the Farm.
- We're pre-harvesting veggies. If they want to harvest, they can harvest into their basket, but no eating until they're back in their check-in tent. There's a cooler there and they can eat pre-washed, chopped produce. There we engage in how it tastes, what plant part is it, how do we cook it, etc.

Asking the covid questions onsite gives a visual, voice to voice, face to face answers. Did talk about doing them online but decided this felt like a conversation we should have face to face. Temperature checks aren't part of the Covid questionnaires at this time.

"The Oxbow Adventure Package is available on a sliding scale of \$50-\$250. Oxbow Educators have been planning summer camp for many months and have dramatically shifted programming to provide an impactful and much-needed experience. With that said, we invite you to pay what you can on an open sliding scale, reflecting Oxbow's mission to make programming as accessible as possible for campers near and far. The program is valued at \$250 per camper.*

**No one will be turned away; please reach out to us if program costs pose a barrier."*

Hallie: Education Manager at Oxbow

- We're diving into a small camp - 4 campers next week!
- This camp session is with kids staying together, but in August we will break into smaller cohorts
- We're glad we're not hosting camp for younger groups. Camper ages 11-14 CAN be active social distancing, and activities can take place with distance.
- All activities and games we're doing are going through a decision making tool - can this be done safely during Covid?
- This is so complicated! It's a lot to do this for 4 campers.
- We're taking an abundance of caution.
- Our communications that go out to camper families are very comprehensive.
- We have a response plan onsite for what happens if a camper has covid symptoms.
- There are a lot of resources out there from the CDC, etc.

- We will be tracking close contacts - a person within 6 feet of someone within 15 minutes without a mask.
- If a camper shows symptoms and they've had a close contact, they will both be asked to go home
- Temperature checks will occur at home, or onsite if they didn't take one at home
- If two or more campers (or staff) are showing symptoms, we consider that an outbreak, and we'll shut down.
- <https://www.oxbow.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Oxbow-Summer-Camp-COVID-Policies-2020.pdf>
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- A family response and buy-in document shares our behavioral expectations for what they should do at home:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1GCocfe8l1UTX50r9IER15HJFeZKc_GYF/view
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- CDC, ACA have been helpful to assemble our plan. Washington department of health guidance for summer camp programs:
<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/DOH-OSPI-DYCF-SchoolsChildCareGuidance.pdf>
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- We've checked in with every family about allergies we may be extra aware of if a kid will be sneezing/coughing.
- Another helpful:
<https://www.countyofnapa.org/DocumentCenter/View/18009/Employees-Close-Contact-Tests-Positive-and-No-Ongoing-Exposure>
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- Decision Making Tool: Hallie: decision-making tool for activities:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Au95YwXhhuaG4FpoWkNcirNixSjUmW7z>
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- Joreen Hendry - did a 4-week camp. Also doing a inperson camp with kids - distanced! They sit far apart. Fewer kids. All outdoors, not even in the barn! 8 campers ages 6-11, two counselors and two CITs. We can still be socially distanced in our emergency thunderstorm space. The kids sit on carpet pieces.
- Katie Hacket - on 12 acres. Camps are 3 weeks long, so we have 10 pods of campers and they're with the same campers the whole time. We can have each pod in one area, not interacting at all. This was months of, "are we absolutely crazy?" But once we got into this, we realized that this was totally possible. We can do this safely. Extremely strict safety protocols. There are floaters who move between pods. 12 staff are out in the field. Staff are meeting sometimes spread out. Bought all plastic tables -safer for us to sanitize.

GrowTorah - We're reaching out to see how else we can be a resource, in addition to doing outdoor education in gardens, for teachers. Teachers need simple. We're figuring out how to present our FBEN services / outdoor education work through schools in the most simple, palatable way! GrowTorah and Jewish Farming Network May be doing educational gardening 101 for teachers, virtually

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