

Attn: Ryan Erstad and Kevin Allen Re: Tinker Camp 2020 and One Stone

To whom it may concern:

We would like to thank you so very much for your continued support of One Stone and our summer program of Tinker Camp. This camp helps provide exciting engagement with STEM to increase the longevity of positive STEM mindsets and help reduce "summer slide" while youth are not in schools. During the Covid-19 pandemic, One Stone has continued to follow the guidelines set forth by the CDC, the Idaho Central District Health, and the Governor's office to continue to provide meaningful experiences for youth this summer. We have not stopped our community engagement or programming - we have continued to be responsive to the learning opportunities we can provide while keeping health and safety as the top priority.

For Tinker Camp 2020, we are able to practice socially distanced protocols using increased PPE and increased ratios of guides to participants to keep the ratio of groups as low as possible. In this format, all participants will be continuing to do hands-on experiments and explore STEM alongside high school aged mentors. Participants will be exploring environmental science by building their own terrariums and learning about ecosystems, understanding what a virus is by creating a mock-up of a viral reaction in disposable materials, and deepening their connection between real world passions and the field of STEM.

As always, there will be plenty of fun along the way as guides and participants sing songs, explore the outdoors in our nearby parks, and create new relationships. We are so grateful for the support of Rotary and for the ability to host creative and student-led programming like Tinker for youth in our Treasure Valley. In a time where many opportunities for youth are in limbo, we are continuing to stay as engaged as possible. Thank you for all you do to help make this possible.

Sincerely,

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