

## **MOUNTAIN RECREATION AIR QUALITY POLICY**

Due to the nature of wildfires occurring in and near the District, following air quality guidelines for outdoor programming and facilities have been developed. The district uses [www.purpleair.com](http://www.purpleair.com) to monitor air quality. Activity guidance referenced below from the EAP, CDC and School Flag Program, can be found [HERE](#). Program cancellations will be made based off real time air quality 45 minutes prior to the start of the activity. If facilities close, staff will continue monitoring air quality and reopen if possible.

### **GREEN (AIR QUALITY OF 0-50)**

- All programs are on, and all outdoor facilities remain open.

### **YELLOW (AIR QUALITY OF 50-100)**

- All programs are on, and all outdoor facilities remain open.

### **ORANGE (AIR QUALITY OF 100-150)**

- All programs are on, and all outdoor facilities remain open.
- It is ok to be outside, especially for short time periods or short activities. It is also ok for longer activities such as sports leagues and camps to take place but taking more breaks and reducing the intensity of activities is recommended.
- Staff shall keep a close eye on those who have stated they have asthma or other breathing/medical issues, as they are at a higher risk at this level.
- If staff feel a program needs to be cancelled while the air quality is in this level (around 140-160) because of the unique nature of the activity, staff must consult with their Superintendent. If the Superintendent is not available, consult with the Executive Director.

### **RED (AIR QUALITY OF 150 – 200)**

- All programs more than one hour in length that occur outdoors will be relocated indoors (if space is available) or cancelled and rescheduled (if time/schedule permits) when the air quality reaches **160 or higher** in the town they are taking place.
- Outdoor facilities may remain open until the air quality reaches 200. The decision to close prior to reaching this number may be made due to a combination of factors the supervisor sees as reasonable in that situation. Examples are:
  - Staff are feeling ill (nauseous, trouble breathing, headaches, etc.) while breathing in fire smoke
  - Staff are calling off work due to pre-evacuations or evacuations
  - Staff see ash raining into an outdoor pool
  - Patrons are calling in to see if we are open/programs running because of concern about air quality
  - Patrons are not showing up to programs or outdoor pools due to air quality
  - The facility is downwind of the fire and/or the fire is growing rapidly without containment
  - The fire is newly reported and close to the facility (unknown danger paired with air quality concern)
- All decisions shall be communicated with your Superintendent. If your Superintendent is not available, communicate with the Executive Director.

### **PURPLE (AIR QUALITY OF 200-300)**

- All outdoor activities and facilities will be relocated, cancelled and/or closed.
- Programs can be relocated indoors if space is available or rescheduled if time/schedule permits.
- There will be no activities taking place outside as part of the camp or program day.
- This decision shall be communicated with your Superintendent. If your Superintendent is not available, communicate with the Executive Director.