Enjoy a Fun Family Vacation During the Pandemic

A school break is often a great opportunity to take a family vacation. But this year, things are a bit different, with safety concerns around COVID-19. Although the pandemic remains a threat, you and your family can still take advantage of some socially distanced travel options or even engage in fun activities without leaving home.

Tips for Travel Vacations During COVID-19

<u>Arizona Seventh-Day Adventist Youth</u> shares a few tips on ways to stay safe and still get away for fun and relaxation.

- **Be flexible.** If you decide to travel, you may need to prepare for changes at your desired destination. The hotel's restaurant may not be open, or the hours of operation at your favorite park might be reduced. Look into everything you intend to do at your vacation spot and check whether you need reservations for activities. Be ready to change your itinerary at a moment's notice.
- Check for quarantine restrictions, especially if you're flying. As COVID-19 cases dwindle, spread, or plateau, you need to be aware of the most up-to-date information on any restrictions for the state or country you're heading to. Your family may require proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test. Check the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website and your airline's site.
- Take a road trip instead of flying. But be aware that you still have to check out the latest rules and regulations for your destination, especially if it's out of state. Even some state parks, beaches, or <u>national parks</u> may be severely restricted, so check ahead of time.
- Go camping instead of staying at a hotel. Rent an RV or buy camping equipment and enjoy sleeping under the stars with your family. Try to stay somewhere near a beach, the mountains, or lakes where you can spread out away from other people.

Take a Staycation in Scottsdale

You don't have to leave town or your home to have a fun vacation while the kids are off from school. The family can take part in a bunch of vacation-worthy activities right in Scottsdale, Arizona.

If you choose to stay at home, there are plenty of fun things to do to make the vacation memorable. Have a few themed movie nights, set up tents in the backyard and sleep outdoors, act like a Scottsdale tourist and visit sites in your hometown, and take plenty of photos.

If having a family vacation must include getting away from home, stay at a <u>Scottsdale vacation</u> rental with a full kitchen instead of a hotel. You'll be in a totally different environment without leaving town. Even if some local restaurants aren't open, are understaffed, or don't have the outdoor seating you'd prefer, you can cook healthy meals in the rental home or order take-out and dine comfortably at your home away from home.

Whichever Scottsdale neighborhood <u>you choose</u> for your staycation, whether it's Downtown, Gainey Ranch, or elsewhere, you're sure to find the right vacation rental to keep everyone happy and engaged in activities for a fun time for all.

Stay Safe and Have Fun

School breaks are the perfect time for families to reconnect and enjoy some leisure time together, even during a pandemic. Plan ahead and make the most of your vacation, whether you leave town or stay close to home in Scottsdale.



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