



2021 SUMMER CAMP

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COVID Policy

Your safety and the safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is the top priority. We continue to monitor the information provided by health experts and government agencies to help keep safe those who choose to participate in events.

Our council leadership is coordinating with state and local health departments to ensure we are informed of and comply with their guidance to mitigate the risks of COVID-19 being contracted at events. The following mitigation plan was successfully used to provide a safe summer to campers in 2020.

Our mitigation plan includes:

- Pre-attendance education.
- Health screening conducted by your unit prior to travel, including a temperature check.
- Encouraging extra handwashing.
- Cleaning and disinfecting of high-touch surfaces and shared program equipment.
- Wearing face coverings if maintaining six feet of distance between people is not possible. Face coverings should also be worn in locations outlined by local/state regulations.

These precautions are important, but these efforts cannot eliminate the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while participating in a Scouting activity. Experts have said that people with COVID-19 may show no signs or symptoms of illness, but can still spread the virus, and people may be contagious before their symptoms occur. The fact is that someone with COVID-19 may pass the required health screenings and be allowed to participate.

We also know the very nature of some activities makes social distancing difficult in many situations.

Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. If you are in this group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider prior to participating.

Every staff member, volunteer, and Scouting family has to evaluate their unique circumstances and make an informed decision before attending events. We hope this information will be helpful as you make that choice.

We ask all participants to cooperate with all changes to council facilities. Those individuals who do not follow risk mitigation procedures will be asked to leave. The health and safety of our participants is our top priority.

Youth Protection Policy

The Boy Scouts of America believes that its top priority is to protect the safety of children. The BSA has developed “Barriers to Abuse Within Scouting” that create safer environments for young people involved in Scouting activities. All adults must comply with these policies. Violations of



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these policies put Scouts at risk and will result in disciplinary action, including expulsion from camp and revocation of membership.

Barriers to Abuse Within Scouting

- No one-on-one contact between adults and youth
- Two-Deep Leadership
- Buddy System
- Appropriate Accommodations
- Privacy
- No Secret Organizations

First Aid Staff

At least 50% of our camp staff are certified in first aid and CPR. Additionally, every camp has a dedicated Health Officer who is a certified medical professional that is responsible for the treatment of campers. They are available 24 hours a day, and live on-site.

Arrival/Departure

Prior to camp specific arrival instructions will be sent to you. This will detail the time you should arrive and where you should check in. On your last day of camp, you will be checked out by a member of the staff. If you are not attending camp with your child, you or whom ever will be picking them up must be approved and listed on their medical form. This is the same if your child will be leaving before the end of their camp sessions.