



Troop Covid-19 Activity Guidelines

Before the Activity

- All participants must be healthy and feeling well to participate in an in-person activity; please review the [BSA Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist](#) within 24 hours of an activity.
- If anyone is feeling sick, experiencing Covid-19 symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19 within the last 5 days, they must stay home.
- BSA recommends that anyone in the high-risk category not vaccinated refrain from participating in in-person activities.

During the Activity

- Masks are optional for vaccinated individuals for indoor activities. CDC recommends that unvaccinated individuals continue to wear masks indoors.
- Participants are strongly encouraged to wash their hands vigorously with soap and water and/or use hand sanitizer before and after eating, after using the restroom, or touching their face.
- Hands must be thoroughly cleaned, before, during, and after handling, cooking, and serving food.
- For overnight tenting, no more than two persons per tent regardless of tent size. Tenting with mixed household members may be done if scouts sleep head to toe and tent windows left open, and YPT guidelines are followed.

After the Activity

- All participants need to monitor for any signs of illness and if you should test positive for Covid-19, please contact your Scoutmaster and Committee Chair immediately.

SAFE ≠ Risk-Free

As the response to the pandemic shifts to a state-focused, phased approach, the Boy Scouts of America advises local councils to consult with their local and state health departments, as well as local chartered partners, to implement appropriate protocols to help keep our members, volunteers and employees safe.

Precautions and mitigation strategies are important, but they cannot eliminate the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness when in-person activities resume.

People with COVID-19 may show no signs or symptoms of illness, but they can spread the virus. Some 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 into program activities.

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 resuming in-person Scouting activities.

Every member, volunteer and family must evaluate their unique circumstances and make an informed decision before attending in-person activities.

We hope this information will be helpful as you make that choice.

For updates, please monitor
<https://www.scouting.org/coronavirus>

Covid-19 Carpool Guidelines

Carpooling has returned for Troop Activities and is suggested. Parents have the option of driving their own scout to and from an outing due to Covid-19, however, they must check in with the Troop at the meeting location to depart with the Troop.

Carpooling Drivers may ask passengers to wear a mask based on their preference.