

Scouting-related COVID-19 Information

Many of you have been looking forward to being able to gather together again and enjoy Scouting in the great outdoors; but also want to ensure these activities are conducted as safely as possible. In order to mitigate the health risk of spreading COVID-19 to Scouts, families, and leaders, Mecklenburg County Council is providing the following guidelines. These recommendations are designed to mitigate risk, but all participants must be aware that any group activity puts them at some risk of exposure. A person infected with COVID-19 may be asymptomatic and may spread the virus to other people unknowingly.

- Individuals at higher risk of severe illness (older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions) should consult their physicians prior to participation in any group activities and should consider whether to participate at all.
- All participants should review their current health prior to participating in any activity. Any individuals with a fever or other symptoms of COVID-19 should not participate.
- All individuals who believe they may have been exposed to COVID-19 must quarantine for 14-days prior to participation in any Scouting activity.
- Outdoor meetings are highly encouraged.
- Groups are encouraged to maintain social distancing of six feet or more.
- Group meeting size should be limited to 50 people for outdoor activities. Activities performed in small groups with no mixing of groups are preferred.
- Transportation to and from activities should occur within families. Carpooling should be discouraged.
- Each Scout and each adult must wear a mask covering the nose and mouth when social distancing is not possible.
- Handwashing and sanitation of shared supplies and of surfaces must be done between use.
- Families/siblings do not need to maintain social distancing for transportation, sleeping, or meetings.
- 6 ft. distancing should be maintained during hikes, bike rides, and other follow-the-leader activities and during outdoor activities. People should not sit facing each other, for example, on opposite sides of tables, even outdoors.
- All local, state, and federal safety guidelines should be followed. Please review guidelines for your unit's meeting location and for the location of any camping and activity destination.
<https://files.nc.gov/ncdhhs/documents/files/covid-19/NC-Interim-Guidance-for-Day-Camp-Settings.pdf>
<https://files.nc.gov/covid/documents/guidance/Interim-Guidance-for-Overnight-Camps-PHASE-2.pdf>
<https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/information/individuals-families-communities/community-events>
- Ensure all BSA Youth Protection guidelines are adhered to.
- These guidelines should be shared with each member of your unit and posted during all meetings and activities. Units should obtain written permission from parents stating that they have reviewed these guidelines and consent to having their child participate in Scouting activities. Keep these permissions with unit health forms. [Please see page 3]

Finally, as Scouts, it is important that we demonstrate the principles of the Scout Oath and Law now more than ever before. As regulations begin to loosen, individuals within your Scout unit may have varying levels of comfort or anxiety. It is our responsibility to be kind while being helpful and friendly and to demonstrate empathy and respect to everyone, even if they have beliefs different than ours. As we move forward let's be cheerful and brave while showing reverence to the rules, regulations, and guidance of our State, Counties, Cities, and Chartered Organizations.

Apache Camporee/Webelosree
Camp Health Screening Questions

Yes	No	
		Have you had potential exposure to anyone with COVID-19 through contact with family or friends or through travel or daily activities in the last 14 days?
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		Chills for repeated shaking with chills (shivering, rigors)
		Cough
		Diarrhea
		Fever (100.4 F or greater = 38 C or greater)
		Headache
		Muscle aches
		New loss of taste or smell
		Night sweats
		Open sore
		Rash
		Runny nose
		Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
		Sore throat
		Unexplained extreme fatigue
		Vomiting
		Do you think you have COVID-19 infection today?
		Have you had a positive test for COVID-19?
		Have you had a test for COVID-19 with results not reported yet?
		Do you feel well today?

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Scouting-related COVID-19 Information Page; that I have read it and that I accept the risks of participating in the Webelosree or Camporee.

I will do my best to follow recommendations for safe and healthy practices during all Scout activities to protect myself and others from injuries and from COVID-19 and other illnesses.

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____
(if participant is under 18)

Temperature at time of arrival at camp: _____