



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

LONGHOUSE COUNCIL

The safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is Longhouse Council's top priority. Considering COVID-19, we are taking additional precautions at all our camp programs on top of our well-established health and safety measures.

The Council Staff and our Health Supervisor are coordinating with the New York Department of Health and local Health Departments, to ensure we are aware of and follow their guidance to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 at camp.

Our mitigation plan includes:

- Pre-attendance education.
- Health screening conducted by your unit or family prior to travel to camp, including a temperature check.
- Health screening upon your arrival at camp conducted by our Camp Health Officers, which will also include a temperature check.
 - Should anyone in the arriving vehicle not pass the screening, the entire vehicle will not be allowed to enter camp as advised by the Health Officer.
- Limits on visitors in camp.
 - Public visitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the Camp Director. Vendors will be screened and pre-approved.
- Extra hand washing and sanitizing stations throughout camp.
- Dedicated staff to clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared program equipment.
- An emergency response plan that includes isolation and quarantine protocol should a person at camp develop symptoms of COVID-19 or other communicable disease.
- Follow-ups with each unit or family one week and two weeks after the unit or scout leaves camp to determine if any participants have developed symptoms.
- Concentric circles will be utilized throughout the week.

These precautions are important, but they do not remove the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp. Some people with COVID-19 show no signs or symptoms, but can still spread the virus, and people may be contagious before their symptoms occur. These factors mean that an infected person may pass the required health screenings and be allowed into camp.

We also know the very nature of camp makes social distancing difficult in many situations and impossible in others. Each staff member, volunteer, and Scouting family has a unique set of circumstances to consider when deciding whether to attend camp. We hope this information will be helpful as you make these choices.

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 attending camp.*

Good Scouting, Summer Camp Program Staff, longhouse@scouting.org or 315-463-0201

Participant/Staff Signature

Date: _____

Parent Signature (if under 18 years old)

