

This guidance is intended to be used for volunteers in conjunction with Safety Activity Checkpoints and according to Girl Scouts of Southwest Indiana (GSSI) state and local COVID-19 circumstances which remains fluid. It is important that you continue to monitor local and federal guidelines and the other resources indicated below such as the **Center for Disease Control (CDC)**. GSSI may, but is not obligated to, modify this guidance, from time to time, in its sole discretion. Please use the following expectations to help guide troop activities.

Reminder:

COVID-19 risk is fluid and the guidance provided does not supersede more recent government guidance or restrictions. Since COVID-19 continues to change as infection rates rise and fall in different areas, there may be regional differences or developments that occur after this edition is provided.

In the event an outbreak occurs while camping, council staff will notify families impacted as required by the CDC and Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA).

Prior to Camping

Campers and volunteers **are not permitted** to camp if any of the following are true:

- They or anyone in their household has tested positive for COVID-19 within 10 days of scheduled camp.
- They have had a temperature greater than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit within 10 days of scheduled camp.
- They have shown two or more COVID-19 symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, etc.) within days of scheduled camp.
- They have had known contact with a person who has COVID-19 within 10 days of scheduled camp.

On-going Prevention Procedures:

Mask Wearing

Troops should check the COVID-19 Community Levels of the counties they plan to visit and follow the appropriate recommendations as outlined by the COVID-19 Community Levels.

Cleaning and Sanitizing

- Daily cleaning should take place by volunteers throughout camp with high touch areas and shared bathrooms.
 - This includes latrine sanitization, all hard surfaces, lanterns, sleeping areas and fire circles.
 - Many items in camp are porous and will be required to be cleaned then must FULLY dry before next use.
- Campers should not sleep head-to-head or to move the beds. Tents should be flown if at all possible, to provide more air circulation.
- Wipes, as available, should be used on surfaces. Other methods include use of alcohol-based disinfectant or bleach solution. The solution should be 1 tsp bleach: 5 cups water, or latest instruction provided by the CDC. (Bleach should NEVER be used with other cleaning agents.)
- Gloves provided to all individuals for camper duties and camp cleaning needs.

Quarantine

In the event an individual and group show symptoms of infection, a separation/quarantine procedure should be implemented. Designated health care staff/volunteers should use proper precautions, PPE materials, and limit contact with individual(s) until a parent/guardian arrives for pick up or if necessary, based on symptoms, individual is transported to medical facility.

COVID-19 Incident Response

***Reporting and communicating potential COVID-19 evacuations and/or a positive COVID-19 test result will be managed by a Council staff. Volunteers do not manage COVID-19 communication responsibilities. ***

The Council staff responsible for managing COVID-19 positive tester reports will:

- Record the facts
- Confirm -the positive tester
- Notify the facility or homeowner where a troop has camped.
- Contact the parents of anyone who may have been exposed, or other adult volunteers

If a camper arrives and based on assessment, she displays COVID-19 symptoms:

- Place a mask or face covering over the camper and yourself and isolate the camper away from the group
- Notify the camper's parent/guardian or emergency contact of the situation and make arrangements for pick up
- Isolate the camper's belongings and any items the camper may have touched or come in contact with during the activity
- Clean and disinfect the area, surfaces, and items that stay with the camper
- Have the remaining campers wash their hands and clean areas

The lead volunteer should notify GSSI at support@girlscouts-gssi.org, call (812) 421-4970, or (812) 484-6806 Emergency After Hours Line to discuss next steps. GSSI will notify all attendees' guardians of the activity without divulging the identity of the affected person if a positive case/or potential case concern is identified.

Reminder: Every registered Girl Scout is covered by a basic accident insurance plan. The plan is designed to help supplement medical expenses if an accident occurs during a supervised Girl Scout activity. Girl Scout insurance does not cover healthcare or illness.

Evacuation

In the event multiple individuals show symptoms of infection, campers may be asked to evacuate. This direction will be flowed down by Council staff. Depending on the timing, parents/guardians will be contacted by the designated staff for immediate pick up. If campers need to stay for more than a couple hours, they should be separated more effectively, maintaining ratio but limiting contact (with persons and surfaces).

In the event there is known infection, individuals should follow these guidelines:

- Continue to social distance (6 feet separation), including from family members if at all possible
- Maintain hand washing and sanitizing as often as possible
- Wash all items returning from camp. Hot water and soap will work on most things, providing plenty of time to dry.
- Limit contact with persons outside their household
- Monitor for symptoms daily for 21 days