



Troop 116 COVID Risk Mitigation Agreement and Plan

The following is an agreement between the Leadership of Troop 116, our Scouts, and families to ensure we are all aware of the dangers of COVID-19 and our responsibility to keep everyone safe.

Family & Scouts Agree that:

- We have reviewed the information provided by the CDC at this link:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html>
- We understand the risks of COVID-19
- We understand how it is spread
- We are aware if we are in an at-risk group and have used the information to determine the best ways we may participate in Scouting.
- We understand the symptoms of COVID-19 and will look out for those symptoms in our family before engaging in social activities.
- We will screen our family prior to participation.
- We will make sure we do not participate in any Scouting activities if we feel sick.
- If we have any COVID symptoms we will share that with leadership prior to participating in a Scouting activity.
- We will report any exposure, COVID Infection, or possible infection of our family to unite leadership.
- We will make sure we come prepared with a face covering to all Scouting activities and be prepared to follow all activity guidelines as outlined in this document or as may be communicated during an event.

Unit Leadership Agrees that:

- We will ensure we meet all State, Scouting and Meeting Space Guidelines for every activity.
- We will make sure that our space is sanitized, before and during the activities.
- We will ensure everyone wears a mask and is physically distant throughout all activities.
- We will conduct screenings of each person participating in any Scouting activity.
- We will communicate to our families often of our activities, mitigation requirements, and needs from parents.
- We will endeavor to work within these guidelines to ensure a safe, fun, and impactful Scouting experience.

Parents - Please review this agreement and the following Event Guidelines with your Scouts. Please return a signed copy of this agreement to the Troop Committee Chair before attending any in-person activities with Troop 116.

Scout Name - Signature - Date

Parent Name - Signature - Date

TROOP 116 COVID Risk Mitigation Event Guidelines

The Troop will follow the CPCBSA Guidelines - Please review this page and all relevant links:

<https://cpcbsa.org/council/news/re-opening-unit-activities-while-mitigating-risk/>

- Participants must always maintain physical distancing of six or more feet.
- Events will be limited to cohort groups sized according to OHA county risk level for social gatherings for all Scouting activities (including a minimum of 2 registered adults and 1 of those being the Scoutmaster or an Assistant Scoutmaster (SM/ASM)). Only registered adults may attend per current CPCBSA Guidelines.
- Participants will stay with their cohort throughout the Scouting event. They must stay together during events/activities and not mix with other cohorts. Participants may switch to another cohort after 14 days of no contact with another cohort.

**** Scouts and Adults must not have interacted with other Scouts outside their cohort for 14 days prior to the event ****

- Troop 116 Requirement (more stringent than CPCBSA): Transportation to and from activities must be made within family units. No carpooling allowed. Preferably the same guardian who drops off the Scout also picks up the Scout.
- Participants shall wear face coverings per current OHA Guidelines; link to current guidelines:

<https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/le2288K.pdf>

- Families/siblings of the same household do not need to maintain physical distancing with each other for activities..

Due to heightened conditions we will adhere to the following in addition to the CPCBSA guidelines:

- Each family shall turn in a signed (by both parents and youth) copy of the Troop 116 COVID Risk Mitigation Agreement prior to participating in any in-person events.
- Each Scout needs a signed Permission Slip (emailed to the Activities Chair) for each event.
- Each participant, including adults, will complete a Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist form no sooner than 24 hours before the event. Participants will provide the form to the adult leadership responsible for the event upon arrival at the event. Here's a link to the form:

<https://cpcbsa.org/download/271/re-starting-2020/5182/pre-event-screening-covid-19-bsa-fillable>

- If at any time a participant's health changes within 24-hours of the event per the symptoms described in the Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist, they must contact the event leader and avoid the event.
- Upon arrival at the event, adult leadership responsible for the event will conduct a health screening of every participant by reviewing the Pre-Event Medical Checklist with the participant.
- Youth Protection: Applies at all times, events will have a minimum 2 register Adult Leaders (Always one Program leader and/or Program/Committee Leader)
- Parents/Guardian for the Scouts must be available/on-call to pick up the Scout at any time while the event is in progress.

Sleeping: One person per tent.

Gear: No sharing of personal gear. Troop's items will be sanitized before being passed from one person to another. Scouts shall plan to pack light and other Scouts will not be allowed to help carry gear.

Water: All participants provide their own water/beverages. No sharing of water/beverages, or their containers, at any time. Only the Leaders may give somebody else unopened pre-packaged water/beverages. Each Scout will be responsible for their own water filter when potable water is not available.

Food on Day Outing: All participants bring their own food. No sharing of food at any time. Only the adult leaders may give somebody else unopened pre-packaged food (Cliff Bar, etc).

Food on Campout: All participants provide their own food and the preferred cooking method to be backpack style. No sharing of food at any time. Cooking/eating utensils will not be shared. It is acceptable to share a stove with cleaning in between. Foil dinners (made at home) can be cooked on a single fire. Participants are to bring their own cleaning gear and will clean their own gear. Scouts are recommended to bring disposable plates and utensils.

***** Scouts failing to follow these guidelines will have the Parent/Guardian notified and will be sent home *****

Emergencies on the outing

Refer to disclaimer below, however we will assign a leader with the first aid kit and PPE, which is willing to render care as needed.

Illnesses on the outing: If a Scout shows unexplained COVID-like symptoms per the symptoms described in the Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist, the event will be immediately cancelled, parents will be notified, and Scouts will be sent home. The SM/ASM of the event will contact the Committee Chair upon returning home and complete a BSA Incident Report form. Participants who leave an outing due to illness must provide a medical clearance/doctor's note prior to attending another in-person event. It is considerate for participants who leave an event with an illness to notify the Troop Adult Leadership of any outcome of the illness.

The SM/ASM in charge of the event will be the sole decision maker regarding the safety of all participants of the activity. Every attempt to follow COVID guidelines will be made but the discretion to maintain the group's safety will take precedence. Reminder, it is the duty of all participants of an activity to maintain safety guidelines and identify safety concerns at all times. If a major deviation of the COVID guidelines is required during an activity, it will be reported as a safety miss and an Incident Report will be completed and sent to the Scout Executive.