

BSA COVID-19 Camp-Event “At-Risk” Participant Statement Must Be Signed and Brought to Check-In

Name: _____ Unit Type _____ Unit Number _____

Camping at _____

Your safety and the safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is the Texas Trails Council’s top priority. In light of COVID-19, we are taking additional precautions at camps on top of our long-established health and safety measures for communicable diseases. These precautions are important, but they do not remove the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp or anywhere else.

Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) shows that some people with COVID-19 may show no signs or symptoms of illness but can still spread the virus. Since some people may be contagious before their symptoms occur it is possible that an infected person may pass all the required health screenings and be allowed into a camp. We also know the very nature of camps and activities make social distancing difficult in many situations and impossible in others. We are modifying our programs to make them as safe as possible during the COVID-19 pandemic.

First, our council physician, health and safety personnel, and camp directors are monitoring and coordinating with state and local health departments and the CDC to ensure we are aware of and follow their guidance to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 during camp activities.

Our mitigation plan includes:

- Pre-attendance education,
- Health screening conducted by your unit prior to travel to camp, including a temperature check, to turn in on arrival.
- Health screening upon arrival at camp check-in time conducted by our camp rangers or commissioners which will include a temperature check, hygiene and social distancing reminders, as well as standard screening questions regarding symptoms, travel history, and exposure.
 - o **Note: should anyone in the unit not pass the arrival screening, the entire unit will not be allowed to enter camp.**
- Only people registered via our online registration system will be allowed on camps.
- Hygiene and social distancing reminders throughout the camp experience.
- Requirement for participants & staff to wear masks when near others or inside buildings.
- All visitors will be screened upon arrival before entry to camp.
- Hygiene and social distancing reminders throughout the weekend.
- Extra handwashing /sanitizing stations at activity areas.
- Dedicated staff to clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared program equipment.
- An emergency response plan that includes an isolation, quarantine, and “send home” protocol should a person at a camp develop symptoms of COVID-19 or other communicable disease.
- Check-ins with each unit one week and two weeks after the unit leaves camp to determine if any participants have developed symptoms.

Information from the 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 written approval from your health care provider prior to attending camp.*

We know that each staff member, volunteer, and Scouting family has a unique set of circumstances to consider when deciding whether to attend a camp. We hope this information will be helpful as you make those choices.

Signature

Date

Signature of parent / guardian

Date