



## Pathway to Adventure Council COVID-19 Announcement – 1/3/2022

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to fluctuate rapidly and impact communities all over the world. As always, the health and safety of all our youth, volunteers, and employees remains our priority as we continue to do our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our Council. We continue to follow comprehensive service, safety, and sanitation guidelines.

Effective, Monday, January 3, 2022, we will require all who use any of the properties owned by the Pathway to Adventure Council as well as all official events run by the Council to provide a vaccination card OR a negative COVID-19 test within 24 hours before attending a scheduled event. Masks are required, regardless of vaccination status.

While these requirements apply to Council properties and Council events, please consult local and federal health requirements for all other venues and events.

We want to remind you that if you are not feeling well or have been in direct contact with someone who tested positive, please follow the CDC guidelines available on their site.

Once again, thank you all for your support and patience as we continue to move forward together.

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## Pathway to Adventure Council COVID-19 Mitigation guidelines FAQ

### Why is this being implemented?

The COVID-19 mitigation guidelines are being implemented considering the highly transmissible Omicron variant and in-alignment with Cook County. This will allow for consistent practices across all Pathway to Adventure Council properties and events.

### Where is this being required?

The guidelines are being implemented at Pathway to Adventure Council properties and official events hosted by the Council. It is recommended that all meetings and local Units follow these same guidelines, but may choose to implement different COVID-19 guidelines. If you are utilizing a venue or attending an event that is not owned or sponsored by the Pathway to Adventure Council, please follow all local and federal health requirements.

Here is a sample of events hosted by the Council (this is a non-exhaustive list)

- Council-level trainings such as Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS), OKPIK, NYLT, Wood Badge
- Council-level activities such as Council Camporee, Klondike, District-ran events
- Council-level advancement opportunities such as Merit Badge Academy, University of Scouting
- Council-level recognition events such as the Youth Recognition Dinner, Council Recognition Dinner

### What COVID-19 test can I use to show a negative test?

PCR, Rapid, or at-home tests can be used to show a negative COVID test. A photo or copy of these results must be shown at check-in, but will not be collected. We are counting on “a Scout is Trustworthy.” This is being implemented for your safety and the safety of all those in attendance.

### Will the Council provide COVID-19 tests?

No. There are local and state-ran testing sites that can provide Rapid tests free of charge. Most convenience stores also carry at-home COVID-19 tests.

### Do I have to wear a mask?

- For Indoor Events/Activities, all participants must wear masks regardless of vaccination status.
- For eating indoors, participants must wear masks unless actively eating.
- In the Outdoors, all participants, are strongly recommended to wear masks.
- For outdoor meals, all participants are encouraged to wear masks except while eating.

### What if I do not want to attend an event?

Please contact the event organizer on your options.

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