

COVID-19 Safety Precautions for Girl Scout Gatherings



These safety precautions are based on CDC recommendations and must be adhered to by all participants, at any Girl Scout gathering until further notice. Gatherings are also subject to the rules listed on the [GSSJC website](#), which are updated according to the current status on GSSJC's COVID-19 meter.

As always, volunteer- to-girl ratio must always meet the minimum standard for program level. Girl participants must be currently registered Girl Scout members or in the process of joining Girl Scouts.

GSSJC is incredibly grateful for the support of our volunteers and caregivers. GSSJC encourages individuals who may be considered "high risk" for COVID-19 to carefully consider whether to attend an in-person gathering.

Please keep in mind that no in-person meeting is guaranteed to be safe. There are many opportunities to participate in Girl Scouts virtually if your family is unable or unwilling to follow these precautions.

WEAR A FACE COVERING

All participants are required to wear a cloth face covering or mask at all times. Face coverings/masks must cover nose, mouth, and chin.

WASH HANDS

Everyone is expected to wash hands often with soap and water. If not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

MEET HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Everyone attending a Girl Scout gathering must complete a Girl Scout [COVID-19 Health Screening form](#) the day of the gathering. This verifies the following:

- Participants are symptom free of fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, nausea, diarrhea, and vomiting.
- Participants have not had a fever over 100 degrees within the last 72 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.
- Participants have not tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days.
- Participants have not been exposed to a known case of COVID-19 or been in close contact with anyone that has tested positive within the last 14 days.

PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING

Participants must be divided into activity groups according to the rules on the [GSSJC website](#). During the gathering, participants in each activity group must maintain physical distancing of 6 feet from others. When sitting at tables, participants should try to all face one way and/or only sit on one-side of the table.

CLEAN AND DISINFECT

Surfaces should be sanitized before and after the gathering. If supplies or equipment need to be shared, they must be cleaned by an adult between uses. Meetings should include training of participants on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.

CONTACT TRACING

If a participant tests positive for COVID-19 within 14 days after the meeting, the participant (if adult) or caregiver (if girl) must contact GSSJC's Senior Operations Project Manager, Melissa Hardy (mhardy@sjgs.org) so the council can perform contact tracing steps and appropriate notifications.

One volunteer must be assigned to conduct the Girl Scout [COVID-19 Health Screening](#) and document responses for all girl participants upon arrival. Responses should be documented using this [log](#). This record must be kept confidentially with health forms and permission slips. Adult volunteers must complete [Form F-204A](#).