

TROOP 202 COVID RULES

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| COMPLIANCE | Troop 202 adheres to guidance from local, state, and national government, the Boy Scouts of America and the local council, and the church where we meet. We monitor and consider what the local schools are doing, but our practices may differ since we receive guidance from additional sources and we engage in different activities. |
| SELF-SCREENING | Participants must self-screen for COVID symptoms, including cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, or fever, before attending any troop function. Do not attend if you are ill, or have been exposed to someone who is ill. |
| SOCIAL DISTANCING | A distance of three or more feet should be maintained whenever practical. Facilities at St. Elizabeth Seton church are operating at normal capacity. |
| MASKS | Participants who are not fully vaccinated must wear a mask when indoors or under a roof, and when unable to distance from others while outdoors. Even if vaccinated, any person who has a heightened concern about possible exposure to COVID is encouraged to wear a mask. |
| COMMUNAL COOKING | On troop outings, patrols cook and eat as a group. If parents have a serious concern about their Scout sharing group food preparation and meals, they may opt out by entering Special Considerations when signing him up for an outing, and having him bring his own food. |
| TENT SHARING WITH DISTANCING | Scouts share troop tents on outings. If parents have a serious concern about their son sharing a tent, they may opt out by entering Special Considerations when signing him up for an outing. Youth tent separately from adults – even parents – per BSA youth protection rules. |
| HAND WASHING & SANITIZING | Hand sanitizer is generally available in meeting and event areas. Participants are encouraged to wash hands frequently, and to use hand sanitizer when soap and water are not readily available. |
| TROOP CARPOOLS | As some outings are once again farther away from home, we have returned to using troop carpools. Drivers sign up in Prep-a-Trip to join the carpool, even if they are driving only their own son. Parent who are not attending then place their son in an available seat. |
| VIRTUAL OPTION | Those who are unable to participate in person due to health conditions or exposure concerns should discuss with the Scoutmaster for possible accommodation. |
| PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY | Youth and adults are responsible to know and comply with the troop COVID guidelines at all times. Parents should decide if they or their children will participate after weighing risks. Participants who refuse to follow guidelines during a troop activity will be asked to leave. |