

Corona Virus Update – May 25, 2021

**The following guidance will go into effect on Saturday, May 29th, 2021.**

**For All Narragansett Council Units – Guidelines for Unit Activities:**

- All positive or possible positive cases of Covid-19 must be reported to the Narragansett Council at [NCBSA.org/CovidReport](https://www.ncbsa.org/CovidReport). If you have any questions, please contact [diane.cloutier@scouting.org](mailto:diane.cloutier@scouting.org).
- Units are no longer required to collect and maintain contact tracing information. However, contact tracing remains an important approach to limiting spread of COVID-19 when positive cases arise. It is smart to know who is participating at your events and meetings.
- Meeting outdoors is still preferred.
- Fully vaccinated individuals do not need to wear a mask unless required to do so by the meeting location.
- Non-vaccinated individuals should wear a mask when three feet of social distancing cannot be maintained outdoors and at all times when indoors.
- You are not considered fully vaccinated until two weeks after your final dose.
- In Massachusetts, all youth under 18 do not need to wear a mask outdoors. Unvaccinated children should wear masks indoors. After consultation with the MA COVID Command Center's Medical Advisory Board, Governor Baker announced that given the low rate of outdoor transmission of COVID-19, **youth no longer have to wear masks when outdoors, even if distance cannot be maintained**. This guidance update applies to recess, physical education, youth sports, and outdoor learning environments.
- In Rhode Island, a face covering is not required for individuals who are fully vaccinated, for activities that take place in a pool, for solo or individual activities, for those whose health would be damaged by wearing a face covering, or for those who are developmentally unable to comply. Individuals who are not fully vaccinated and participate in indoor or outdoor activities where three feet of physical distancing cannot easily, continuously, and measurably be maintained, must wear a face covering.
- In alignment with state guidance, the gathering limits for outdoor events will be lifted.
- Businesses and organizations have the authority to establish and implement policies regarding face masks, spacing or other measures that are *more* restrictive than the state rules. Please be respectful and follow their rules.

**Weekend Camping Guidance:**

Camp Norse and Camp Cachalot are licensed youth camps in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and requirements issued by the local Departments of Health must be followed. At this time, the Departments of Health in Kingston (Norse) and Plymouth (Cachalot) have NOT approved overnight camping at these camps. Once we receive the greenlight, we will open our camps accordingly. In addition, we have not received the special use permit that is required for us to operate Camp Sandsland on Block Island—we expect to be able to open Sandsland in July. Please check our reservation system at [NCBSA.org](https://www.ncbsa.org) for availability.

**Summer Camp Guidance:**

Each summer camp will have its own specific guidance that follows all CDC, state, and local regulations. Details will be communicated to those attending before camp and can also be found at [yawgoog.org](https://www.yawgoog.org) for Yawgoog Scout Reservation and at [adventurebasecamp.org](https://www.adventurebasecamp.org) for Camp Champlin/Adventure Base Camp.