

COVID-19 Guidance for Meetings and Activities



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COVID-19 Guidance for Meetings and Activities

We understand that our members are excited to begin their new Girl Scout year but may be apprehensive due to COVID-19. As of June 22, we provided guidelines for our troops to begin participating in meetings and local day trips in a safe manner. We encourage our troops to plan out this upcoming Girl Scout year with virtual options in addition to any in person activities that are considered. At this time, being a Girl Scout is even more important to our girls and adult members lives as this is one activity that cannot be stopped by COVID. Our members are creative, tenacious and always find a way to make things happen. The safety requirements that follow will help guide you in planning a safe program for your troop and activities. So, go forward Girl Scouts and have an amazing year!

GSSNV COVID-19 Safety Requirements

These safety requirements are being provided as of September 1, 2020. Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada (GSSNV) may modify these safety requirements, from time to time as circumstances change. The COVID-19 pandemic continues to change as infection rates rise and fall in different areas. You are responsible for checking the [GSSNV COVID-19 page](#) regularly for updates on the status of our council's phased response. For additional information on the COVID-19 response follow the [resources developed by the CDC](#) or [Nevada Health Response website](#).

Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada Phased Plan

On June 22, GSSNV entered into the first of our four phased COVID-19 plan and allowed troops to begin meeting in-person if they adhered to safety guidelines. We are now entering into phase 2 allowing service unit and troops to expand their meeting capabilities and overnight experiences. Always complete the [Overnight/Travel Activity Form](#) before planning an overnight stay.

GSSNV Phase Two

Starting October 3, 2020, for troop meetings, service unit events, local field trips and overnight trips within council jurisdiction. If capacity restrictions are lower at your chosen meeting site, you must adhere to their policy. Troop leaders/service unit teams must adhere to the following safety requirements.

- Troop meetings are not to exceed 18 people
- Indoor gatherings are not to exceed 25 people
- Outdoor gatherings are not to exceed 50 people
- If dividing girls into smaller groups for an activity, girls should be in groups of two to three girls.
- If attending a large event, girls shall remain in their group for the duration of the event and limit contact with other troops.
- Social distancing is to be maintained throughout the activity

GSSNV Phase Three

Starting November 1, 2020, field trips within the state (approved based on COVID-19 travel status) and overnight camping within the state begins. If capacity restrictions are lower at your chosen meeting site, you must adhere to their policy. Troop leaders/service unit teams must adhere to the following safety requirements

- Indoor gatherings are not to exceed 50 people
- Outdoor gatherings are not to exceed 75 people
- If dividing girls into smaller groups for an activity, girls should be in groups of two to three girls.
- If attending a large event, girls shall remain in their group for the duration of the event and limit contact with other troops.
- Social distancing is to be maintained throughout the activity

GSSNV Phase Four

Starting January 2021, out of the state field trip (including cruises for older girl troops) approval will be based on COVID-19 travel status. Troop leaders/service unit teams must adhere to the following safety requirements

- Social distancing is to be maintained throughout the activity
- Field trips expanded to surrounding states only for Cadettes - Ambassadors

Health and Safety

COVID-19 is an extremely contagious virus that spreads easily through person-to-person contact. As with any social activity, participation in Girl Scouts could present the risk of contracting COVID-19. While Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada takes every safety and preventative precaution, Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada can in no way warrant that COVID-19 infection will not occur through participation in troop or council programs."

Girl Scout Membership – Insurance

The Girl Scout Basic Activity insurance that comes with the Girl Scout membership does not cover illness. This is why it is very important for individuals that have come in contact with a person that has symptoms of an illness or has possible exposure to COVID-19 do not attend meetings or events.

Avoiding Exposure

Follow the [resources developed by the CDC](#) or [Nevada Health Response website](#). Share these with girls, parents/caregivers and volunteers and ensure that they are practiced during meetings and activities. Place signs in the meeting or activity space to remind girls and volunteers to engage in [everyday preventive actions](#) to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Signs should include:

- Stay home if you are sick.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue, throw the tissue in the trash, and wash or sanitize your hands.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth. Wash hands if you do touch.
- Volunteers, girls and parents should be reminded to make sure temperatures are taken prior to group interaction to confirm the individual is not running a fever and temperature is a normal 98.6 degrees. Members with fever or temperature higher than 98.6 should skip the in-person gathering until their temperature is normal.

Personal Contact

Hugs, handshakes, "high-fives," and even activities like the friendship circle or squeeze can transmit COVID-19 from person to person. Refrain from these gestures for the time being. Create a safe way for girls and volunteers to greet and end meetings instead (like tapping elbows).

Singing

If you normally close your meetings with a song, make certain girls and adults are all wearing masks. Singing and shouting both project germs farther than talking, ask your girls to either hum their closing song, or sing quietly, and always, of course, with their masks on.

First Aid Supplies

Troop first aid supplies should include COVID-19 prevention items including hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol), tissues, disposable facemasks, and disinfectants. Trash baskets or bags should be supplied for meeting and activity spaces, if not already available. Make sure that the trash baskets (or bags) are easily accessible for girls. Disposable or no-contact thermometers may be added to supplies if available and not cost-prohibitive, however, parents should be checking temperatures and allowing their girl(s) to join group activities only when temperatures are normal.

First Aid / CPR Training

Keep skills up to date for any emergency. Check [GSSNV Events page](#) for upcoming in person First Aid/CPR courses.

Disinfectants and Disinfecting

[Routinely clean and disinfect surfaces](#) and objects that are frequently touched (i.e., tabletops, markers, scissors, etc.). Use a household cleaner, or see the [EPA's list of effective cleaners](#) approved for use against COVID-19. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products (e.g., concentration, application method and contact time, etc.).

Household bleach is effective against COVID-19. Check that the bleach is not expired and determine if appropriate to use on a given surface. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser. Bleach solution is effective up to 24 hours when properly diluted. To prepare a bleach solution, mix:

- 5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) bleach per gallon of water or
- 4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water

Girl Scout Daisies – Juniors should not mix the above bleach solution. Girls should be supervised at all times when using disinfectant/cleaning solutions. See the [CDC's website](#) for more on cleaning and disinfecting community facilities.

FDA Warning

The FDA advised consumers (6/19/2020) not to use any hand sanitizer manufactured by Eskbiochem SA de CV in Mexico, due to the potential presence of methanol (wood alcohol), a substance that can be toxic when absorbed through the skin or ingested. FDA has identified the following products manufactured by Eskbiochem:

- All-Clean Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-002-01)
- Esk Biochem Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-007-01)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 75% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-008-04)
- Lavar 70 Gel Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-006-01)
- The Good Gel Antibacterial Gel Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-010-10)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 80% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-005-03)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 75% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-009-01)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 80% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-003-01)
- Saniderm Advanced Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-001-01)

Methanol is not an acceptable ingredient for hand sanitizers and should not be used due to its toxic effects. Stay completely away from sanitizers containing methanol.

Consumers who have been exposed to hand sanitizer containing methanol should seek immediate treatment, which is critical for potential reversal of toxic effects of methanol poisoning.

Face Coverings

Face coverings are required, during Girl Scout meetings and activities whether indoors or outside. Volunteers should remind girls that Girl Scouts wear face coverings (masks/shields) not only to protect themselves but to protect others. Face coverings are a civic responsibility and a sign of caring for the community. Girls can bring their own face coverings. Have disposable masks on hand for those who need them. Volunteers can teach girls [how to handle their face coverings](#) so that the coverings are effective.

There may be times when a face mask is not practical, for example when in a swimming pool. Participants may remove their masks while inside a pool and place their mask on again after leaving the pool. Please be sure to check Safety Activity Checkpoints for additional pool rules.

Use of Gloves

To limit the spread of COVID-19 and food borne pathogens members are responsible for providing and wearing gloves. We recommend using latex free gloves to protect those with allergies or washable to protect the environment. Use gloves when:

- Cleaning
- Serving food
- Distributing materials (program supplies, recruitment giveaways, etc.)

For guidelines on handling snacks and meals refer to the “Planning for in-person meeting” section of this document.

COVID-19 Reporting and Return

COVID-19 In-Person Criteria

All participants at in-person Girl Scout gatherings should meet this criteria:

- Have none of the following symptoms of COVID-19: fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, feeling feverish as well as acute gastrointestinal problems, such as nausea, diarrhea, and vomiting.
- Have not had a fever over 100 degrees, without the use of fever reducing medications, within the last 72 hours.
- Have not had a known exposure to COVID-19 or been in close contact with anyone that has tested positive within the last 14 days.
- Have not traveled away from home or outside of Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada council jurisdiction within the last 14 days.
- Have not travelled on a cruise ship within the last 14 days.

Pre-screen and Contact Tracing

A signed [GSSNV COVID-19 Family Agreement](#) form is required for all in-person Girl Scout gatherings to protect attendees at meetings, trainings and girl program activities. The form will be available in electronic fillable format.

- All attendees are required to complete, sign and submit to the troop leader (or organizer of the gathering).
- All attendees must complete pre-screen form no more than 24 hours prior to gathering to participate.
- All troop leaders are required to retain all copies of the pre-screen forms for 90 days after the gathering.

Reporting and communicating a positive COVID 19 test.

In the event of a COVID-19 positive test result, ***do not*** contact the parents or troop members. Promptly contact GSSNV Chief Mission Delivery Officer at 702-385-3677 or customerservice@girlscoutsnv.org in this situation. GSSNV will work in partnership with the Southern Nevada Health District to contact members that have been exposed.

Remember that girl and volunteer health information is private and strictly confidential and should be only shared on a need to know basis with a GSSNV staff member

Return to Girl Scout Programming after COVID-19 Illness or Diagnosis

Members who have had COVID-19 symptoms and/or have tested positive for COVID-19 may resume Girl Scout meetings and activities **after** meeting the requirements below. These guidelines are based on CDC recommendations and many school district guidelines. It has been 14 days or more since:

- The individual first had symptoms;
- The individual had a fever (without medication); and
- Since coughing and shortness of breath have improved.

Virtual Meeting and Activities

Virtual meetings.

Meeting options may need to be flexible based on the fluid nature of COVID-19 risk. It is suggested that even if troops meet in-person they should host virtual meetings/activities to ensure a varied experience for girls and ensure opportunities for girls/adult who are not able to meet in person. Use the [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#) for Virtual Meetings, to guide your meeting plans: [Virtual Troop Meetings](#). To learn more about holding virtual meetings visit our Girl Scout at home page at: [Getting Started with Virtual Troop Meetings](#) or attend a “Leading a Girl Scout Zoom Meeting” training.

To ensure girls have a well-rounded experience plan to have an in-person meet up so girls can have fun together. It is important that we have accurate records for troop meeting locations. If your troop meetings will be mainly virtual or you have changes to your meeting place let us know as soon as possible. Contact us at customerservice@girlscoutsnv.org or use the [GSSNV Troop Information Update](#) form anytime there are changes to your troop.

The Volunteer Toolkit has resources that will help you in plan a fun and interactive virtual meeting. if you want to learn more about hosting a virtual troop meeting register to attend a GSSNV [How to Plan it Out – VTK edition](#) course.

Planning for In-Person Meetings

There are many things to consider as you are planning to meet in person as changes may have occurred since you last met. We encourage troop leaders to hold a virtual meeting with parents/caregivers before your plan your first in-person meeting/activities. Our [COVID-19 First Meeting Plan](#) is a useful guide to help plan your first in-person meeting.

Consider the following:

- Your families are comfortable for their girls to meet in person
- Able to provide a [virtual blended meeting](#) for girls that aren't able to participate in person can join via a meeting platform
- The size of your troop is able to meet at your meeting space and maintain social distancing
- Discuss the GSSNV safety requirements and how parents can help practice with their girls the importance of wearing a mask and maintain social distance during troop meeting/activities.

Consent to Participate

Due to COVID-19 we have added additional forms that must be completed. Before in-person troop meetings take place or continue and upon receiving a copy of guidelines/safety measures from the leader, the caregiver/parent is required to complete and return the [GSSNV COVID-19 Family Agreement](#) prior to a girl's participation for every in-person event, meeting, or activity. Please be sure to review additional details on the required troop cleaning, mask, social distancing, and troop travel protocols outlined in the Troop Activity Information.

We have updated our troop meeting permission form for the 2020-2021 troop year. Have caregivers/parents sign the updated [GSSNV COVID-19 Troop Meeting Permission](#) form prior to their girls joining an in-person activity/meeting.

Taking Attendance

Troops must take attendance at each troop meeting or event in order to insure there can be adequate contact tracing if a participant is later diagnosed with COVID-19. Attendance can be recorded by a troop adult in their person cell phone, on paper and kept in the troop notebook, or recorded in the Volunteer Toolkit. The troop leadership team is responsible for ensuring that this information can be made available if needed.

Troop Meeting Space

Outdoor spaces where social distancing can be maintained are strongly recommended for meetings. Get advance permission from the property owner or the jurisdiction that provides the location.

For meetings held at public facilities, contact the facility ahead of time and ask:

- Is the space cleaned, and touch surfaces (i.e., tabletops, light switches, chairs, etc.) sanitized, at least daily?
- Who else uses the space (how often, what size is the group)? Is the space cleaned between groups?
- What type of faucets / soap dispensers are available in the restroom (sensory or manual)?

Then, consider whether you can supplement any practices that are less ideal. For example, if you will arrive after another user group, plan to bring sanitizing wipes or disinfectant spray to get the space ready for your troop. Another example: if faucets are manual, take some time to show girls how to shut them off with a paper towel. Use paper towels for doorknobs whenever possible.

Meetings may not be held in fitness centers or gyms, where a greater risk for contracting the virus may exist. Schools or churches may not permit outside groups on premises, so always check and confirm ahead of time.

Troop Meetings in the Home

GSUSA and GSSNV strongly suggests no meetings in the home out of concern that there would be greater risk of exposure to other family members. The recommendation is to stay away from in-home meetings for the time being. Suggested meeting sites – in the park, community centers, or reserve a time at the Scout Houses/council office. If you would like to learn other suggestion for meeting sites please contact Membership Support team at customerservice@girlsoutsnv.org.

If a troop has worked with their service unit team and was unable to find a meeting location an in-home meeting may be approved by their GSSNV Membership Support Team member. Leaders must follow the *GSSNV Meeting in Homes Guidelines and Safety Standards* and sign the required paperwork two weeks prior to the first in-person meeting.

Troop Meeting Size

Due to COVID-19 the suggested maximum number of people able to meet may change frequently. Refer to the adult-girl ratio in [GSSNV Volunteer Essentials](#). At a minimum there must be at least two unrelated trained and background checked adults at every meeting. Be sure to adhere to meeting size guidelines according to the GSSNV Phase current phase.

If you have a large troop, stay connected while you wait for a safe time for everyone to gather. Large troops are wonderful, so stay together!

- Host [virtual troop meetings](#) (see below).
- Gather up in smaller groups—such as age-level groups, patrols, or groups of girls with a particular badge they'd like to work on.

Snacks and Meals

For troop meetings, we recommend that no food be served and request attendees to eat before they arrive. If girls need a snack, each girl should bring her own snack and girls may not share food or drinks.

For trips of more than three hours and overnights which require snacks or meals:

- While preparing and serving food, maintain physical distancing, wear a facemask and gloves.
- Prioritize use of “grab-n-go” items that are pre-packaged.
- Encourage girls to bring their own foods to eat (bag lunch or dinner)
- Encourage girls not to share their food after having touched it, such as a bag of chips.
- Individually wrapped items are recommended.
- If providing snacks, especially if unwrapped, have one person, wearing gloves, hand out items to each person, such as with cupcakes or cookies.
- Use a serving spoon or scoop rather than reaching into a bag or bowl of snacks.
- Use a buffet line only if staffed with a safely protected server with mask and gloves.
- Avoid “serve yourself” buffets.
- Public dining only as permitted in your local jurisdiction.
- If serving family style, have one person, wearing clean gloves, serve everyone on clean plates
- Use disposable plates, forks, napkins, etc. when possible.
- Encourage girls to bring foods they can easily cook themselves (a prepacked foil pack) or hotdog for outdoor cooking.
- Ensure everyone handling food, those serving, girls, adults, wash hands (even if they will be wearing gloves) prior to any food prep or meals, following CDC handwashing guidelines.
- If sharing outdoor cooking utensils (roasting forks), they should be washed and sanitized between each use or bring enough utensils so that each person gets their own.
- Indoor dining maintains 6-foot social distancing during mealtimes.
- Prioritize and make available outdoor seating areas ideally with 6 feet of physical distance; aim to decrease the density by as much as half. For example, if a table typically seats six, seat only three girls and adults at that table.

Restrooms

Most public restrooms will regulate the number of people using the restroom at the same time, depending on the size. If there is no regulator or signage, have volunteers ensure girls take appropriate turns to maintain social distancing and that they wear their masks in the restrooms. It is ideal to have automatic flushers and sensory faucets to wash hands. If these are not available, girls and adults should get in the habit of using tissue or paper towels to open doors

and latches, touching as little as possible. If the restroom is large, have girls use every other stall and avoid using stalls with a person in the stall next to them at the same time. Restrooms and toilets are fraught with germs normally, and more so now considering the contagion of coronavirus.

Transportation

Individual parents should drop off and pick up their own girls from meetings. Carpooling and public transportation should be avoided, where possible, to maintain social distancing.

Carpooling may occur based on the comfort level of the troop/group. If carpooling:

- Two unrelated adults and two passengers (4 people) to a vehicle
- Disinfect vehicle's high touch areas before and after each trip
- Girls and adults wear masks for the entire trip
- Keep car window opened, at least slightly, to circulate fresh air.
- Troop leader retains list of each vehicle's occupants for 90 days

Remember, sustained contact within less than six (6) feet for longer than ten (10) minutes within an enclosed area creates high risk for virus transmission, so be very careful with carpool decisions.

CDC guidance for ride shares and drivers for hire may be helpful as an additional reference when evaluating motor vehicle transportation or car-pooling: [Ride Shares and Drivers for Hire](#)

Service Unit Meeting/Events

As much as possible, please hold your meetings virtually. If a Service Unit is planning an in-person event, verify the council COVID-19 participant capacity phase supports your event occupancy and contact your Membership Support Specialist for approval. Due to the uncertainty of COVID-19 we recommend that you plan a virtual option for your in-person event.

Service Units should:

- Events should follow the COVID-19 safety requirements listed in this document, [GSSNV Volunteer Essentials](#) and [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#)
- Parents/caregivers are to sign the [GSSNV COVID-19 Family Agreement](#) form
- The Service Unit is to keep a roster of all attendees attending the event
- Participants are to maintain 6-foot social distancing

Trip and Travel Guidelines

Day Trips and Activities

In conjunction with [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#), follow the same guidance in the Troop Meetings and Avoiding Exposure sections in this document. Call ahead to the facility or vendor to confirm that they are following CDC and state health department guidelines. If activity or sporting equipment is being provided, ask the provider if they wipe down equipment in between uses, similar to equipment at the gym. Make whatever appropriate accommodations that are needed and if necessary, cancel the event/activity. Always bring your First Aid kit with the supplies listed in the First Aid section of this document

Travel and Overnight Stays

Local overnight trips within the council jurisdiction is allowed during Phase 2 and expanded to include within our state during Phase 3. This includes reserving an overnight space at our council properties – Council Headquarters, Boulder City Scout House and tent camping at Frias Frontier. The Henderson Scout House is not available for overnight reservation due to inability for proper social distancing. Always complete the [Overnight/Travel Activity](#) form before planning an overnight stay and follow the safety guidelines included in this document. To reserve a space at our [council properties](#) follow the reservation procedures listed on the GSSNV website.

Contact the GSSNV Membership Support Team at customerservice@girlscoutsnv.org to determine what COVID-19 phase status the council is currently in prior to planning any overnight stays.

Extended Travel

Travel beyond our state may be allowed in January 2021 (pending the COVID-19 status and travel restrictions). We will provide updates on travel guidelines via council e-publications, website and our social media channels.

Camping

Troop Camping

As we spend more time inside and sitting in front of computer screen exploring the outdoors has become paramount for our health. We all need to get outside and disconnect from technology and enjoy the outdoors. Follow the GSSNV COVID-19 Safety requirements listed throughout this document and get outside and have fun! **GSSNV Outdoor Basics training is required before planning any camping or outdoor adventure activities.**

Tent Camping

Pitching a Tent - If your group decides to pitch a tent each member is to have their own tent (exception for family members). This is to maintain proper social distancing and to limit exposure to breathing the enclosed air.

Platform Tents

If you are using a site that uses the large canvas tent structures no more than 4 individuals should be in each tent (based on tent that normally sleeps 6). Tents are not social spaces. Campers are only to enter their assigned tent. Follow the sleeping position listed below.

Cabins

No more than four individuals should be in each cabin (based on cabin that normally sleeps 6). Sleeping structures are not social spaces. Campers are only to enter their assigned cabin. Follow the sleeping position listed below.

Additional Camping/Overnight Steps to follow:

Sleeping Position

In structure, position campers head-to-toe or toe-to-toe to maximize distance between heads and faces. For bunk beds, position the head of the camper in one bed opposite the position of the camper in the adjacent bunk. If possible, create four to six feet of space between beds.

Camp Bedding

Unless you've confirmed the site provides bedding campers are to bring their own bedding (e.g. sheets, pillows, blankets, sleeping bags). Keep each camper's bedding separate during transport to and from camp. Follow site mattress disinfecting procedures before and after use.

Personal Belongings

Campers should keep their personal belongings organized and separate from other campers. Campers should not share their personal belongings including bedding with other campers.

Cooking Out

It is important that girls remain responsible for the planning and preparation of meals. In advance of the troop camping weekend, review all safety procedures with campers and discuss how to prepare for safe meal service. When using a kaper chart, recommend the number of campers/volunteers per kaper is no more than four people. (3 girls/1 adult)

Food Safety

When preparing and serving food, girls and volunteers:

- Must wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before and after food preparation and serving; after using the bathroom, blowing nose, coughing, sneezing, or touching frequently touched surfaces.
- If soap and water are not available to wash hands, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Must wear gloves and face masks/cloth face coverings while preparing meals.
- Maintain a physical distance and increased spacing from other food preparation campers whenever possible.

Safe Surfaces

- For a clean food contact surface, recommend covering picnic tables with a tablecloth able to disinfect between uses.
- For non-food contact surfaces, clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces (e.g. picnic tables, benches) before every meal or at least three times a day.
- If hard non-porous surfaces are visibly dirty, clean them with detergent or soap and water before disinfecting.
- Girls should remove and dispose of gloves immediately after cleaning and disinfecting or when visibly soiled and immediately wash hands.

Safe Seating

Prioritize and make available outdoor seating areas ideally with 6 feet of physical distance. For example, if a table typically seats six, seat only three campers at that table.

Safe Meal Preparation and Service

- Prioritize use of “grab-n-go” items that are pre-packaged.
- Limit contact during the preparation and serving process. For instance, assign a designated person wearing gloves to fill individual’s personal water bottles or serving food. Avoid buffet style, salad bars, self-service, table, counter food service, and other configurations that require diners to use shared utensils.
- If each camper is preparing her own meal (foil dinners, pizza bagels etc.), recommend the individual eating the meal prepares the using Safe Cook guidelines above.
- If cooking s’mores or other items that require each girl to be in the fire circle and share cooking utensils, sticks etc., it is important that girls maintain social distancing and disinfect cooking utensil between each individual use.

Safe Dishwashing

The three steps in dishwashing method is covered in Outdoor Basics training and very important. It is important that you complete the final sanitization step using bleach or sanitizing tablets.

Volunteer Training

In an effort to minimize contact and risk to our volunteers, we have modified volunteer training requirements for the coming year. We have expanded our virtual and on-demand course catalog this year and have included new courses focused on hosting a virtual troop meeting/event. We understand that virtual classes do not meet everyone’s learning style so we will continue to offer in-person courses throughout the year. A list of our training courses is available on our council website under the [GSSNV Event calendar](#).

Classes That Require In-person Training:

There are courses that require in-person attendance to ensure that the participants are able to perform the necessary skills to pass the class. Volunteers with health concerns should refrain from volunteering for roles that require in-person training until the spring 2021. Courses that require in-person training:

- Outdoor Basics (also includes an online pre-requisite)
- First Aid (also includes an online pre-requisite)