



# COVID-19 RESPONSE GUIDELINE UPDATES

## 5.7.2021

*The below information was updated in the GSEM COVID-19 Response Guidelines dated 5.7.2021. The information below and the guidelines dated 5.7.2021 supersede all previous editions of the GSEM COVID-19 Response Guidelines.*

**Page 5, Protocol Checklist and Screening Tool – Participation parameters updated to add and remove the information indicated below.**

No participant, whether child or adult, should be permitted to attend any Girl Scout meeting or activity if any of the following are true:

- During the past 10 days, the participant has been in contact with a person who has exhibited any symptoms of COVID-19, as detailed above
- During the past 10 days, the participant has been in contact with a person who has tested positive for **or is suspected to have had** COVID-19 in the previous 10 days

**If you are fully vaccinated (meaning you are two weeks past your second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine or two weeks past your single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine), you may also use the CDC's guidance for [When You've Been Fully Vaccinated](#) to determine if and how there are additional avenues for you to participate in Girl Scout activities.**

**Page 5 and throughout the document – Mask guidelines updated.**

Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri is a mask-wearing organization and requires that masks be worn at all Girl Scouts properties, including camps and our service center, when indoors, and when outdoors when social distancing cannot be maintained, for any participant age 2 and older.

However, recognizing that our geographic area includes 28 counties, guidance on mask-wearing when not at Girl Scout properties must follow the strictest of: the facility where the event is being held, the local school district protocol or the local county guidance.

Cloth face coverings should NOT be worn by children under the age of 2 or anyone who has trouble breathing, is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance. Participants should not wear masks, but should continue to practice social distancing, when sleeping, or when engaging in activities like swimming that may cause a mask to become wet. Some girls or volunteers may not be able to wear masks due to medical conditions such as asthma. Contact Council for guidance on how best to handle these circumstances as they arise.

Pages 10-12 – Food, Dining and Snacks; Transportation; and Overnights and Travel sections updated. Please review these sections if applicable to your Girl Scout activity.

Page 14 – Clarification added regarding tent units being considered outdoor spaces with a 30-person capacity.

Page 16 – Additional information added about Resident Camp and Day Camp screening and check-in.

Page 19 – Information added about using dishwashers and non-disposable dishes at camp.

Page 20 – Information added about using camp swimming pools.

Page 35 – The Emerson Resource Center has resumed normal operating protocols for in-person check-outs and returns, but contactless pick-up/drop-off service will continue to be offered.

Page 38 – For Day Camp and Resident Camp refund requests, please refer to the 2021 *Camp Adventure Guide*.