

Camp Raven Knob NYLT - Old Hickory Council
COVID-19 “At-Risk” Resident Camp Participant Statement and Acknowledgement

Your safety and the safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is the Old Hickory Council’s top priority. In light of COVID-19, we are taking additional precautions at camp on top of our long-established health and safety measures.

Our council health supervisor, Dr. Challie Minton, is coordinating with state and local health departments to ensure we are aware of and follow their guidance to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 at camp.

Our Resident Camp mitigation plan includes:

- Pre-attendance education and communication with parents of participants via the camp website.
- Camp Raven Knob is communicating with the local health department to follow their guidelines.
- **High-risk** individuals (as defined by the CDC) should not plan to attend (participant in) resident camp.
- Health screening conducted by parents prior to travel to camp, including a temperature check.
- Health screening of all Scouts and Leaders upon arrival (and prior to exiting vehicle) at camp conducted by our camp health officers, which will also include a temperature check.
 - **Note: should the Scout or Leader not pass the arrival screening, the scout and those who rode with him to camp will not be allowed to enter camp.**
- BSA Mandated Youth Protection policies for all Dens will be maintained at all times.
- Limits on visitors in camp.
 - Visitation to the camp will not be permitted except for authorized personnel.
 - **All visitors will be screened upon arrival before entry to day camp.**
- Hygiene reminders throughout camp experience.
- Extra handwashing /sanitizer stations throughout camp.
- Program staff will clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared program equipment before and between each participant group.
- Camp Staff will wear Personal Protective Equipment that includes face masks and gloves as needed.
- Program area staff will maintain physical distancing of 6 or more feet unless necessary to do otherwise.
- Scouts should bring their own water bottles to camp.
- An emergency response plan that includes isolation and quarantine protocol should a person at camp develop symptoms of COVID-19 or other communicable disease has been established.
- Check-ins with each scout one week and two weeks after the individual leaves camp to determine if any participants have developed symptoms.

These precautions are important, but they do not remove the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp. Some people with COVID-19 show no signs or symptoms of illness but can still spread the virus, and people may be contagious before their symptoms occur. These factors mean that an infected person may pass the required health screenings and be allowed into camp.

We also know the very nature of camp makes social distancing difficult in many situations and impossible in others.

Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. *If you are in this group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider prior to attending camp.*

We know that each staff member, volunteer, and Scouting family has a unique set of circumstances to consider when deciding whether to attend camp. We hope this information will be helpful as you make those choices.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact our Course Health Officer at NYLTmedical@outlook.com or call the Old Hickory Council Office (336)760-2900

Parent Acknowledgement

I acknowledge having read this statement and understand that Old Hickory Council is doing everything possible according to National, State and Local policies to keep my child safe while camping at Raven Knob Scout Reservation.

_____ *(Parent Signature)*

_____ *(Date)*

Parent of _____ Troop/ Council _____
(First and Last Name)

