

June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

As we are moving back to an in-person phase for Troop meetings and outings, we wanted to provide a comprehensive statement to our website as to how we will navigate during these times. For any further questions, please contact the Scoutmaster Mr. Sutton ([jason@grubbyboys.com](mailto:jason@grubbyboys.com)) or the Committee Chair Mrs. Hundt ([kellyhundt@gmail.com](mailto:kellyhundt@gmail.com)).

**Important!** Please note that during ALL communications (email, text, GroupMe, video conferencing, etc.) between scout youth and adults that we must maintain two-deep leadership for BSA Youth Protection Guidelines. For any scout that reaches out to a leader as directed below, a 2<sup>nd</sup> adult (another leader or one of your parents) **MUST** be on the communication or the communication will be ignored by the adult leader.

	Topic	Discussion Points
1	Troop Meetings	<p data-bbox="391 527 574 562"><u>Meeting Dates.</u></p> <ul data-bbox="440 569 1490 709" style="list-style-type: none"><li>• June 15<sup>th</sup> will be the last virtual meeting.</li><li>• June 22<sup>nd</sup> will be back to in-person/physical meetings at Autrey Mill Nature Preserve for the time being. We will be back to Mt. Pisgah most likely in August.</li><li>• June 29<sup>th</sup> will be our semi-annual SPL/PL elections.</li></ul> <p data-bbox="391 751 873 787"><u>In-Person/Physical Meeting Information.</u></p> <p data-bbox="391 787 1518 961">With in-person meetings, we will follow (1) the Georgia Governor's latest Guidelines, currently Empowering a Healthy Georgia Executive Order dated 06/11/2020, (2) CDC Guidelines, (3) BSA's Atlanta Area Council Guidelines, and (4) Autrey Mill Nature Preserve's Guidelines that were recently approved by the City of Johns Creek in order to host rentals and volunteer groups. Precautions we will be taking include, but are not limited to, the following:</p> <ul data-bbox="440 968 1523 1612" style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Screening all scouts and adults at drop-off for COVID-19 symptoms and told not to stay if exhibiting any symptoms. This will include temperature checks with a no-touch thermometer and questions such as the following:<ol data-bbox="581 1073 1356 1249" style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Have you had a new fever or chills in the past 3 days?</li><li>2) Have you had a new or unusual cough in the past 3 days?</li><li>3) Have you had a new or unusual sore throat in the past 3 days?</li><li>4) Do you have unusual shortness of breath?</li><li>5) Have you had a sudden loss of taste or smell recently?</li></ol></li><li>• If the response to any of these questions is "yes" or the person's temperature exceeds 100.4 degrees F then they will be told to not stay. Parents of scouts can not drive off until this health screening is complete.</li><li>• Providing ready access to hand sanitizer.</li><li>• Prohibiting hand shaking and unnecessary person to person direct contact.</li><li>• Encouraging 6' social distancing where possible. Please note the current Georgia Governor Guidelines state that 6' social distancing is not mandated for groups of less than 50.</li><li>• Encouraging mask use as appropriate in indoor settings (if we go into a building, but we are planning on staying outside).</li></ul> <p data-bbox="391 1648 1513 1892">Note: Weekly Troop meetings using the patrol method and led by youth are key to the scouting experience. However, we recognize that for some families sending their youth into a larger group setting may not be an option at this time. In these instances, alternate weekly meeting participation activities will be provided at the in-person meetings so that the scouts will be socially distanced and allowed to work on merit badge/advancement to continue their journey in rank advancement. Please reach out to Mr. Sutton or Mrs. Hundt if alternate meeting activities are needed for your family.</p> <p data-bbox="391 1934 1502 1995">As a thank you to Autrey Mill Nature Preserve for letting us use their outdoor space for the time-being with NO charge, we are encouraging families (if you are able, it is not required) to</p>

		<p>donate to Autrey Mill. Donations can be monetary or you can send something for the animals from their Amazon Wish List (<a href="http://autreymill.org/support/">http://autreymill.org/support/</a>) or physical items (such as paper towels, hand sanitizer, Clorox wipes, bird seed) can brought to our meetings and dropped off.</p> <p><u>Summer Meetings.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With summer starting, we will move to Class-B t-shirts! No need to wear your Class-A uniform during Troop Meetings.</li> </ul>
2	Outings	<p>June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Autrey Mill Service Day will be held on Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup>. Scouts can sign up for a 1-3pm or 3-5pm slot (max 20 per timeslot) and earn 2 hours of service for Rank advancement. Patrols during each timeslot will be created and each patrol will be given 2 different service projects. In addition, each patrol will experience a short environmental education program put on by Autrey Mill. A small cost of \$5 will be used to purchase materials for the service projects. Flyer, permission slip, and sign-up-genius registration (to limit each timeslot to 20) is on the Troop website Events section. Permission slip and \$5 should be brought to and turned in at the event.</li> </ul> <p>July+</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Annual Planning has been postponed until July 9<sup>th</sup>, therefore outings in July and beyond are not currently known. Once decided upon at Annual Planning, they will be communicated and posted on the website soon after.</li> </ul>
3	PLC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ILST and Annual Planning PLC is scheduled for Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup>, from 5pm – 9pm. This is the normally scheduled PLC date, but times are extended to cover ILST and Annual Planning (that were not held in May). This PLC will be held at Autrey Mill Nature Preserve in the Pole Barn. Registration and \$10 (for dinner, drinks, and snacks) required, see flyer and permission slip on the Troop website Events section.</li> </ul>
4	Merit Badges, Rank Advancement, SM Conference, and Board of Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In addition to the in-person processes that we will start back on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will continue to have the virtual processes as well through the end of June. In July, we will move back to the in-person processes only.</li> </ul>

As always, please check the Troop calendar on the website for meeting changes, cancellations, and any events.