

Good morning!

The health and safety of the youth and adults of the Tecumseh Council is paramount even during the times pre COVID-19. Given the pandemic the Tecumseh Council Officers decided to revise how we will be conducting all of our summer camps at Camp Birch this summer. The camping committee, risk management committee, and health and safety committee have been meeting to put a plan together to conduct a modified summer camp. We have presented this plan to the Greene County Health Department along with the Ohio Department of Health to obtain a license to operate a summer camp this summer. We firmly believe we have a solid plan that hopefully will be accepted by the Greene County Health Department. There is an expectation by the Tecumseh Council that we will need to modify our plan based on the health department's advice.

We started with the most complex plan which is Scouts BSA. The Webelos Camp, Wolf/Bear Weekend, Cub Scout Day Camp, and STEM camp will be conducted in a very similar fashion at Scouts BSA camp with the concentric circles. The way that I view concentric circles is like a patrol, troop, den or pack. Each of them is either a small or large concentric circle. The objective with the concentric circles is to minimize how many individuals one person comes into contact with during camp and then we can conduct contact tracing if the need arises.

Please find attached all of the documents that were shared on the call last night. Please share these documents with the parents, youth, and fellow adult leaders. As you can tell with this plan, we don't have all of the answers yet. We also know there will be more questions that arise from this discussion. We will be conducting another round of calls in the next couple of weeks after you and your families have had time to digest this information. Hopefully over the next couple of weeks we will get some clear guidance on our path forward from the State of Ohio as well.

In the meantime, please send any questions that you have to me, DL Kaufman our Camp Director [damon.kaufman@scouting.org](mailto:damon.kaufman@scouting.org), Eli Underwood our program director [eli.underwood@scouting.org](mailto:eli.underwood@scouting.org) or Bethann Thompson our VP of Camping [bannt369@yahoo.com](mailto:bannt369@yahoo.com).

Thank you for all that you do for Scouting and the youth of our communities.

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