

## Dan Beard Council Safety Update Related to Coronavirus

**Wednesday, March 11, 2020** - Given recent news and updates related to the coronavirus (COVID-19), we are offering some recommendations related to your Scout activities. Please find below some resources and recommendations as you plan for your upcoming local Scouting events.

- Follow the schedule in your school district. If classes or activities are canceled or postponed, we recommend that Scout activities should be as well.
- Always coordinate with your chartered partner. Your chartered partner may also be providing guidance or cancelling activities, so you should plan to coordinate directly with them.
- For activities, check ahead with the location management to see if activities are still available or if there are any special considerations to be aware of.
- If you elect to postpone an event, try to quickly announce the rescheduled date. This will aid families in planning, and your Scouts will be able to look forward to exciting Scouting activities in the future.
- Follow recommendations for health and wellness. Here is a [resource provided by the CDC](#).
- For Scout parents looking for a way to discuss the coronavirus with their family, please visit the [CDC website](#) or review materials directly shared by your local school district. These are some of the best sources of information available.

The safety and well-being of our Scouts is the top priority for all of us. We have been in communication with local officials and we will continue to keep you updated. Your help will ensure that the most appropriate responses and best decisions are made for the safety of our youth in this rapidly changing matter. Thank you for your help.