



KU-NI-EH LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Dear Future Arrowman,

Your fellow Scouts have elected you for candidacy into the Order of the Arrow! Your election shows that those around you believe that you live by the high ideals of the Scout Oath and Law. This is a significant and exciting step in your Scouting journey, and I would like to personally extend my congratulations.

You are now able to begin your induction into the OA. Your first step in this process is to participate in a service weekend called an ordeal. This weekend will consist of an overnight and service projects at Camp Friedlander. Your second step is attending a fellowship event following your service weekend. The fellowship event is your chance to have some fun with your new brothers in the OA, meet other Scouts from around the council, and learn what it means to be a member of the Brotherhood of Cheerful Service.

Through this process, we at Ku-Ni-Eh are working diligently to ensure your safety. Last year, we held four in-person service weekends as detailed below. We plan to hold four service weekends this year in similar fashion. *Because of the dynamic nature of holding in-person events this year, we ask that every youth in attendance provides us during online registration with best contact info for a parent/guardian who can be reached in the event that they need to be picked up early.* Finally, we'd like to note that due to COVID-19 precautions, Ku-Ni-Eh's events this year will again look different from how we would normally conduct them. We expect that they will return to normal as time progresses. In accordance with current OA policies, your service weekend will be specially adapted to overcome the challenges unique to this period of time. A full description of our Lodge's COVID-19 safety procedures for in-person events is included with this letter.

In order to complete your induction and become an Arrowman, you must attend one of our service weekends, which are followed by your choice of fellowship events. In 2021, we are offering the following opportunities to complete your membership:

- April 22-23, 6:30pm Friday – 7:00pm Saturday <https://mycouncil.danbeard.org/Event/10533>
- May 6-7, 6:30pm Friday – 7:00pm Saturday <https://mycouncil.danbeard.org/MyEvents/10529>
- August 26-27, 6:30pm Friday – 7:00pm Saturday <https://mycouncil.danbeard.org/MyEvents/10532>
- October 14-15, 6:30pm Friday – 7:00pm Saturday <https://mycouncil.danbeard.org/MyEvents/10534>

Additionally, we will have service weekends in 2023, which you can attend if within 24 months of being elected.

The cost to attend a service weekend is \$45. This fee is inclusive of all applicable meal and event costs for both events, and also includes your first Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge flap, your OA sash, handbook, and your dues through the end of the year. Please register online for one of these service weekends

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using the links above. All participants must be pre-registered. In order to maintain safe operation, no walk-ins will be allowed.

The service weekend will entail sleeping under the stars, participation in a service project, and an opportunity for thoughtful reflection.

In addition to your regular camping gear (sleeping bag, personal care, etc.), you'll need to have work gloves, suitable clothing, a tarp, raincoat, water bottle, and a ground pad. Please plan on arriving wearing a mask to your in-person service weekend between 6:30pm and 7:30pm, having eaten dinner before you arrive, and in your full field uniform. Departure is estimated to be on Saturday at 7pm. Lastly, don't forget to bring a **copy** of your BSA Health Form Parts A & B, as we will not be giving this back at the end of the weekend.

To become a member of the Order of the Arrow, you'll need to attend and complete your induction events in their entirety. While there will be times of work and service to others, you'll also experience times of fun, fellowship, and meeting new friends. Once again, congratulations on your election and I look forward to seeing you at Ku-Ni-Eh's induction events in 2022!

Yours in Scouting,

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Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge 145

COVID-19 Safety Guidelines

Overview

Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge 145 is committed to hosting all of its events with safety of its members and candidates as the foremost priority. To that end, all Lodge events and activities shall follow all best practices regarding Covid-19, as outlined by national and state health agencies. This document shall serve to outline and explain all precautions that will be taken by the Lodge and its members as we return to in-person event operations. This guide shall be routinely updated as additional information becomes available regarding best practices.

Pre-Arrival Information

Self-Screening: Prior to arrival at any Lodge event. All staff and participants are expected to self-screen themselves for any signs, symptoms, or risk factors for COVID-19. If any staff member or participant is positive for any of the screening symptoms, it is expected that they shall notify the event staff and remain home.

The screening criteria are as follows:

- Fever or Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Fatigue
- Muscle or Body Aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Contact with an individual positive or suspected to have COVID-19
- Recent International Travel
- Any other reason to believe you have been exposed to or acquired COVID-19.

Annual Health and Medical Forms: All staff and participants will be expected to arrive to the event with their Annual Health and Medical Form part A and B fully completed. The form brought to the event should be a **copy** of the original as they will **not** be returned. All Medical Records will be destroyed at the conclusion of the event.

Medications: Any staff or participant that requires routine medication administration must be able to self-administer and store their medications. The Lodge will not be able to administer or store any medications.

Facial Masks: All staff and participants must arrive with, and wear, a facial mask.

Arrival Screening

Upon arrival to the event all staff and participants will be screened by Ku-Ni-Eh Lodge Health Staff in addition to regular Medical Form review. This screening shall include a temperature check and review of all screening criterion. If any individuals are positive for any screening criteria or have a temperature of greater than 100 degrees Fahrenheit, they will be asked to go home.

Safety Practices

These additional practices shall be in place throughout the event.

Social Distancing: All staff and participants shall be expected to maintain whenever possible 6ft distance between one another. Care shall be taken to facilitate this in all meals, service, and activities.

Mask-Wearing: Masks should be worn at all times, except at during sleeping hours and meals. Any individual that does not provide their own shall be issued a mask during arrival.

Sleeping Arrangements: All staff and participants shall have singular sleeping arrangements composed of personal tents.

Meal Administration: All meals provided shall be handed out prepackaged. No person but the recipient shall unwrap the meals.

Sanitizing Common Surfaces: All eating areas, tools, utensils, and any other commonly used surface shall be disinfected after every use. Event Leadership shall coordinate joint responsibilities between staff and participants to accomplish this.

Group Limiting: Event Leadership shall take care to limit the size of groups to 10. These groups shall remain the same for the duration of the event and will not come in contact with one another. Meal and Activity schedules shall be altered as necessary to reflect this.

Handwashing: All staff and participants shall wash their hands frequently throughout the event, especially after contact with common surfaces. Hand sanitizer shall be available to supplement but is no replacement for thorough hand washing.

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