



January 22, 2020

Hello, Snohomish County 4-H Community,

We hope you are all well and having a great start to the new year.

Our update for today is actually similar to the update we provided in the [November 12 update letter](#), as we are once again considering very limited in-person activities. Some basics to keep in mind:

1. If an activity can be done remotely, it should be. Those activities will likely not get approved until our region moves into later stages of the [Healthy Washington Roadmap to Recovery](#).
2. We are only considering activities that are outdoors, or in outdoor-like spaces (arena with adequate ventilation), except in very specific circumstances.
3. Meetings cannot include individuals from many different households, no more than two households in most cases. We will be looking at plans individually, so please contact Ashley with specific questions or ideas.
4. Please keep in mind that these plans have to go through the WSU chain of command, so we need to finalize a plan well in advance.
5. There are forms, an online training, and procedures that are required. We will provide the details and documents after we talk about your idea. If your plan is possible, Extension staff will help you through the entire process.
6. Youth should be involved in this process from beginning to end, so while it is great to start with a conversation with Extension to understand the restrictions and allowed activities, the next step should be a virtual meeting with club members to talk about potential in-person activities.

The main takeaway from our return to in-person plans is to please contact Ashley (email is best; see below) to get the process started. Our primary focus is resuming in-person activities that cannot be done virtually while making safety the top priority.

Now to some other news! For those volunteers who want to improve their virtual meeting skills, there is a training available from Mike Seiber, Pierce County 4-H Coordinator. The training is on Wednesday, January 27th, at 6:30 p.m. Support material for this course can be found on the [Zoom Meeting Helps page](#). Contact Mike to get a Zoom link (mike.seiber@wsu.edu).

We want to remind our community that the [Snohomish County Feed Drive](#) is still running! Contact Kim Baker if you have a youth who needs help with animal feed. You can also [submit a request](#) for help via a web form that will go directly to Kim.

Thank you for continuing to support our youth during this challenging time.

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