



COVID-19 Phase 2 Information for 4-H Programs and Volunteers – Tulare County

University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) 4-H Youth Development Program has moved into phase two of its reopening plan. At this time, no one (including 4-H volunteers, families and members) is allowed to engage in-person 4-H meetings or programs without approval from UCCE personnel (Local 4-H Program Staff, Youth Development Advisor, and/or County Director).

UC ANR has implemented 5 basic mitigation protocols that must be followed for all activities. These protocols are minimum standards for conducting 4-H programs – your County may have requirements that are more strict and must be followed. These protocols and any additional local procedures are detailed in your County Office's Location Safety Plan.

5 Basic Mitigation Protocols

1. Do not come to work or participate in any in-person ANR activities if you are sick or have COVID-19 symptoms (*frequent cough, fever, difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, recent loss of taste or smell*) or if you or someone you have been in contact with is diagnosed with COVID-19.
2. Maintain six feet of distance between people at all times.
3. Wear face coverings (cloth or paper masks, cloth bandanas, etc.) when six feet of separation between people cannot be maintained.
4. No group meetings/gatherings/events with more than 10 persons.
5. Maintain sanitary practices – frequently clean and disinfect workspaces and equipment, wash hands often, and use hand sanitizer.

The following steps must be completed by adult volunteers in order to resume limited in-person 4-H meetings, programs, or activities. Any unauthorized in-person activities will not be covered by the UC insurance and may not be included in 4-H record books. Corrective actions may be taken if 4-H volunteers or families host or participate in any unauthorized in-person activities.

COVID-19 Phase 2 - Steps Required to Begin Limited In-Person Activities

1. Must review, understand, and follow the UC ANR [Awareness of COVID-19](#) summary sheet.
2. Must review, agree to, and follow the UC ANR [Mitigation Standards Summary for COVID-19, Stage 2](#).
3. Must complete the [UC ANR COVID-19 Phase 2 Safety Training Survey for 4-H Volunteers - Tulare County](#).
4. Must receive approval from UCCE Tulare County 4-H staff prior to resuming in-person activities.
5. Must be prepared to implement the 5 basic mitigation protocols listed above, including measures to encourage participants stay home when they are sick or symptomatic, ensure distance between volunteers and/or members, use of face coverings, limiting the number of people, and maintaining hygienic practices.
6. Must review, agree to, and follow any specific guidance or safety protocols provided by the UCCE County office.
7. Must follow the [COVID-19 Phase 2 Safety Protocol Checklist](#).