



STRATEGIES TO REDUCE IN-PERSON MEETING SIZE

to 8 members or less



DIVIDE GROUP BY EXPERIENCE

Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced



DIVIDE GROUP BASED ON OTHER FACTORS

Example: Groups meet on different days/times.



SPLIT GROUP INTO 6 WEEK SESSION COHORTS

One cohort meets for 6 weeks, second cohort meets over the next 6 weeks.



DIVIDE GROUP BASED ON NEEDS

Example: access to internet



CAP ENROLLMENT IN PROJECTS

For popular projects, offer multiple sessions

Divide project participants based on experience (beginner, intermediate, advanced). *Example:*

- Hold monthly virtual meetings with all members on a common topic
- Alternate meeting in-person with a subset of the group based on experience. The in-person meeting can focus on beginner, intermediate, or advanced level activities in the project.

Divide group based on other factors (subgroups meet on different days/times). *Example:*

- Break group up into 3 smaller groups. Each group meets for 60 minutes in-person on a Saturday afternoon. Schedule ample time between meetings to sanitize surfaces and materials and limit contact between groups.

Divide group into cohorts that meet together in separate 6-week sessions. *Example:*

- One cohort meets in-person on the second Monday.
- Second cohort meets in-person on the fourth Tuesday.

Divide group based on needs. *Example:*

- Meet in-person with youth who have limited access to internet.
- Connect with rest of youth virtually during the meeting.

Offer multiple sessions for popular projects. *Example:*

- Recruit multiple adult project leaders and ask each pair to take a session.

As a last resort, consider capping youth enrollment in projects, following 4-H policies about [limiting participation](#).