

Based upon current levels of the COVID-19 pandemic, Trout Unlimited is putting in place safeguards for day events for youth. With every passing week, the national COVID-19 situation evolves as more vaccines become available and states take different approaches to public guidelines.

TU chapters and councils holding day events in the summer of 2021 should integrate the following into their planning:

- All Trout Unlimited youth events must follow relevant state and local COVID-19 guidelines
- Immediately prior to the event, youth and parents/guardians must complete the <u>CDC's COVID-</u> 19 health questionnaire
- Prior to the event, youth and parents must complete TU's COVID-19 liability waiver and photo release
- TU highly recommends that youth under the age of 13 be accompanied by a parent or guardian during the event
- Should a parent or guardian be unable to attend, TU chapters and councils should designate a lead volunteer/staff member to help younger program participants with hand washing, masking, meals, and other protocols
- TU highly recommends the wearing of masks during program activities such as casting and fly tying instruction where youth and TU staff and volunteers are unable to keep social distancing norms in place

Chapters and councils who have questions or need help with planning, should contact Franklin Tate <a href="mailto:ftate@tu.org">ftate@tu.org</a> Director of TU's Headwaters Youth Program.