

Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes Convention COVID-19 Guidelines

With health and safety in mind, below are guidelines for the 2021 Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes (L2L) conventions. We pray for Christian harmony and understanding during this unprecedented time. "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself." Philippians 2:3

1. Screening by group leaders will occur daily for every individual before interaction with people outside of their personal guest rooms.
 - a. Temperatures will be checked each morning. Each group leader will be responsible for having a dependable thermometer for the duration of his/her group's stay.
 - b. Each individual will be asked if they are experiencing the following symptoms (CDC-listed symptoms of COVID-19): fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea.
 - c. An individual who is experiencing one of these symptoms or registers a temperature at or above 100.4° F must be tested for COVID-19 and provide documentation of their negative test to a designated L2L health official before they may interact with others. If any individual has a positive test for COVID-19 while attending convention, he/she must return home, along with anyone with whom they have had recent close contact (as defined by the CDC).
 - d. Everyone who passes daily screening must wear a visible colored dot on their badge (all registered attendees regardless of age will have a badge). Colors will change daily. Individuals must immediately notify their group leader if symptoms arise following daily screening so that proper isolation and testing may occur. Group leader must immediately notify the designated L2L Health Official.
 - e. Any individual wishing to enter the convention site during the day for purposes of watching or interacting with L2L participants must be screened in the same manner by a group leader or designated L2L health official prior to convention interactions. For reasons of health, safety, security and contact tracing for all of our attendees, we require all attendees to be fully registered. We can no longer offer the option of extra Awards Ceremony seats or visitors dropping by the event. This means that everyone attending, even just for a few hours and not participating in any way, must be appropriately registered with L2L.
2. The CDC recommends social distancing and the use of masks for the protection of everyone.
 - a. Individuals should bring masks with them to convention.
 - b. Masks covering the mouth and nose must be worn at all times. This includes event rooms and ceremonies, by presenters, judges, and audience members. Masks may be removed while in a personal guest room or while eating. They must remain in place while in food lines or selecting food items. Children under the age of 2 years are not required to wear a mask.
 - c. Plastic face shields may be used in conjunction with a mask but cannot be substituted for a mask.
 - d. Individuals should maintain appropriate social distancing while at convention.

3. Waivers must be signed for each individual in attendance. Parental waivers must be signed for each person 18 years of age or younger in attendance. **Waivers completed prior to convention for all attendees must be turned in on site by the group leader when they register their group. A link to the waiver will be on the L2L website.**
4. There is no guideline exemption at this time for individuals who have recovered from COVID-19 or received doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.
5. Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who have close contact with someone who tests positive within 14 days prior to the start of convention should not attend.
6. These guidelines may be amended as necessary to ensure adherence to all federal, state, and local laws.