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Access to the Nature Center During COVID Closure

Purpose: Many people, including PEEC staff, PEEC volunteers, County employees, and others, are using the Los Alamos Nature Center while the building is closed to the public because of the COVID-19 pandemic. PEEC recognizes the benefits of accessing the nature center and wishes to fairly grant access to all who need it for completion of mission-related tasks, while keeping everyone safe.

Policy:

Everyone entering the building must sign in and verify their health using the self-screening checklist. At no time should there be more than 10 people in the building, except during youth programs.

Everyone using the building must first be scheduled on the PEEC Staff on Duty Google calendar. Only staff have access to this calendar, so non-staff must schedule with any staff member at least 24 hours in advance of their being in the building. County employees should also notify a staff member 24 hours in advance of their being in the building.

Staff or volunteers who are performing essential tasks for PEEC (such as caring for the live animals or running PEEC programming) receive priority for time slots in the building, and are free to state whether or not they are comfortable with another person being in the building at the same time they are. However, scheduling a visit does not guarantee there will be no one else in the building with you.

Masks must be worn when people are in close proximity to each other. If people are not in the same room, they may choose whether or not to wear masks. If two people are in the building at the same time, masks should be worn when entering and leaving the building, as these are times when you are most likely to pass another person.

Hand sanitizer and surface disinfectants are available by the classroom door to use at your discretion.