



SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

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Tribal Council approves return to Phase II “Safer at Home”, Level 1

Southern Ute Indian Reservation – In accordance with the tribal Resolution 2021-104 which adopted amended COVID-19 metrics, and due to the rise in data, the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council approved moving to the more restricted Phase II, “Safer at Home” Level 1 Order effective on Friday, August 27, 2021. The Southern Ute Tribal Council, in consultation with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Incident Management Team (IMT) determined it was in the Tribe’s best interests to move to a more restrictive phase due to the New COVID Cases, Percent of Positivity, and Hospitalizations in the area.

Tribal leadership continues to prioritize the health safety of the tribal membership, tribal staff, and our tribal community. “It is more important, now than ever, for everyone to follow the recommendations to keep our community safe,” stated Chairman Melvin J. Baker. “The Delta variant is more transmissible, and individuals can experience more severe symptoms. I encourage our community to consider getting a COVID-19 vaccine, and test frequently to help us identify positive cases – keeping our community safe. By following the COVID safety guidelines, getting vaccinated, and testing frequently we are protecting our Tribal Elders, our language and our culture.”

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe will remain in Phase II “Stay at Home”, Level 1 until further notice. The Tribal offices remain open to the public, however all individuals are required to complete the tribal COVID screening process.

Below are what to expect when the Tribe moves to Phase II “Safer at Home”, Level 1.

The following activities are allowed:

- Visit, care for, and assist a family member or friend
- Go to the grocery store
- Pick up medications or attend medical appointments

- Go to school or buy educational supplies
- Go to, or get things from, work
- Go to a restaurant or store, provided all protective measures of the establishment are followed
- Spend time outdoors to enjoy activities such as walking, hiking, playing, or picnicking at a park, etc.
- Exercise indoors or outdoors provided capacity restrictions and protective measures are in place
- Take your pets to veterinarian appointments

The following activities are not allowed:

- Do not leave your home or visit with family members and friends if you are sick
- Do not visit loved ones who are not non-household members in the hospital, nursing home, or other residential care facility
- Do not stop using a face mask or covering when you are leaving your home
- Do not maintain less than 6 feet of distance between you and non-household members when you go out

Restrictions in Phase II, Level 1:

- Personal gatherings are restricted to 30 individuals or less
- Indoor capacity is restricted to 75% of setting capacity and 175 maximum capacity
- Outdoor capacity is restricted to 75% of setting capacity and 200 maximum capacity

For more information, please visit the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's website and social media, in the Southern Ute Drum, and on the air at KSUT Tribal Radio. Individuals can also call the Southern Ute Indian Tribe by dialing 970.563.0100.

If you are sick, please self-isolate. If your symptoms begin to worsen, please call your primary healthcare provider or the Southern Ute Health Center at 970.563.4581. Do not arrive at your primary health care provider office without calling to notify the professionals of your symptoms.

Please continue to practice good hygiene by washing your hands with soap and warm water for 20 seconds, cough and sneeze into the bend of your elbow or in a tissue then throw the tissue away. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects in your home. Please continue to practice social distancing staying 6 feet away from others. Stay connected with your loved ones and our tribal elders.

Key Metrics and Restrictions for Phases of the COVID-19 Pandemic

	PHASE I "STAY AT HOME"	PHASE II "SAFER AT HOME"			PHASE III "PROTECT OUR NEIGHBOR"
Metrics	SEVERE RISK	LEVEL 3 HIGH RISK	LEVEL 2 CONCERN	LEVEL 1 CAUTIOUS	CAREFUL
PERSONAL GATHERING SIZE	No greater than 5	No greater than 10	No greater than 20	No greater than 30	125 CAP
INDOOR SETTING CAPACITY	CLOSED	25% 25 Max Capacity	50% 75 Max Capacity	75% 175 Max Capacity	Up to 100% 500 Max Capacity
OUTDOOR EVENTS	CLOSED	25% 50 Max Capacity	50% 100 Max Capacity	75% 200 Max Capacity	Up to 100% 500 Max Capacity

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