



BIO GIRLS - DECISION GUIDE: Full Site vs. Squad

As we approach the 2021 season, BIO Girls is adding Squads as an additional option for programming that allows for smaller groups and more flexibility in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The following table summarizes the criteria to help you in your decision to host a full site or a squad in your community. The main criteria for you to consider include: Season Timing, Meeting Location, Volunteers, Program Demand, and Fundraising.

FULL SITE	SQUAD
<p>SEASON TIMING: (Flexible)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summer season (starting May or later) - Fall season (starting July or later) 	<p>SEASON TIMING: (Dates are Set)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - March 6 - May 28, 2021 - June 5 - August 20, 2021 (11 week season accounting for July 4 and ND school start) - August 9 - October 31, 2021 (could do 11 weeks to account for Labor Day weekend)
<p>FACILITY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do you have a location that will allow up to 54 people AND includes 5,400 SF? - Can you hold sessions outdoors if needed? - Were you able to secure a location for a summer/fall 2020 season? 	<p>FACILITY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will finding a location large enough for 54 people be difficult? - A large facility is available, but they are not allowing large groups to use the space. - Did you previously meet in a school or other location not currently allowing groups?
<p>VOLUNTEERS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Are you able to secure 10 volunteers willing/able to meet in large groups (50+ people)? - Are you personally willing/able to meet in large groups (50+ people)? 	<p>VOLUNTEERS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will it be difficult to recruit 10 volunteers for large group meetings (50+ people)? - Are you and/or volunteers are concerned about meeting in large groups (50+ people) ?
<p>DEMAND:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Did your community have the demand for a full BIO Girls site in the past (35-40 participants)? - Does your community have hundreds or more program-age girls? - Is your school operating with few restrictions or with a 'new normal'? - Are other activities for youth being offered in your community? 	<p>DEMAND:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Did your community have BIO Girls in the past with a smaller number of participants (15-25)? - Is your community small/rural with less than one hundred program-age girls? - Is your school operating fully online? - Are other activities for youth suspended due to COVID-19?
<p>FUNDRAISING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is your site fully funded for a full site for 2021 (\$4,000)? - Is your site almost fully funded (within \$1,500) for a full site for 2021? 	<p>FUNDRAISING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Are you concerned about fundraising difficulties in your community due to economic conditions?