

Can clubs have food or drink at their events?

Short answer:

During February: No.

Beginning in March: Maybe, IF we are in an acceptable phase for gatherings and IF certain strict health and safety protocols are followed including not using any shared food and minimizing time without masks.

Longer answer:

- **Weeks 1-2 (through February 14th): No.**
 - o No in-person events at all.

- **Weeks 3-4 (February 15 – 28): No.**
 - o Though in-person events may be allowed, food, including personal food or drink, is not permitted. If in-person events are allowed, masks must be worn at all times.

- **Week 5 and later (March 1 and following): Maybe.**

Starting March 1, 2021, IF we are not at a heightened [alert level](#) then food may be allowed within the following parameters:

 - o **SKIDSYNC APPROVAL:** All club events (regardless of food) must be submitted and approved via SkidSync **at least two weeks in advance.**
 - Any plans to have food or drink must be shared in the event form on SkidSync for approval.
 - o **HEALTH & SAFETY COORDINATOR:** All in-person club events (regardless of food) must have club member present who is a trained Health and Safety Coordinator who received new training for Spring 2021.
 - o **NO SHARED FOOD, DRINK, or CONTAINERS:** This means no buffet-style food or other common containers. Food can come from on campus (each individual participant would need to pick up and bring their own food and drink) or off campus (pending the regular process for SGA club budget approval and purchasing and only if the food and drink arrives in individual packaging.)
 - o **DISTANCING:** Food or drink must be consumed while maintaining at least 6 ft of distance from others.
 - o **MINIMIZE TIME WITHOUT MASKS:** Time for eating or drinking must be limited. Masks must be worn at all other times and when moving about the space. Other elements of the event (projects, presentation, other activities) should happen separately from the time for food and drink, with time and plans for cleaning up between activities.

More details, including suggestions for how to keep things simple and safe, will be shared with club Health and Safety Coordinators at the Spring 2021 training.

Remember: Restrictions can change at the last minute based on health and safety needs. Even if an event with food is tentatively approved, clubs should always have a backup plan (cancellation, postponement, moving online).