



## VIRTUAL TOP SECRET BIRTHDAY PARTY FAQs

### CAN YOU GIVE MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE PARTY EXPERIENCE?

Our Virtual Top Secret Birthday party is a 1 hour, live, interactive mission run by a SPY Educator that takes place in our secure Zoom room. We have an agent in the field that needs our help. Recruits, led by the Birthday child, complete mini spy missions and build their spy skills. They might need to race around the house to find a disguise that would work in the field, build a gadget on the fly, and decode secret messages. We encourage participants to interact with each other by sharing their video and showcasing their disguises and gadgets. At the end of the party, we sing “Happy Birthday” to the birthday child.

### HOW DO YOU MAKE THE BIRTHDAY CHILD FEEL SPECIAL?

The birthday child is our lead recruit during our Top Secret Mission. They will be asked to share their ideas first and choose who talks next. At the end of the party, we will ask all participants to sing “Happy Birthday.”

### WHAT IS THE CANCELLATION POLICY?

Unfortunately, our Virtual Top Secret Birthdays are non-refundable. If you need to reschedule a party for some reason, please email [educators@spymuseum.org](mailto:educators@spymuseum.org) as soon as possible and we will do our best to work with you to find a new date.

### CAN I BOOK A VIRTUAL BIRTHDAY FOR MY 12 YEAR OLD?

The recommend party ages are 7-11 years old. The birthday party format might interest 12 year old’s if they are willing to go along with the story. The storyline is that we have an agent in the field who needs our help. It's a very fun, interactive birthday but sometimes this might not be the best party for pre-teens.

### DO THE BIRTHDAY PARTY PARENTS AND/OR GUESTS NEED TO PREPARE ANYTHING?

There is nothing that the birthday party parents and/or guests need to prepare for the virtual birthday party. The detailed party email that you will receive to give to guests suggests **optional items** to prepare:

- Space to move around
- Arrive to the party in disguise
- Pencil and paper
- [Speaking in Code](#) sheet - a PDF with a cipher wheel and pig pen code to print out.

### WHAT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS DAY OF THE PARTY?

The birthday party family can log into Zoom 10 minutes prior to the party start time to meet the SPY Educator leading their party. The Educator will answer any last minute questions you may have.

### **CAN PARTICIPANTS WEAR DISGUISES?**

Yes, participants are welcome to show up in a disguise at the beginning of the party!

### **HOW MANY KIDS CAN PARTICIPATE DURING THE BIRTHDAY PARTY?**

A virtual Top Secret Birthday Party can have up to 20 participants, including the birthday child. You can invite up to 5 additional participants to watch the party (ex- grandparents, family friends)!

For the additional cost of \$15 per child, you can invite up to 10 more guests to participate during the birthday party. However, due to the interactive nature of Virtual Top Secret Birthday parties we strongly discourage having more than 20 participants. More than 20 players means not everyone will have the chance to talk or share their disguise and gadgets.

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### **CAN I BUY SPY-THEMED GOODIE BAGS FOR MY VIRTUAL BIRTHDAY PARTY?**

The SPY retail store is open and can assist you with party favors or spy-themed gifts for your birthday child. Top Secret Birthday [goodie bags](#), reusable [DENY EVERYTHING](#) water bottle and other selection of [party favors](#) can be purchased online. For specific questions please email [info@spymuseumstore.org](mailto:info@spymuseumstore.org).

### **ARE YOU OFFERING ONSITE BIRTHDAY PARTIES?**

Currently, we are only offering [Virtual Top Secret Birthday parties](#) for the remainder of 2020.