



CAMP RAYMOND

2025 Participant's Guide
for Eagles Nest Program



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Dear Campers and Parents,

Welcome to the 2025 Camp Raymond Summer Program! We are excited to bring back the magic of summer camp after a long break since 2019. This guide contains all the essential information you need to ensure a successful and enjoyable experience for your Scouts.

At Camp Raymond, we take pride in offering an exceptional program rooted in the rich traditions of Scouting. Our curated experiences challenge Scouts, foster camaraderie, and provide opportunities for personal growth. With a fully provisional model, Scouts will attend camp without their traditional units or adult leaders—our dedicated camp staff will guide them throughout the week, creating a dynamic and supportive environment.

For 2025, we are proud to offer two signature programs:

Eagle's Nest: Designed for Scouts 13 and older, this program focuses on earning Eagle-required merit badges through experiential learning while exploring what it truly means to be an Eagle Scout.

Four Peaks and a Ditch: A physically challenging high-adventure program for Scouts 15 and older. Participants will base out of Raymond and summit four successively higher peaks daily, culminating in a descent into the Grand Canyon.

In this guide, you will find detailed information about our camp policies, program schedules, merit badge offerings, and other essential resources. Proper preparation is key to maximizing your camp experience, and our team is here to support you every step of the way.

As you plan your Scout's adventure to Camp Raymond, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns. Our team is committed to ensuring that your time at camp is safe, rewarding, and filled with the spirit of Scouting.

Thank you for choosing Camp Raymond for your summer adventure. We look forward to welcoming you and your Scouts back for an unforgettable 2025 camping season.

Yours in Scouting,

The Camp Raymond Team



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\$495

for Eagles Nest Program
incl. Scouts from in-council and out-of-council units

\$595

for Four Peaks & a Ditch Program
incl. Scouts from in-council and out-of-council units

2025 CAMPING DATES

Session 4 June 22-28

Important The Grand Canyon Council requires all units to follow the payment schedule. Any changes to your registration must be submitted to GCC as soon as possible. Failure to pay required fees may result in a reservation cancellation. See our council policies on the next page for more information.

2025 PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Save-A-Spot Reservation	\$50/ Scout	A non-refundable site deposit is due at the time of reservation until December 31, 2024. This will save your spot. The fee will be applied to the balance due on February 5, 2025.
February 5, 2025	\$175/ Scout	All participants must submit a nonrefundable deposit by this date. Everyone who makes their payment by this date will receive a \$15/person discount.
April 2, 2025	\$175/ Scout	All participants must submit a nonrefundable deposit by this date. Any participant who's payment is not received by April 2, 2025 is subject to cancellation.
May 7, 2025	Remaining Balance	Total balance of all camp fees is due by May 7, 2025. A \$50 late fee will be charged per participant for any fees paid after May 7, 2025. This payment is nonrefundable.

Camping Department
Grand Canyon Council, BSA
(602) 955-7747 ext. 247
gcc.program@grandcanyonbsa.org

Register Today:
www.campraymond.org



Refund Policy

It is important to remember that all camp fees are nonrefundable at each payment stage. In the case of the death of an immediate family member, sickness, or injury prior to attending camp, or military transfer, we will give a partial refund when verified by a physician, military commander, or such official. Reasons such as vacation schedule, summer school, and last-minute changes of mind are not acceptable reasons for refunds. Participants that leave camp during the session, for any reason, will not receive a refund. Though fees are nonrefundable at each payment stage, Scouts are eligible to make some changes without penalty. A youth can replace a youth, and an adult can replace an adult. This is not interchangeable. This is to help our council camps provide the very best program, since we sign contracts with our staff and vendors long before you arrive on property. **All refund requests must go through the camp registrar. The staff at camp are not authorized to make refund decisions.**

Camperships

Going to summer camp is a privilege and we believe campers should earn money for camp by doing odd jobs or participating in troop or council fundraisers; however, we understand that some families need additional assistance. A limited number of camperships are available and can be applied for at this link: www.support.grandcanyonbsa.org/forms-resources/

The first round of campership applications must be submitted by February 5, 2025 and processed by March 5, 2025. The second round of campership applications must be submitted by April 2, 2025 and processed by April 30, 2025.

Camperships will be applied to the registration balance once approved. Please note, if a Scout does not attend the program a campership was awarded for, then he or she will forfeit their personal contributions up to the minimum non-refundable amount. Additionally, camperships are awarded for a specific Scouts and cannot be transferred to other Scouts without completing a new campership request.

Registered Scouts and Leaders

All Grand Canyon Council properties are nationally accredited and must follow the Boy Scouts of America's guidelines. All staff and participants, including scouts and adult leaders, must be registered and have completed all mandatory trainings such as youth protection. Camp Raymond's programs are only open for those registered in Scouts BSA, Venturing, Exploring, and Sea Scouts.

Visitors in Camp

Authorized visitors must check-in at the health lodge immediately after arriving at camp to receive a official camp wristband. Visitors are not allowed to eat in the. Visitors are never allowed to stay overnight.

Adult Leaders

This program is proviosnal and designed to support older Scouts and does not require Troop leadership. We are not preparing for programing for adults. If you are interested in staffing please reach out to the Program Department at gcc.program@grandcanyonbsa.org.

Camp Mailing & Contact Information

In order to ensure your Scout receives their letter or package on time, please send mail at least five days prior to the start of camp. We recommend sending mail with your Troop Leaders to distribute throughout the week. You may also want to label when you want them to receive it (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, ect.)

Camp Raymond

Scout's First & Last Name
Camp Raymond
7709 S. Boy Scout Camp Rd.
Parks, AZ 86018

Camp Raymond Emergency Number
(602) 955-7747 ext. 229
gcc.program@grandcanyonbsa.org



Arriving at Camp

Getting to Camp

Camp Raymond is located approximately 20 miles west of Flagstaff, Arizona. Camps physical address is 7709 S. Boy Scout Camp Rd. Parks, AZ 86018.

Sunday Arrival

All participants are required to arrive between 1:00pm and 3:00pm. Any late arrivals must alert camp management ahead of time. Before departing, make sure all of your forms (if you did not turn them in ahead of time) and any medications listed in Part B2 of the BSA AHMR are easily accessible. You will need to quickly access them once arriving at camp.

Check-In Process

Arriving at the Front Gate

Once you arrive at the Front Gate of Camp Raymond, a staff member will greet you and collect your Pre-Event Medical Checklist. When parking please back-in your vehicle and then walk to the Dining Hall porch for your official check-in.

Dining Hall Porch

Here, you'll start off by taking a contactless temperature check and meeting your Troop Guide. This is also where you'll turn in all required paperwork. If you have any questions for the Camp Director or Program Director, feel free to ask them at this time.

Required Paperwork

You can find these forms online at www.campraymond.org.

- **BSA Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist**, one for each vehicle driving scouts to camp. Please complete this form prior to leaving for camp.
- **Provisional Scout Liability Agreement**
- A copy of each participants **BSA Annual Health and Medical Record**.
- **BSA Swim Classification Record** for any participant taking any water focused Merit Badges or anyone looking to participate in lake or pool open programs. (If you completed swim checks prior to camp)
- **Dietary Needs Request Form** filled out in Black Pug.
- GCC Electronics Policy

Wildlife & Ecology

Camp Raymond is located in the beautiful Kaibab National Forest, and is home to many native animals, trees and plants. Both scouts and adult leaders are encouraged to consistently follow Leave No Trace principles to preserve the natural beauty of the camp's surroundings.

Animal Safety

Scouts have an opportunity to observe many types of wildlife that includes deer, bats, raccoons, birds, skunks, turkey, snakes, coyotes, amphibians, and bears. It is wise to remember that these animals are the permanent residents of the backcountry. Therefore, treat all animals with respect and observe from a distance. Do not follow, feed, tease, or handle wildlife. If you discover a snake or an animal that is behaving strangely, please notify the camp staff immediately. More information is available in the GCC Wildlife Guide.

Plant Safety

The forest's vegetation is a delicate ecosystem. Please stay on designated trails and avoid using living, natural materials for shelters or projects. The trees at Camp Raymond are especially important to us, so please refrain from climbing, carving, hanging items from, or otherwise damaging them.



Camp Safety

Ensuring the well-being of all campers is crucial to a successful week. Our staff are ready to address immediate medical needs. However, Scouts should be prepared by following our health and safety policies.

Emergency Procedures

All procedures will be reviewed in person, on day one of camp. Please ask any staff member if you have further questions.

The Health Lodge

The Camp Health Lodge is staffed 24 hours a day by qualified medical personnel. Arrangements have been made with local rescue squads and hospitals to handle any medical emergencies. For insurance purposes all accidents, no matter how minor, must be reported to the Health Lodge and recorded.

Medication Policy

The Grand Canyon Council and Camp Raymond requires that all prescription and over the counter (OTC) medications be stored under lock and key, and to be administered by the camp personnel.

- Emergency medications such as inhalers, EpiPen's, and nitro should be maintained on the patient's person.
- Refrigerated medications may be stored at the Health Lodge or in the campsite, under lock and key.
- All medication should be in a container issued by a pharmacist with the medication name and strength, the dose and dose frequency clearly marked on the container.

BSA Annual Health and Medical Record

Any person staying overnight must submit a Personal Annual Health and Medical Record upon arrival at Camp. Late arrivals should report to the Health Lodge. Please understand that the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record is the only medical form recognized by the Boy Scouts of America— sport, military, or other medical records may not be substituted. This record is provided as a fillable PDF, and members are encouraged to fill it out on their computer, then print the record (rather than printing the record and filling it out by hand). Doing this will improve the readability and accuracy of each member's medical information.

Check Out

The final Check-Out process will begin after Breakfast at 9:00am. Since Saturday is the only day our staff have off we ask that all Scouts are ready to leave by 11:00 am. Please complete the following to insure a smooth departure. We will also have the option to check out early on Friday evening. You will confirm pickup time on Sunday check-in. Checkout and pickup will be at the Headquarters building.

- Continental Breakfast will be served in the Dining Hall from 7:00 am to 9:00 am.
- Complete a campsite inspection with your Guide.
- Make your final stop at the Trading Post for any patches or last minute snacks.
- Stop by Headquarters to check for any lost and found.

Lost Property

Prior to arriving to camp, encourage Scouts to clearly mark all personal items with their name and unit number. This will help us return items to their owners prior to your departure. Lost and found is located at HQ. Any items left at camp will be kept for two weeks at the Council Service Center in Phoenix and then donated to local charities.



Your Week at a Glance

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	7:00 AM Flags					All Scouts Check-Out By 11:00 AM
	7:15 AM - 8:15 AM Breakfast					
	8:30 AM - 9:20 AM Merit Badge Class 1					
	9:30 AM - 10:20 AM Merit Badge Class 2					
	10:30 AM - 11:20 AM Merit Badge Class 3					
	11:30 AM - 12:20 PM Merit Badge Class 4					
1:00 PM Check-In Begins	12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch					
	1:30 PM - 2:50 PM Merit Badge Class 5					
	3:00 - 5:00 PM Open Program					
	5:45 PM Flags					
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Dinner						
7:30 PM Opening Activity	7:15 PM Guest Speaker	7:15 PM Tie Die Tuesday	7:15 PM Eagle Process	7:15 PM Guest Speaker	7:30 PM Campfire	
	8:00 PM Free Time	8:00 PM Free Time	8:00 PM Free Time	8:00 PM Free Time		
10:00 PM Quiet Time	10:00 PM Quiet Time	10:00 PM Quiet Time	10:00 PM Quiet Time	10:00 PM Quiet Time	10:00 PM Quiet Time	

Camp Raymond Daily Program

From morning to night there is always something to look forward to at Camp Raymond. The following is the day to day program that we offer.

Flag Ceremonies

Camp Raymond will hold two flag ceremonies daily, each before/after your Breakfast and Dinner meal shifts. All Scouts are expected to wear their Field Uniforms for evening flags. In addition to the flag ceremony, the staff will host a general assembly where you can learn more about the day's events.

Afternoon Programs

Scout Camp has always been about more than advancement, make sure your Scouts participate in the many open programs held throughout the week:

- Open Boating
- Open Shooting
- Open Hiking
- Open Climbing
- Open Swimming
- Cards & Games

Merit Badges

All badges will be taught based on the requirements found in the most recent edition of the BSA's requirement book. Scouts seeking to take a merit badge must preregister through the online registration system for our merit badge classes.

It is the responsibility of each Scout to choose and prepare for each merit badge that they wish to take in advance of their week at camp. Prerequisites exist for many of the badges and are outlined in this guide. To prevent partials, please make sure your Scouts come to camp with these prerequisites completed and appropriate proof of completion (i.e. examples of their work or a note from their Scoutmaster). To ensure quality and safe instruction, class sizes are limited according to the number of instructors, equipment, and other factors.

Our merit badges are tracked online through the registration system. You do not need to bring blue cards with you. You will receive an electronic printout of the merit badges your Scouts have completed or not completed when you check out. You will receive instructions in your checkout packet prior to leaving camp regarding how to print your blue cards and upload the data into Scoutbook.

Merit Badges



First Aid

Improve your first aid knowledge in this Eagle-required merit badge
Prerequisites: 5a, 5b.



Cooking

Scouts learn about nutrition and hone their cooking skills.
Prerequisites: 4.



Personal Fitness

Scouts will learn how to develop lifelong habits for physical, mental and emotional wellness through fitness assessments, goal setting and health education
Prerequisites: 7 & 8.



Communication

This badge will provide the necessary skills for effective verbal, written and non verbal communication in personal, professional and public settings.
Prerequisites: 4 & 5.



Personal Management

Personal Management teaches Scouts essential skills for managing finances, setting goals and making informed decisions to prepared for a successful future.
Prerequisites: 2.



Swimming

This program is physically demanding and requires strength and endurance.
Prerequisites: Must complete BSA Swimmer test.

Merit Badges



Citizenship In The Nation

Scouts learn about the principles of American government, their national responsibilities, and how to contribute meaningfully as informed citizens. *Prerequisites: 7.*



Citizenship In The Community

This merit badge teaches Scouts about their local community's structure, services, and responsibilities, encouraging active participation and engagement as a good citizen. *Prerequisites: 3.*



Citizenship In The World

This badge explores global awareness, international relationships, and the role of Scouts as responsible global citizens. *No prerequisites.*



Citizenship In Society

This badge focuses on diversity, equity, and inclusion, encouraging Scouts to explore and promote fairness and understanding in their communities. *No prerequisites.*



Health Care Professions

The Health Care Professions merit badge introduces Scouts to various careers in the medical field, emphasizing the skills, education, and dedication required to help others through health care. *No prerequisites.*



Required Documents

All documents can be found on www.campraymond.org

- BSA Annual Health & Medical Record (parts A, B & C)
- Copy of Insurance Card
- Medications
- Please label everything with your Scout's name and troop number

Personal Equipment

- Sleeping Bag with liner or sheet inside
- Ground cloth
- Field Uniform (shirt, shorts or pants, belt and socks)
- Activity Uniform (Troop T-shirt, Camp T-shirt)
- Rain Jacket or Poncho
- Warm Jacket (fleece or sweater)
- Hat (ball cap and stocking cap)
- Socks
- Underwear
- Scout appropriate T-Shirts
- Swimsuit
- Long Pants (jeans or Scout pants)
- Long Sleeve Shirt
- Pair Tennis Shoes
- Pair Boots
- Pair Sandals (for shower only)
- Old Towel for Pool/Showers
- Toiletries (Soap, Toothbrush & Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo)
- Sunscreen, Chapstick
- Bug Spray
- Water Bottle and/or Camelback
- Spending Money
- Flashlight or Head Lamp & Extra Batteries
- Sleeping Pad, Cot or Air Mattress
- Scout Handbook
- Paper and Writing Materials
- Backpack or Duffle Bag
- One-week supply of personal hand sanitizer
- One-week supply of disinfectant wipes
- Camp chair
- Personal Tent
- Cot or Sleeping Pad

Optional Items

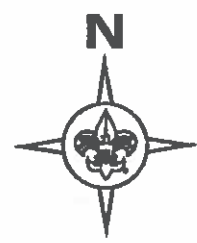
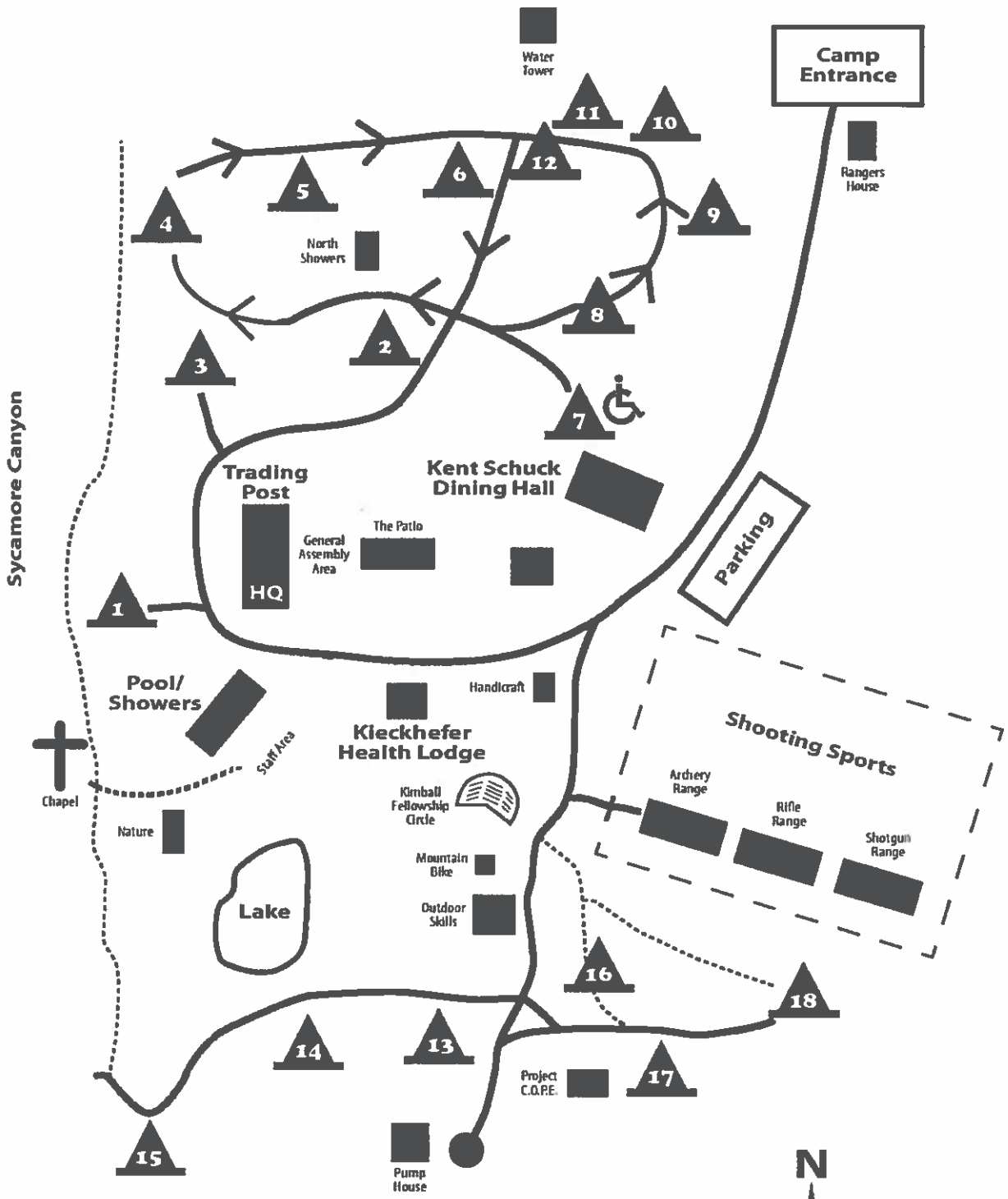
- Musical Instrument
- Day Pack
- Folding pocket knife (must have Totin'Chip)
- Compass
- Spending Money (the typical Scout spends \$80 at the trading post)
- Mess Kit or Bowl w/ spoon
- Disposable Camera
- Card Games
- Small Pillow
- Spare Rope or Cordage
- Board Games & Cards

Leave at Home

- Matches, Lighters, Hot Sparks
- Sheath Knives
- Personal archery/shooting sports equipment
- Laser Pointers
- Bicycles
- Any questionable items

Trading Post

The Trading Post will be open at convenient hours every day during camp. The Trading Post carries apparel, patches, souvenirs, merit badge pamphlets, craft supply materials, snacks, soft drinks, candy, and a wide selection of outdoor supplies. The typical Scout will spend \$80-\$120 at the Trading Post



Camp Raymond

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