



# WINTER CAMP PARENT & LEADER GUIDE



# 2025





# WELCOME TO CAMP LA-NO-CHE

Welcome to the 2025/2026 Camp La-No-Che Winter Camp Parent and Leader Guide. We have learned a lot from these past couple of winters about camp and how important it is. We are prepared to deliver an unparalleled experience for all Scouts this upcoming program year no matter what the world may send our way.

In the coming months leading up to your stay, there will be many troop meetings, including new Scouts, new skills learned, and a build-up of excitement for your next adventure. All of this will lead to the highlight of many of your Scouts' year – a week at camp with their friends making memories that will last a lifetime.

***“A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room.”  
- Lord Robert Baden-Powell***

To help you get your Scouts ready for this great experience, we have put together this Winter Camp Parent and Leader Guide to help you prepare for camp, inform you of important dates, let you know what to expect while at camp, and help prepare you to get the most out of your stay.

Detailed information for our programs and activities are published in our Winter Camp Program Guide. An overview of each program area open at Winter Camp is included in this guide and can be used as a tool for Scouts to start thinking about their adventures at Camp La-No-Che.

Every year, we work to recruit a skilled Winter Camp Staff and we want your most accomplished Scouts to be a part of Camp La-No-Che's future. Please encourage your best Scouts to apply for a position this upcoming winter or summer. We are accepting applications now, more information can be found on page 4 of this Leaders Guide.

***Adventure Awaits, See you at Camp La-No-Che!***

***Camp La-No-Che Program Team***

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# CAMP LA-NO-CHE STAFF MESSAGE

## CAMP STAFF COMMITMENT

Here at Camp La-No-Che we believe that communication is key to an amazing Winter Camp! At any point while planning your Winter Camp experience, during your experience, or post experience please do not hesitate to reach out to the Camp Office or any Camp Staff member we will be happy to help. If your unit is looking for a specific experience to help supplement your unit program please let us know we will do our best to accommodate.

## CAMP COMMISSIONER MESSAGE

Service is a large part of Scouting. Every Scout must participate in service projects to advance in rank. Service also goes beyond advancement requirements. It is part of the growing process along your journey as you move from youth to adulthood. Transitioning from working for what you want to working for the community as a whole.

That is why so many good people spend so much time volunteering. Think of all of the adults who helped out your troop. They give their time willingly to help you, even though they are busy. These Scouters don't complain about the commitment. They are happy to spend their precious free time helping you, not because it benefits them, but because it benefits you! They demonstrate cheerful service every session at your meetings and now at camp!

While you are here at camp we provide ample opportunities for cheerful service from participating in flag ceremonies, to serving your fellow Scouts in the dining hall, cleaning common areas of camp, to Commissioner Special Projects. Please take the initiative to be a "Helpful" Scout and provide cheerful service for your camp community.

## HELP BUILD THE FUTURE, JOIN CAMP STAFF!

*Do you love Camp La-No-Che?*

*Do you have a passion for serving others?*

*Would you like to have fun while working and get paid?*

*Are you a leader who enjoys instructing others?*

The application process is open for those interested in becoming a Camp Staff Member. We are looking for exceptional youth and adults who would like to spend their time at camp, providing an unparalleled experiences.

- AREA DIRECTOR (18+): Responsible for developing area staff, ensuring program and activity curriculum delivery, entry of advancement information daily, and other duties as assigned by the Camp Director.

- PROGRAM COUNSELOR (15+): Responsible for delivering program and activity curriculum, upkeep of assigned program area, participation in flag, campfire, and other duties as assigned by the Camp Director.

- COUNSELOR IN TRAINING (14): Volunteer or junior staff member, assists with delivering program curriculum.

**SUMMER CAMP APPLICATION  
DEADLINE- JANUARY 1ST**



**WINTER CAMP APPLICATION  
DEADLINE- NOVEMBER 1ST**

[CAMPLANOCH.COM/SEASONAL-CAMP-STAFF/](https://camplanoche.com/seasonal-camp-staff/)

# ATTENDING CAMP



**Session A:**  
December 20-23<sup>rd</sup>

**Session B:**  
December 27-30<sup>th</sup>

**Session C:**  
January 2-5<sup>th</sup>

Winter Camp is for Scouts who want to have an unforgettable experience that will create memories that last a lifetime! Scouts are able to participate in different experiences, such as merit badges or specialty programs. Each day there are opportunities for activities from swimming, archery, rifle to our evening trail hikes and 1300 ft zip!

## RESERVE YOUR CAMPSITE NOW:

Pay a Unit deposit of **\$100** to guarantee your campsite preference

## SESSION A & B & C (4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS)

### EARLY REGISTRATION:

SCOUTS: \$295  
PROVO: \$310  
ADULTS: \$100  
(paid 30 days prior to camp)

### ON-TIME REGISTRATION:

SCOUTS: \$320  
PROVO: \$335  
ADULTS: \$100  
(paid 29 days prior to camp)

## PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION:

A **\$50** per Scout non-refundable deposit is due at registration  
(all fees must be paid 30 days before camp starts)

## WINTER CAMP 2025/2026 FREE LEADERS TO CAMP:

Units who bring the following amount of Scouts to camp attend free.

- 5-29 Scouts = 2 Free Leaders
- 30-39 Scouts = 3 Free Leaders
- 40-49 Scouts = 4 Free Leaders

## ADDITIONAL PROGRAM FEES:

Camp La-No-Che does charge additional fees for some Troop Time Activities and Specialty Programs. These programs like ATV & Adventure are more expensive, due to the training of staff and material costs. A list of Troop Time Activities effected can be found in the Program Guide.

## DISCOUNT OPPORTUNITIES:

Second Session = save **\$15** per Scout





# PROVISIONAL CAMPING

SCOUTS! If your Unit is not able to attend Winter Camp look no further than the Provisional Camper Program! Provisional offers a unique experience for Scouts to come together from different cities, councils, or even states to meet one another and have a great experience!

All programs are available to Provisional (Provo) Scouts as if they attended with their unit and we provide adult leadership to watch over them throughout their stay! The additional cost for Provo helps offset the cost for their two-deep leadership, and additional activities just for Provo Scouts.

Scouts must bring their own tents to stay in as part of the Provisional Program. The Camp La-No-Che Provisional Team also registers your Scout for Troop Times prior to their arrival. A list of these Troop Times, Provo Guidelines, and Frequently Asked Questions can be found at the links below, and under attachments on the Registration Page. Thank you!



**Provisional  
Scout Guidelines**



**Provisional  
Parent Guidelines**



**Provisional  
FAQ**



**Provisional  
Troop Time**



# CAMPSITE RESERVATIONS



FIRST THINGS FIRST! Winter Camp starts with reserving your campsite for your unit! Campsite reservations are now open, and a \$100 non-refundable deposit is required to reserve a campsite of your choice. To get started 3 pieces of information are needed to complete your campsite reservation.

- 1- Approximately how many youth/adults will be attending? (this is your best estimation of attendance)
- 2- What session you would like to attend? (see pg. 6)
- 3- Your campsite choice. If you have a partner troop within your charter organization and would like to share sites, please note that in campsite selection comments box. (Provo Boy = Site 16, Provo Girl = Site 10)

All campsites have the same basic features that are included in Winter Camp registration:

- Activity Shelter- Including picnic table, fans, outlets
- Bathrooms Facilities- Including sinks, individual stall toilets, individual showers, and hot water
- Other Amenities- Including campfire ring, flag pole, bear box, and trailer parking

Units then make a choice on a campsite that best fits their needs and budget. Descriptions are below.

## STANDARD: *Open Camp Site*

Open site, open space to set up troop/  
personal tent with leader room, sleeps 4  
(mattresses not provided)

***Included in  
Registration Fee***



### Sites:

2, 3, 4a, 4b, 5a, 5b, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11,  
12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23

(Hammock option in 24 & 25)  
(9 & 11 Troop for girls only)

## PREMIUM: *Adirondack Screened Cabin*

Screened in building with bunk beds,  
mattresses, fan, and electrical outlets

***\$100 per cabin***

***\$50 per leader room  
(Sleeps 4- mattresses provided)***



### Sites:

#8- 6 per cabin  
#13- 8 per cabin  
#18- 8 per cabin  
#19-10 per cabin

(each campsite has 5 cabins)

Once you have the information reserve you site here:

[SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP](https://scoutingevent.com/083-wintercamp)

*(record your registration number and create an account, save for later)*



# REGISTERING FOR CAMP

To make the registration process as easy as possible, we are providing some basic steps to help you register your unit or your Provisional Scout. Follow the steps below and registration will be a breeze!

## STEP #1- GATHER INFORMATION & DEPOSIT

- A list of Scouts and Adult Leaders who will be attending Winter Camp
  - Scout- name, age, gender, special dietary needs
  - Adult- YPT date, gender, special dietary needs
- The initial, non-refundable deposit per Scout/Adult which is \$50

**SEPTEMBER- SCOUT/ADULT REGISTRATION OPENS**

## STEP #2- SCOUT & ADULT REGISTRATION (PAY DEPOSIT)

- Visit: [SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP](https://scoutingevent.com/083-wintercamp)
  - Click the “Register” button, and select the number Scouts and Adults attending
  - Boy/Girl Units must register separately with at least 2 dedicated leaders each
  - Only register those Scouts and Adults who have committed to attending
  - Continue to complete the required information for those attending.
  - The \$50 deposit per Scout is NON-REFUNDABLE

## STEP #3- ACTIVATE PARENT PORTAL

- The “Parent Portal” is an option during registration, features include:
  - Parents complete event payments directly through the website
  - Parents select their Scouts programs and activities
- As the Unit Registration Contact, you will have full access to all registrants and parent access
  - Granting access to payments only or program selection as well

**OCT 1ST- PROGRAM/ACTIVITY REGISTRATION OPENS  
(SEE PROGRAM GUIDE AVAILABLE AUGUST 1ST)**

## STEP #4- PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES SIGN-UP

- Unit Access (Visit: [SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP](https://scoutingevent.com/083-wintercamp))
  - Enter each Scout’s registration to add programs by clicking “Select Classes”
  - Troop Time Activities can only be accessed by the Unit Registration Contact
- Parent Portal Access (for those units who chose to set-up, see Step #3)
  - See directions shared by Unit Registration Contact, scan QR code to get started

## STEP #5- TRACK PAYMENTS & ADD NEW SCOUTS

- Use the power of the registration system to track payments with the Parent Portal
- Add new Scouts to the event as they commit, with their non refundable deposit

# UNIT TIMELINE



In order to help prepare for a great experience at Winter Camp, we have listed deadlines, important milestones and suggestions to assist in the planning process.

Session A:  
December 20-23<sup>rd</sup>

Session B:  
December 27-30<sup>th</sup>

Session C:  
January 2-5<sup>th</sup>

| DATE                                  | WHAT   | LOCATION  |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| June to Aug                           | Invite the La-No-Che Promotions Team to a Troop Meeting or PLC   | Schedule via email to:<br><a href="mailto:CAMPLOCAL@CAMPLANOCHE.COM">CAMPLOCAL@CAMPLANOCHE.COM</a>  |
| August 1 <sup>st</sup>                | Reserve your campsite online!  | Unit Registration Contact Visits:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a>  |
| September                             | Scout registration begins!<br>Register Scouts who have committed to attending and pay the \$50 non-refundable deposit.<br>(allows Scouts to complete MB registration 10/1) | Unit Registration Contact Visits:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a><br>Open reservation, add Scouts<br>(activate Parent Portal, see next page for details) |
| September                             | Program Guide available for download.  | Visit:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a>   |
| October 1 <sup>st</sup>               | Sign-up for Programs and Activities  | Unit Registration Contact or Parent Visits:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a><br>Open reservation, add Programs/Activities<br>(see next page for details)  |
| November 1 <sup>st</sup>              | Application deadline for WINTER Camp Staff   | Visit:<br><a href="https://CAMPLANOCHE.COM">CAMPLANOCHE.COM</a>   |
| November 1 <sup>st</sup>              | Start preparing your Unit for their session!   | Unit Registration Contact Receives Email:<br>Communicate Update to Unit   |
| November 1 <sup>st</sup>              | Review paperwork/program materials needed for camp at Unit and Scout level   | See Program Guide or Course Catalog   |
| DEADLINE<br>November 18 <sup>th</sup> | Last chance to order Winter Camp apparel   | Unit Registration Contact or Parent Visits:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a><br>Open reservation, add apparel   |
| DEADLINE<br>30 Days<br>Before Camp    | Early registration fee due   | Unit Registration Contact or Parent Visits:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a><br>Open reservation, and pay balance   |
| DEADLINE<br>2 Weeks<br>Before Camp    | On-time registration fee due   | Unit Registration Contact or Parent Visits:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a><br>Open reservation, and pay balance   |
| 2 Weeks<br>Before Camp                | Make sure all paperwork is ready   | See Program Guide:<br>Under Programs and Activities descriptions  |
| 1 Week<br>before Camp                 | All payments due, last chance to register  | Unit Registration Contact Visits:<br><a href="https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP">SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP</a>  |
| Camp Start                            | See page 10-13 for arrival information & schedule  | Camp La-No-Che, 41991 Boy Scout Road, Paisley FL  |



# CHECK-IN & PAPERWORK

Prior to your units arrival to Camp La-No-Che your Unit Registration contact will receive a series of emails regarding your upcoming Winter Camp experience. The subject heading in the email will be:

- Early Registration Fee Balance Due
- On-Time Registration Balance Due
- Winter Camp Readiness Information
- Winter Camp Welcome

These communications will detail additional program updates, and specific information regarding our planned check-in process. This way we can have Staff and logistics in place ahead of your arrival.

## CHECK-IN BASICS

- Units Check-in near Camp Gateway:
  - Session A/B/C: Between 9-11:00AM
- Camp Tour option on arrival:
  - Unit Photo opportunity- to take home to parents
  - Program Areas- to learn of the location of merit badges
  - W.T. Bland Dining Hall- to learn of our dining hall procedures
  - \*\*\*Swim checks will be conducted when reporting to Aquatic Merit Badges
- Adult Leader Orientation Meeting (Dining Hall):
  - Session A/B/C: 1PM on Day of Arrival
- Campsite Administrative Box located at campsite on arrival
- Trading Post apparel pre-ordered awaiting your arrival in campsite

## PAPERWORK

- REQUIRED- Current Scouting America Registration Card: Digital (all youth and adults)
- REQUIRED- Annual Health & Medical Form: Parts A, B, & C (all youth/adults)
- REQUIRED- Medications in Original Bottles: As needed (all youth/adults)
- REQUIRED- Proof of Youth Protection Training: Paper or Digital (all adults)
- REQUIRED- Hold Harmless & Rider Rules/Online Cert: ATV (all youth/adults participating)
- NOT REQUIRED- [Unit Pre-Camp Swim Checks Form](#)
- NOT REQUIRED- Partial merit badges: original work or blue card evidence

All forms and waivers can be found on registration page:

[SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-SUMMERCAMP](https://scoutingevent.com/083-SUMMERCAMP)

# CAMP AT A GLANCE



This is a working draft of the Winter Camp schedule, an updated schedule will be available in our Program Guide. Meals are provided from Thursday Lunch to Sunday Lunch. A final schedule will be shared upon arrival to camp in your Passport to Adventure.

## DAY #1

| TIME           | EVENT                             | LOCATION               |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 9:00-11:00 AM  | Unit Arrival & Check In           | Camp La-No-Che         |
| 11:30-12:15 PM | Lunch                             | W.T. Bland Dining Hall |
| 12:30-2:00 PM  | Experience #3                     | Camp Wide              |
| 2:10-3:40 PM   | Experience #4                     | Camp Wide              |
| 3:50-5:20 PM   | Experience #5                     | Camp Wide              |
| 5:45 PM        | Evening Flag                      | Seneff Family Plaza    |
| 6:00-7:00 PM   | Dinner                            | W.T. Bland Dining Hall |
| 7:00-9:00 PM   | Unit Time, Meet for a Great Week! | Camp Wide              |
| 9:00-9:45 PM   | Opening Campfire                  | Council Ring           |
| 10:00 PM       | Camp Taps/Quiet Time              | Campsites              |
| 10:30 PM       | Lights Out                        | Campsites              |

## DAY #2 & #3

| TIME           | EVENT                                   | LOCATION               |
|----------------|---|------------------------|
| 7:00-7:45 AM   | Breakfast                               | W.T. Bland Dining Hall |
| 7:45 AM        | Morning Flag                            | Seneff Family Plaza    |
| 8:00-9:30 AM   | Experience #1                           | Camp Wide              |
| 9:40-11:10 AM  | Experience #2                           | Camp Wide              |
| 11:30-12:15 PM | Lunch                                   | W.T. Bland Dining Hall |
| 12:30-2:00 PM  | Experience #3                           | Camp Wide              |
| 2:10-3:40 PM   | Experience #4                           | Camp Wide              |
| 3:50-5:20 PM   | Experience #5                           | Camp Wide              |
| 5:45 PM        | Evening Flag                            | Seneff Family Plaza    |
| 6:00-6:45 PM   | Dinner                                  | W.T. Bland Dining Hall |
| 7:30-9:00 PM   | Evening Troop Time Activities/ELF Games | Camp Wide              |
| 9:00-10:00 PM  | Unit Time (Fri)                         | Campsites              |
| 10:00 PM       | Camp Taps /Quiet Time                   | Campsites              |
| 10:30 PM       | Camp Lights Out                         | Campsites              |

## DAY #4

| TIME           | EVENT         | LOCATION               |
|----------------|---------------|------------------------|
| 7:00-7:45 AM   | Breakfast     | W.T. Bland Dining Hall |
| 7:45 AM        | Morning Flag  | Seneff Family Plaza    |
| 8:00-9:30 AM   | Experience #1 | Camp Wide              |
| 9:40-11:10 AM  | Experience #2 | Camp Wide              |
| 11:30-12:15 PM | Lunch         | W.T. Bland Dining Hall |
| 12:30-2:00 PM  | Units Depart  | Camp Wide              |

### ADULT LEADER/SPL PASSPORT WINTER CAMP 2025/2026- CAMP LA-NO-CHE



#### WELCOME TO WINTER CAMP 2025/2026

We hope that your stay is enjoyable and memorable. The information needed for your experience can be found within the pages of this Passport. If you should need further assistance. Please ask the closest Staff Member, and they will do their best to assist you. Welcome home to Camp La-No-Che! We hope you have a great start to your winter vacation with us!

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

- Email: [CAMPLOCAL@CAMPLANOCHE.COM](mailto:CAMPLOCAL@CAMPLANOCHE.COM)
- Website: [CAMPLANOCHE.COM](http://CAMPLANOCHE.COM)
- Twitter: [#lanoche24](https://twitter.com/#lanoche24)
- Facebook: [Camp La-No-Che](https://www.facebook.com/Camp-La-No-Che)
- Text: [CFCEVENTS to 407-759-7390](tel:407-759-7390)
- Phone: 352-669-8558

### PASSPORT TO ADVENTURE

On your arrival to Camp La-No-Che your Winter Camp Passport will be shared with you. This document will detail everything you need for a memorable stay. Inside you will find program and activity schedules, area locations, operating hours, policies & procedures, safety & emergency information, and most of all your camp map. Two forms of the Passport will be available:

- Adult Leader/SPL Passport
- Scout Passport



# PROGRAM GUIDE & COURSE CATALOG

## OCTOBER 1ST- PROGRAM/ACTIVITY REGISTRATION OPENS

After a Scout/Leaders \$50 non-refundable deposit has been paid, programs and activities can be added to the schedule. Participants can select up to 5 programs. Some programs may be a 2x block as more time is required.

(SEE PROGRAM GUIDE AVAILABLE AUGUST 1ST)

### WHAT ARE PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES?

These are terms to accurately describe what is offered during a session at camp.

#### PROGRAMS

Multi-day experiences such as: merit badge programs or COPE, ATV, Primitive Cooking

#### ACTIVITIES

A one time experience during the event  
(previously known as Troop Time)

### ADDING PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES:

Parents can go through the “Parent Portal” to add programs. If the unit has activated it and granted access (see pg. 7 of the Leaders Guide for detailed directions)

OR

Unit Registration Contacts can log into the unit registration, then go to the attendee tab, click on the Scout’s name, then add programs & activities to the schedule for each Scout. (Activities must be added by the Unit Registration Contact)

## PROGRAM GUIDE/COURSE CATALOG

The “Program Guide” and “Course Catalog” are go live in Sept. for the Winter Camp Season. Utilize both of these tools to assist in making your selections. These tools are similar yet also different. Please read the below on how each can assist in making your selections easier, and provide you with the best information.

### COURSE CATALOG

Accessed online through the Registration Event Page. A live updated schedule of programs and activities that will show availability and times. This is updated automatically as changes are made or other units register during the registration period. Listed here are required materials and merit badge requirements that can/cannot be completed at camp listed under each program listing. Posted to the event page is also a one page PDF detailing all required materials and requirements for unit to use, and share with their Scouts.

### PROGRAM GUIDE

Available for download through [CAMPLANOCH.COM](http://CAMPLANOCH.COM). Details all program and activity offerings, includes what period each program is offered, and required materials needed for each participant. This guide also includes up to date information on the camp schedule, troop competitions, family night, campfire shows, program updates, and other upcoming events at Camp La-No-Che.

### \*\*\*ATTENTION\*\*\*

Programs and Activities are subject to change based on weather, program needs, or changes to the merit badge itself. Items listed are not guaranteed to be completed at camp. Some requirements may require outside of class time such as reports, qualifying, and/or observations.

# PROGRAM AREAS



## ADVENTURE CAMP

An Advanced Scouting Program complete with adrenaline pumping programs for Scouts that like to get fast, high, and strong. Includes programs like ATV, COPE, Climbing, Static Ropes, and 1300ft Zip-line.

## AQUATICS

Home to the Phillip Star Waterfront that sits on our 2,352 acre Lake Norris and the Brown and Brown Aquatics Center home to 2 swimming pools that features a 70 ft water slide and 12 ft deep well, and sand-pit volleyball court.

## ECOLOGY

The Kenn Drupiewski Ecology Lodge is our home base to the southern edge of the Ocala National Forest. Experience nature first hand while not sitting in a classroom and learn about the diverse environment at Camp La-No-Che. The Ecology Lodge is full of bones, shells, specimens, and skins and will keep your Scouts coming back for more.

## HOBBIES, SKILLS, STEM

The Hobbies, Skills and STEM area encourages Scouts to explore new hobbies, practice their skills, and innovate in STEM. Located in the Rotary Lodge and heart of camp this place is pretty “cool”. Passion and imagination collide all winter long for Scouts who call Hobbies, Skills, and STEM home.

## HANDI-HEALTH CRAFT

The Handi-Craft Pavilion is home to this area this winter. Only appearing during the Winter Camp Season these merit badges offer additional program opportunities not normally seen at Camp La-No-Che. If you have Scouts looking to expand their knowledge on health, safety, and handi-crafts this is the area to check-out this season!





# PROGRAM AREAS

## LEADERSHIP

Back and better than before, our Leadership area assists Scouts in their completion of Eagle Required Merit Badges. This area will be featured at both Winter Camp and Summer Camp moving forward, with rotating list of merit badges. Staffed with dedicated counselors, who welcome additional help throughout the session from unit leaders passionate about their Scouts and their journey in Scouting!

## OUTDOOR SKILLS

When you think of Scoutings fundamentals, you're probably thinking of offerings in this area! We help Scouts enhance those basic skills to be successful in the outdoors, while being prepared to act and take care of others no matter the emergency. Scouts always find success if they put in the time and effort with merit badges taken here.

## TARGET SPORTS

Patience, self control, and being trustworthy are all tenets of this program area. These adventures are located on our Target Sports Trail with many programs and activities to explore. Our basic programs like Archery, Rifle, and Shotgun Shooting can be a real blast!

## TRAILBLAZER

A place to jump start your basic Scouting skills required for Scout, Tenderfoot, Second, and First Class ranks. Using the patrol method, Scouts are introduced to the fundamentals of being a Scout BSA member, and will leave camp with more knowledge of the fundamentals of the Scouting program.



# LEADER EXPERIENCE



Camp La-No-Che offers many programs and activities for adults because let's face it, camp is a vacation from your normal everyday life. In all seriousness we understand the sacrifice every adult makes to be at camp with their Scouts. You are taking vacation time away from your family, and time away from your careers. We want to do all that we can to help make your stay enjoyable. Below are some items put in place for your own experience at a camp whether you are at camp to enjoy yourself, or are keeping tabs on the office when supporting your Scouts.

## PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

There are different experiences available to adults throughout the session. Below is a list of our current offerings for this upcoming winter. Keep in mind, there may be changes to this list when registration goes live on Oct. 1st. We encourage you to register on arrival in our front office to participate for those marked, some reach capacity quickly (a complete list will be published in the Program Guide). The Adult Leader Merit Badge returns, stay involved and visit all areas of camp to earn this coveted camp patch.

Archery Shoot  
Dutch Oven Cooking  
Shotgun Shoot\*\*

ATV/Adventure Experience\*\*  
Night Owl: Camp Security  
Trail Hikes

Campsite Inspection Team  
Rifle Shoot  
Wood Working/Pen Turning

(\*\*denotes programs that need to be registered for on arrival, see office)

## ADULT LEADER LOUNGE

We are proud to offer our air conditioned environment as a place for adults to relax, use our Wi-fi, or play a game of cards. Be sure to pack your laptop or tablet! Our new Adult Leader Lounge is located near the Camp Office for adults to enjoy. This space offers a quiet workspace to conduct a conference call or work quietly without interruptions. The dining hall remains an additional option that offers space to spread out and keep up with the office.



## ANNUAL ADULT WINTER CAMP DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF "PANCAKES"

Time to throw down the cooking gauntlet and take home some unit prestige at Winter Camp! At our first Adult Leader/Camp Admin Coffee our secret ingredient will be shared with units participating. Unit leaders will gather later in the session to begin their work on their creations, and judge tastings will take place later in the week.

## LEADER/CAMP ADMIN COFFEE

All leaders are invited to catch up with the Camp/Program Director over coffee each morning after flag. The W.T. Bland Dining Hall is home to our first session, but the location may change throughout the session. Please consult your SPL/Adult Leader Passport on arrival. This morning session provides an opportunity for input about your troop's Winter Camp experience at Camp La-No-Che. Program updates and reminders may also be shared. We kindly request at least one leader join us in attendance at this meeting each morning. COFFEE PROVIDED ☺



# LEADER INFORMATION

During a session at winter camp, Scouts will have many different opportunities for memorable experiences. As Camp Staff, we will do our best to provide the best possible environment for unparalleled experiences. As a Unit Leader, there are things that you can do and that are expected of you to make it a great session for everyone!

## UNIT LEADER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Complete the reservation and registration process for camp.
- Provide guidelines to your unit for good Scouting behavior while at camp.
- Review the Program Guide with your Scouts, enabling them to effectively schedule their experiences.
- Review each Scout's planned program to ensure that they are not reaching beyond their capabilities. (this minimizes the possibility of a disappointing experience)
- Review with your Scouts any paperwork, supplies, or clothing required for their programs.
- Review any requirements not completed at camp with them so they are aware of them.
- Monitor each Scout's daily progress at camp and provide support as needed.
- Stress the importance of drinking plenty of water while at camp (avoids missing out on experiences)
- Ensure each Scout brings a water bottle or hydration device to use during camp.
- Ensure Scouts are following the buddy system - at least two Scouts traveling together.
- Communicate with the Program Director or Camp Director as soon as possible should a problem arise. (between Scouts and/or any Staff Member)
- Verify the unit's advancements for any discrepancies and resolve them with the Program Director.
- Provide feedback regarding the program and Staff prior to the end of your winter camp experience.
- Complete a Winter Camp Evaluation prior to your departure from camp.
- Complete an electronic survey after camp with your Scouts following a troop meeting.

### HOMESICKNESS

Many Scouts are susceptible to homesickness. Youth and adult leaders need to be alert for symptoms. Keep your Scouts engaged in activities at camp and your unit. Discourage phone calls home as this often worsens the problem.

If your families are participating in Family Night, use this as a tool to keep them from phoning home. In extreme circumstances, consider phoning home privately. You want to use the family to encourage a resolution, not make the problem worse. Staff members, the camp Commissioner, or other unit leaders are available for support and encouragement.

### DISCIPLINE

For supervision to be effective, there must be discipline. It is the responsibility of unit leaders to maintain the discipline of their Scouts.

Leaders are expected to intervene in situations where campers pose a threat to themselves or others. Discipline of other campers should be deferred to their unit leadership. All discipline should follow Youth Protection Guidelines.

Please advise Camp Staff regarding any inter-troop conflict so documentation can be made, and appropriate parties can be contacted. Safety is the priority of all adult leaders.

# PARENT INFORMATION



Your Scouts will be attending a multi-night experience with other Scouts and Troops from across the country, and possibly from other parts of the world. This session will be one they are going to remember for a very long time. We have gathered some tips and advice here for you, the parents to help ensure they have a great time during the session. Please read this page carefully and be sure you are ready, so you can help them prepare!

## MONEY AND VALUABLES AT CAMP

We recommend that you send your Scout with a locking footlocker so they can secure any valuables they bring with them, or they purchase while at camp. We highly recommend that your Scout bring as few valuables as possible. As for money, a good idea is to divide the session's money into multiple day envelopes and give those to the Leader to secure until that day. This prevents your Scout from walking around and potentially losing their session's worth of money all at once. Camp La-No-Che is not responsible for personal property/money brought to camp.

## COMMUNICATION

Camp La-No-Che has cell phone reception. Camp La-No-Che receives excellent service from Verizon Wireless and slightly less from AT&T, while T-Mobile service is extremely limited. Please plan accordingly as it is possible that your Scout may not have cell phone communication. To stay in touch with your Scout, be sure to talk with your unit leaders before camp to find out what their protocol is for communication during camp. Some units have policies of only communicating at certain times. These policies are often in place to help prevent homesickness. Please do your best to be respectful of your unit leader's plan for communication.

Scouts can receive care packages and letters at camp (please allow 5 days minimum for shipping). Please include:

Scouts Name  
PROVO or Unit Number  
Session #

Camp La-No-Che  
41991 Boy Scout Road  
Paisley, FL 32767

## MERIT BADGES AND ADVANCEMENT AT CAMP

While attending camp, each Scout will receive credit for requirements completed for merit badges. It is possible that due to weather/program changes, not all planned requirements can be accomplished during camp. There is no guarantee that a Scout will complete any merit badges while at camp. Each Scout is given the resources and assistance to work towards this goal. It is up to each Scout to properly complete the requirements offered. A records of the requirements completed will be available for download through the registration system at the conclusion of camp. Unit level leadership then has the responsibility to upload as needed.



# TRADING POST & DINING HALL

## JACK JENNINGS TRADING POST

The Trading Post and Concession comes fully-stocked with everything you and your Scouts may need while away at camp. Be sure to stop by and stock up on La-No-Che gear! **EXCLUSIVE TO CAMP LA-NO-CHE**

## TRADING POST: T-SHIRT/HAT PRE-ORDER

Camp La-No-Che offers online ordering for apparel for Winter Camp. Starting in October your Unit, Scout and Family can visit the below website to place a Online Trading Post order. Several styles and options are available including: t-shirts, long sleeve and hoodies. Make sure to purchase your swag before the deadline. Orders must be placed by no later than November 18th.

**MORE INFORMATION COMING:**

**OCTOBER 1ST**

**DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 18TH**

## **MISS THE ONLINE TRADING POST DEADLINE?**

Didn't pre-order a Winter Camp 25/26 T-shirt? Our Camp Trading Post will stock several varieties and options of Camp La-No-Che swag. **Unfortunately the above shirt is only available as a pre-order. Please plan accordingly.**

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## W.T. BLAND DINING HALL

The W.T. Bland Dining Hall is the center piece of fellowship and sustenance while visiting Camp La-No-Che. Located in the center of Dr. Philips Park it serves as a multi use facility throughout your stay at camp. Not only does it serve 3 meals everyday throughout the session to all youth and adult participants, but it is also home to trainings, meetings, and entertainment throughout the session. The Dining Hall also serves as our main camp shelter in case of serious emergencies, and for program areas to continue delivering their quality programs.

## FOOD ALLERGIES & MEDICAL DIETARY NEEDS

If during your stay you or someone in your troop requires a special diet that is prescribed by a physician and documented on the Annual Health and Medical Form, please take the following steps. During registration have the Unit Registration Contact or Parent (if granted access through Parent Portal) list the needs of the participant under the individual registrant comments section. This information will be printed and shared with our Dining Hall Staff in preparation of you visit. Procedures on how to request the personalized meal will be gone over at check-in during the camp tour. Camp Staff will do our very best to assist you in your dietary needs during your stay at camp.

# COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY



## COMPUTERS/TABLETS

Unlike other camps, we welcome the use of technology at Camp La-No-Che! Scouts and Leaders are encouraged to post to social media about their amazing Winter Camp experiences on the Camp La- No-Che Facebook page, or by sharing photos on Instagram and Twitter to the hashtag #campLNC25

## CELL PHONE SERVICE

Camp La-No-Che has cell phone reception. Camp La-No-Che receives excellent service from Verizon Wireless and slightly less from AT&T, while T-Mobile service is extremely limited. Please plan accordingly as it is possible that your Scout may not have cell phone communication.

## WI-FI

We are extremely fortunate to have wireless internet available throughout Dr. Philips Park (the main hub of camp). Staff are encouraged to use this service to supplement in-class teaching or even video call with industry experts!

Adult Leaders can utilize the Wi-Fi at any location in Dr. Philips Park by connecting to the network. The password will be distributed at the first Adult Leader Meeting. If you need a space to get some work done while away at camp the New Adult Leader Lounge located near the Camp Office offers a quiet workspace to conduct a conference call or work quietly without interruptions.

The Dining Hall also doubles as a space to spread out and keep up with the office during the session. We encourage you to get creative! Some popular place to work outside are the: dining hall front porch, camp gazebo, trading post porch, and anywhere in between.

# LA-NO-CHE 411

*Keep up to date with Camp La-No-Che throughout the year and during your session of camp!  
You can see what's happening at camp and stay informed throughout your stay!*

[FB.COM/CAMPLANOCHE](https://www.facebook.com/camplanoche)

[TWITTER.COM/CAMPLANOCHE](https://twitter.com/camplanoche)

[INSTAGRAM.COM/CAMPLANOCHE](https://www.instagram.com/camplanoche)

[CAMPLANOCHE.COM](https://www.camplanoche.com)



# EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

## CAMP WIDE EMERGENCY ALARM PROCEDURES

In the event there is a camp wide emergency, a constant wailing (air raid) siren will sound. If you hear this siren, please proceed to the Seneff Family Flag Pole, line up with your unit, take roll call, have your SPL report to the Camp Commissioner that your unit is accounted for, and wait for further instructions from Camp Staff. Everyone, all youth and adults must report to the flag pole during a camp wide emergency alarm unless instructed otherwise by Camp Staff. The entire camp will have an opportunity to practice these procedures within 24 hours of arrival.

## CAMP LIGHTNING ALERT PROCEDURES

Florida is the lightning capital of the world and represents a hazard that all should be made keenly aware. This plan has been developed for the use of Scouts, Adult Leaders, and Camp Staff while camping and/or participating in programs and activities.

In the event inclement weather is forecasted, our Camp Admin Team will monitor any approaching storms and will notify all Program Staff to assist campers to seek appropriate shelter when necessary. If necessary camp vehicles will be dispatched to campsites to notify units of impending storms and appropriate action

The following is the responsibility of all Scouts, Adult Leaders and Staff at Camp La-No-Che. When lightning is eminent, appropriate shelter is any building that has 4 walls (and when possible restroom access). Campsite activity shelters are safe shelters. PROGRAM PAVILIONS ARE NOT SAFE SHELTERS. When notified, please ensure that everyone in your group goes to one of the nearest building as instructed by staff and stays there until given all clear.

- W.T. Bland Dining Hall
- Campsite Shelter

## HEALTH LODGE & FIRST AID PROCEDURES

The AdventHealth Lodge is staffed by a qualified Resident Health Officer who is trained and prepared to treat basic first aid and illnesses at all times (but may not be a medical doctor). In the event of a serious emergency, please call 9-1-1 prior to notifying Camp La-No-Che Management and the Health Officer. When visiting the Health Lodge, please enter the front door or use the radio/intercom to ask for assistance. Any youth under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult (the Central Florida Council does not provide sickness and accident insurance for out of council units).

# WINTER CAMP TEAM



## **CAMP STAFF**

The boots on the ground during Winter Camp operations, and those who interface the most with our campers. This dedicated group of individuals make a commitment every winter to bring their passion and energy to Camp La-No-Che and provide an unparalleled experience for our Scouts. Made up of mostly 14-17 year old Scouts, representing the best of what Scouting has to offer in the area of leadership and service. They are here for you!

## **HEALTH OFFICER**

The AdventHealth Lodge is located in the center of Dr. Phillips Park and is staffed by a qualified Resident Health Officer who is trained and prepared to treat basic first aid and illnesses at all times (but may not be a medical doctor). Please assist us in making sure you stay safe throughout your stay with bringing the basics a Annual Health & Medical Form and medications if required.

## **QUARTERMASTER**

The Bob Bunnell Quartermaster is your location for your camp basic essentials, and is located to your left hand side as your approach the Camp La-No-Che Gateway. Home to items like coffee, ice, toilet paper, soap, and yard tools your unit is bound to visit here at least 2-3 times throughout your stay. This area also serves as one of the ways to report campsite facility needs. Hours are posted in your SPL/Adult Leader Passport shared at arrival.

## **CAMPMASTERS**

The logistic champions of Camp La-No-Che and often times a completely voluntary workforce. This outstanding group has a passion for camp, and has a tradition of going above and beyond to make sure your stay is enjoyable. Often times you will find them making drop-offs to areas, assisting with check-in, or assisting in emergencies.

## **CAMP RANGERS**

A group that can be found everywhere and is on call no matter how big or small the problem. Camp is there backyard and their expertise and dedication is greatly appreciated. This group works alongside our Program Team ensuring facilities requests are addressed, and camp continues to operate for our campers week after week.

## **CAMP COMMISSIONER**

A team that is dedicated to customer service and enhancing your units experience while at camp. There calling is to be one step ahead of your units needs and exceed your expectations. The Camp Commissioner also steps in when the need arises to settler inter-troop conflicts, and assists with the camp emergency action plan.

## **CAMP PROGRAM TEAM**

The camp operation specialists and those responsible for creating and executing the plan for Winter Camp. Any administrative or program needs or questions rests in this groups capable hands. Visible throughout camp, but their primary nerve center runs through our Camp Office. If you need help, and don't know who to call, please contact the Camp Office and we will assist you in making your stay one to remember!



# RECORDS & CHECK-OUT

## RECORDS

Throughout Winter Camp our Staff will track the progress and attendance of Scouts attending programs daily. As the Unit Registration Contact or parent with Parent Portal access you can see daily updates on progress made. On Friday evenings following program Area Directors hold a “Merit Badge Question and Answer Session” with interested leaders. This is an opportunity when questions or potential discrepancies related to merit badges can be investigated prior to your unit leaving camp on Saturday. This is recommended as all STAFF are still on camp.

During your stay and after camp there are many reports you can access through your [SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP](https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP) Registration. Unit Leaders can keep track of what your Scouts are accomplishing daily, print blue cards after camp, and even download a report for your Unit Advancement Chair to update Scoutbook or Troopmaster!

### DIRECTIONS

- Visit [SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP](https://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/083-WINTERCAMP) and sign into your registration
- Look towards the top of the screen for the “Reports” button
- Use the Advancement Detail Report to track what is being done at camp
- Use the Blue Card Reports to print out copies of blue cards after camp
- To send your Advancement Chair reports for upload use:
  - Scoutbook Export *(reports are only available if your registration is paid in full)*
  - Troopmaster Export

## CHECK-OUT

A final meal will be served at the Dining Hall before departure. Immediately following check-out begins (if your unit requires early check-out, please contact the Camp Office during your stay)

To check-out and receive your event patches the following steps must be taken:

- Ensure your campsite is cleared of all gear
- Clean out the tents, activity shelter, bear boxes and restrooms
- Turn in any items you checked out from the Quartermaster
- Perform a trash sweep through your site, with your unit

Remember that another unit will be using the campsite after you have left, so please be courteous to your fellow Scouts and leave the campsite better than you found it, “A Scout is Courteous”. After you have completed these above tasks your unit should complete the following:

- Leave 1-2 leaders in the campsite for final inspection
- Have your unit load up or walk to the Quartermaster for one final look at lost belongings
- Send two Scouts to Camp Office to request a check-out inspection (you will be placed in a queue)
- After your inspection your leadership will be dismissed with your event patches
- Please have them meet your unit, and embark on a safe journey home

# SAFETY & WELL-BEING



## YOUTH PROTECTION

Camp La-No-Che strictly adheres to the Youth Protection policies set fourth by Scouting America. If you ever suspect any form of abuse immediately alert Camp La-No-Che Management. Failure to report potential abuse is allowing potential abuse to occur/continue.

## MENTAL, EMOTIONAL & SOCIAL HEALTH (MESH)

Camp La-No-Che maintains a comprehensive and growing support network to assist in responding to staff and camper mental, emotional, and social health (MESH) needs. In order to seek help and access this support team please contact our Camp Health Office, Camp Director, Program Director or Camp Commissioner. Our Advent Health Lodge maintains an isolation room with various sensory items that can be accessed on an as needed basis by this visiting camp for a short-term or long-term camping event. If you are in an emergency or life-threatening situation please immediately call 911.

## TWO-DEEP LEADERSHIP

Two registered Leaders (21 years of age or over) are required at all times while at camp. There must be a registered female Leader (21 years of age or over) in every unit serving females. All adults accompanying a Scouting unit overnight at camp must be registered Adult Member of the Scouting America.

## RESPECT OF PRIVACY

Adult leaders must respect the privacy of youth members in situations such as changing clothes and taking showers at camp, they are only to intrude when health and safety requires. Adults must protect their own privacy in similar situations.

## RULES

- One fire is permitted per campsite in the fire ring. Do not use pine cones, pine needles, spanish moss, kerosene, or gasoline in the fire. While burning, the fire must be attended at all times. Before leaving the fire, water must be used until the fire is completely out and the ashes are cool.
- Cooking must be done at least twenty feet away from tents and buildings. Propane and liquid fuels may only be used under supervision of adults. No gasoline is to be used. Fuel is to be stored away from tents & buildings.
- Since animals can lift lids & open simple latches, food should be stored in the bear box provided in campsite.
- Stick, roll-on, or pump insect repellent and deodorant is preferred, and aerosol should be avoided if possible. If aerosol of any kind must be used, it must be used outside of tents and under adult supervision.
- Closed shoes must be worn at all times. The only exception is that flip flops, aqua socks, or sandals may be worn in the campsite when going to the shower or after arriving at the lake front.
- No flames or fires of any kind are permitted in tents.
- Riding on the tailgate of a car or in the back of a pickup truck is prohibited.
- All vehicles must be parked in the Main Camp parking lot.
- Extension cords may be used only inside buildings.
- Camouflage is highly discouraged at Camp La-No-Che.
- Use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances are not permitted. Any individual or group violating this rule must leave the facility.
- No fireworks or privately owned firearms are permitted on council-owned property.
- All bicycle riders must wear safety helmets.
- As part of the Youth Protection and camp identification policies all Scouts and Scouters that are staying must have an wristband at all times. If your wristband is lost you must replace it at the Camp Office.



# POLICIES

## **MERIT BADGE COMPLETION POLICY**

While attending camp, each Scout will receive credit for requirements completed for merit badges. It is possible that due to weather/program changes, not all planned requirements can be accomplished during camp. There is no guarantee that a Scout will complete any merit badges while at camp. Each Scout is given the resources and assistance to work towards this goal. It is up to each Scout to properly complete the requirements offered.

## **VALUABLES POLICY**

The Leonard and Marjorie Williams Family Scout Reservation/Camp La-No-Che Management and Staff will not be responsible for camper or troop valuables while in camp. Use these tips to avoid any losses while at camp:

- Advise your Scouts to bring as few valuables as possible and encourage Scouts to use locked trunks
- Do not carry large amounts of money around camp
- The unit leadership should bring a lock box with them for unit use
- Never leave a Scout alone at the campsite
- Advise your Scouts not to walk through another unit's campsite

## **VEHICLE POLICY**

To protect our camp and all Scouters, we ask that all vehicles be parked in the Main Parking Lot. Vehicles will be allowed to transport gear to and from campsites on Camp Days 1 and 6. Troops will be permitted to park their equipment trailer in their campsite along with one vehicle per unit. All equipment trailers must be disconnected from the tow vehicle and the trailer's hitch must be flagged for safety.

## **GOLF CART/UTV/ATV POLICY**

Camp La-No-Che golf carts and UTVs are utilized around camp. These machines are only operated by trained and approved Camp Staff for program duties. Personal golf carts and UTVs are not allowed unless prior approval is granted. An online course is mandatory, and must be completed before arrival to camp ([ROHVA.ORG/](http://ROHVA.ORG/)). A Golf Cart and UTV Policy acknowledgment form must also be on file in the Camp Office. (Scouting America strictly prohibits the use of ATVs unless they are Council-owned and used for the ATV Safety Program)

## **UNIFORM POLICY**

During the day, Scouts and Scouters are allowed to wear their Activity Uniform. If shirts are worn not affiliated with Scouting America, they may not contain any content that is suggestive or against the mission of Scouting America. However, all participants must wear closed-toe shoes at all times. The only exception is that flip flops, aqua socks, or sandals may be worn in the campsite when going to the shower or after arriving at the lake front. It is required to wear the Field Uniform (Class A) for evening dinner.

## **LEAVE NO TRACE POLICY**

While at Camp La-No-Che, all Units and Scouts should abide by the principles of Leave No Trace. Please make every effort to maintain the camp's appearance. Please remember that Scouts are neat and clean.

## **SCOUTING AMERICA'S AMERICA SMOKE FREE POLICY**

Boy Scouts of America policy is to provide a smoke-free environment for all Scouting participants. Therefore, smoking is not allowed at La-No-Che in the presence of youth or in buildings. You may smoke only in the designated adult break area behind the Trading Post.

## **HAMMOCK POLICY**

We encourage Scouts to bring their hammocks to Camp, but we ask that all follow the Safe Hammocking Guidelines! Camp La-No-Che also requires the use of "tree straps".

1. Hammocks must be hung in secure locations (no buildings or shelters)
2. Never stack hammocks above each other.
3. The lowest point of a hammock must not be more than 3 feet above the ground.

## **REFUND POLICY**

All deposits paid, either for campsite or participant are non-refundable deposits. To request a refund of other monies paid, you must submit a refund request form and meet the criteria listed in order to receive a potential refund. Please see the event registration page for a link to form and criteria.

# UPDATES TO SCOUTING'S BARRIERS TO ABUSE (EFFECTIVE 9/1/24)



Scouting America has adopted the following policies for the safety and well-being of its members. These policies primarily protect youth members; however, they also serve to protect adult leaders. All parents and caregivers should understand that our leaders are to abide by these safeguards. Parents and youth are strongly encouraged to use these safeguards outside the Scouting program. Registered leaders must follow these guidelines with all Scouting youth outside of Scouting activities.

## REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

The chartered organization representative, or in their absence the executive officer of the chartered organization, must approve the registration of the unit's adult leaders. Registration Includes:

- Completion of application including criminal background check and mandatory Youth Protection training
- Volunteer Screening Database check

Current Youth Protection training is required for leaders when renewing their registration or at unit charter renewal. Adult program participants must register as adults and follow Youth Protection policies.

## ADULT SUPERVISION

Two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required at all Scouting activities, including all meetings. There must be a registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth or female adult program participants.

Notwithstanding the minimum leader requirements, age and program-appropriate supervision must always be provided.

All adults staying overnight in connection with a Scouting activity must be currently registered as an adult volunteer or an adult program participant. Adult volunteers must register in the position(s) they are serving in. Registration as a merit badge counselor position does not meet this requirement. See [FAQ](#) for list of approved adult registration fee required positions.

### **One-on-one contact between adult leaders and youth members is prohibited both inside and outside of Scouting.**

- Situations requiring a personal conference, the meeting is to be conducted with the knowledge & in view of other adults/youth
- Private online communications (texting, phone calls, chat, IM, etc.) must include another registered leader or parent.
- Communication by way of social media (Facebook, Snapchat, etc.) must include another registered leader or parent.

### **Discipline must be constructive.**

- Discipline must reflect Scouting's values.
- Corporal punishment is never permitted.
- Disciplinary activities involving isolation, humiliation, or ridicule are also prohibited.

[Adult Supervision: Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQs](#)

## RESPONSIBILITY

Leaders must ensure that all participating in Scouting activities abide by the Scout Oath & Scout Law. Adult leaders & youth members share the responsibility for the safety of all participants in the program, including adherence to Youth Protection & health & safety policies.

- Adult leaders are responsible for monitoring behavior and intervening when necessary.
- Physical violence, sexual activity, emotional abuse, spiritual abuse, unauthorized weapons, hazing, discrimination, harassment, initiation rites, bullying, cyberbullying, theft, verbal insults, drugs, alcohol, and pornography have no place in the Scouting program and may result in revocation of membership.
- All leaders are required to adhere to the Scouter Code of Conduct.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Separate accommodations for adult males and females and youth males and females are required.

### **Tenting**

- Separate tenting arrangements must be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth.
- Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age.



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- In Cub Scouting, parents and guardians may share a tent with their family.
- In all other programs, youth and adults tent separately.
- Spouses may share tents.

## Lodging/Cabin Accommodations

Whenever possible, separate cabins or lodging should be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. Where separate accommodations cannot be provided due to group size or limited availability, modifications may be made. Where completely separate accommodations are not available, additional supervision is required.

- If adults and youth of the same gender occupy single-room accommodations, there must be a minimum of two adults and four youth, with all adults being Youth Protection trained.
- Physical separation by other means, including temporary barriers or space, should be used only when no other arrangements are possible.

## Restrooms

Separate shower and latrine facilities should be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. If separate facilities are not available, separate times should be scheduled and posted. Privacy of youth is respected:

- Adults and youth must respect each other's privacy, especially in situations such as changing clothes and taking showers at camp.
- Adult leaders should closely monitor these areas but only enter as needed for youth protection or health and safety reasons.

[Accommodations: Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQs](#)

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- The buddy system should be used.
- The use of smartphones, cameras, mirrors, drones, etc., in places or situations where privacy is expected is prohibited.
- All aspects of the Scouting program are open to observation by parents and leaders.
- Scouting America does not recognize any secret organizations as part of its program.
- Hazing and initiations are prohibited and have no part during any Scouting activity.
- All forms of bullying and harassment including verbal, physical, and cyberbullying are prohibited.
- Inappropriate public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Sexual activity is prohibited.
- Appropriate attire is required for all activities.

[Program Requirements: Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQs](#)

## REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Adult leaders and youth members have a responsibility to recognize, respond to, and report Youth Protection violations and abuse.

### Reporting

#### Youth Protection Policy Violations

- Serious Youth Protection policy violations or behaviors that put a youth's safety at risk must be reported to the Scout executive.
- Online reporting is also available at [Incident Reporting](#).

#### Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse

- All persons participating in Scouting programs are mandated reporters of child abuse.
- Reports must be made to local law enforcement and child protective services. State law may require additional reporting.
- This reporting duty cannot be delegated to any other person.
- Reporting to the Scout executive or Scouts First Helpline ensures that follow-up can occur for the safety of our youth. Scout executives and Scouts First coordinate follow-up actions.

#### Scouts First Helpline

- As part of its "Scouts First" approach to the protection and safety of youth, Scouting has established a dedicated 24-hour helpline to receive reports of known or suspected abuse or behavior that might put a youth at risk. **1-844-SCOUTS1 (1-844-726-8871)**
- If immediate assistance is needed in the handling of a sexual abuse allegation, contact Scouts First Helpline (**1-844-SCOUTS1**).
- If someone is at immediate risk of harm, always call **911**.



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## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### Accommodation

The older youth Scouting America programs (Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Exploring) encourage leadership development, growth, and independence by recommending that youth share accommodations with other youth (must be the same gender per Barriers to Abuse). However, we also recognize that exceptional circumstances may warrant a parent or legal guardian sharing accommodations with their same-gender\* child if the parent/legal guardian meets all leader registration requirements.

Youth siblings of the same gender may share sleeping accommodations regardless of age with permission from their parents or legal guardians.

Campsites must be arranged to separate genders adequately. This separation could be achieved through natural barriers, physical distance, or by the campsite being divided, so long as the separation achieves privacy for both adults and youth, as well as by gender. Adult leaders are responsible for establishing the barriers and reminding Scouts that members of one gender must not enter the tent/housing of another.

### The Buddy System

The buddy system is designed to provide an additional layer of safeguarding by ensuring no youth member/participant is alone and that a buddy can get help in an emergency.

The buddy system is used whenever members/participants are outside the line of sight of qualified adult leadership and specific activities where the buddy system is required for participation. Of note:

- The adult unit leadership oversees and approves buddies.
- Buddies are two and can also be three to prevent members or participants from being alone.
- If the original pair for a buddy group is mixed gender, a third youth/participant must be added (for a buddy group of 3).
- Youth siblings of the same gender may serve as buddies regardless of age with permission from their parents or legal guardians.
- Except for siblings, it is recommended that the age gap between buddies be at most three years for all non-sleeping activities but must be no more than two years for all tenting.
- When exceptional circumstances warrant, a parent or legal guardian may serve as a buddy for their child's Scouting activities, but youth buddies meeting the above criteria, if available, are always preferred.

### Participation by Parents and Legal Guardians

Parents and legal guardians are encouraged to participate in Scouting activities with their children. However, to meet youth protection policies, some participation—including all overnight activities\*—requires the parent or legal guardian to be a registered adult in their child's unit.      \*Special needs remain unchanged.      \*See and note the Cub Scout Exception

## SCOUTING'S BARRIERS TO ABUSE INFORMATION

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### HOW DOES THIS EFFECT SCOUTS BSA LEVEL CAMPING MOVING FORWARD (at Camp La-No-Che)?

- When registering for a Scouting Event each unit must have 2 registered adult leaders attend from their unit.
- Scouts BSA Units from the same Charter Org MUST have 2 separate leaders attending from each unit
- Scouts BSA Units for Girls must have one of these Unit Leaders be female
- Scouting units from the same Charter Org, must register for camp separately (under 2 registrations) to ensure leader requirements are met, and that campsites are assigned accurately.
- If a Scout is attending camp without 2-unit leaders and Provisional Camping is an option the Scout will be placed in this unit (which may have an additional fee).
- If a group of Scouts is attending from the same unit in our Provisional Troop, single leaders or parents cannot attend camp with their Scout as a leader or provide supervision.

