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WEBELOS WOODS



Welcome to Webelos Woods 2026

Dear Webelos, Arrow of Light Scouts, Families, and Scout Leaders,

Welcome to Webelos Woods 2026!

Webelos Woods is a weekend where Webelos and Arrow of Light scouts get the opportunity to test run Troop life along side youth-led Troops.

This year's adventure takes us to a world of islands, exploration, and teamwork. Throughout the weekend, Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts will have the opportunity to experience the excitement of Scouts BSA while learning outdoor skills, meeting local troops, and participating in hands-on activities designed just for them.

As a special bonus, Webelos Woods will be held alongside our district's annual Camporee. Throughout the weekend, Scouts will witness older youth putting their skills to the test. It is a unique opportunity to see the adventure, teamwork, leadership, and fun that await them as they continue their Scouting journey.

Webelos Woods is designed to bridge the gap between Cub Scouting and Scouts BSA. Along the way, Scouts will:

- Learn outdoor and camping skills.
- Meet Scouts from area troops.
- Experience youth-led activities.
- Explore what life in a Scouts BSA troop is really like.
- Build confidence, friendships, and excitement for future adventures.

Whether this is your first overnight camping experience or you are already counting the days until you cross over into Scouts BSA, we hope this weekend inspires you to continue your Scouting adventure.

Thank you to the Scouts BSA troops, Venturing crews, Arrow men, volunteers, and leaders who have dedicated their time to making this event possible. Their enthusiasm and commitment help create memories that will last a lifetime.

Prepare for adventure, bring your Scout spirit, and get ready to discover where the journey may lead!

"Every great voyage begins by pushing away from shore."

Yours in Scouting,

Karl Diaz

Webelos Woods Chair
Eagle Empire District
Scouting America

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Event Details

Event Overview

Event: Webelos Woods 2026

Hosted By: Eagle Empire District, Scouting America

Location: Camp La No Che

Dates: November 20th – 22nd

Check-In Begins: November 20th @ 4:00pm

Opening Ceremony: November 21st @ 9:00am

Program Begins: November 21st @ 9:30am

Campfire: November 21st @ 8:30pm

Checkout/Departure: November 22nd @ 11:00am

Event Objective

Youth-led whenever possible, learn by doing. Adults should encourage independence while families get to explore the various Troops and their methods. All Troops are not the same. No Aggressive recruiting.

For Webelos and AoLs

- Experience Scouts BSA
- Have Fun
- Meet Troops
- Learn Outdoor Skills

For Troops

- Practice youth leadership
- Teach younger scouts
- Represent Scouting
- Inspire future members

For Adults

- Step Back
- Let youth lead
- Encourage independence
- Seek new roles and training

Registration Information

Registration Deadline: November 12th 11:59pm

Registration Fee: ***FREE*** per participant [***This is part of your District Program Fee!***]

Registration includes:

- Event participation
- Program materials
- An Epic Campfire program
- Patch

Late registrations may be subject to additional fees and cannot be guaranteed event materials.

Check-In Procedures

Check-in will be located at either on road upon arrival or at site 1 Harper

Units should arrive together whenever possible.

Please have:

- Unit roster
- Medical forms
- Any outstanding paperwork

Upon check-in, units will receive:

- Campsite assignment [Received in Parking Lot and Via Email Thursday Before]
- Event schedule
- Camp map
- Wristbands or identification materials

Expectations

Leaders are expected to:

• Maintain 2 deep leadership. • Keep Dens together • Arrive at stations on time • Encourage scouts to participate	• Handle discipline issues within their own unit • Ensure Leave No Trace
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Parking

For the safety of all participants:

- Follow parking staff directions at all times.
- Vehicles are only permitted in designated parking areas.
- No vehicles may remain in campsites unless **authorized by event staff**.
- **Unload gear promptly and move vehicles to the designated parking lot.**

Event Schedule

This is a general overview, a detailed schedule will be handed out at check in.

Activity	Time
Check-In Opens	4:00 PM Friday
Leaders Meeting	9:00 PM Friday
Opening Gathering	9:00 AM Saturday
Program Activities	9:30 AM Saturday
Campfire Program	8:30 PM Saturday
Closing Ceremony	9:00 AM Sunday
Departure	11:00 AM Sunday

Leaders Meeting will give most recent updates and event information. We can also answer any last-minute questions.

Opening Gathering is call out, program introductions, opening Flag ceremony

Campfire Program is Songs, Skits and Stories

Closing Ceremony is Recognitions, closing details, lost and found and Closing Flag

Maps



Safety

Medical Forms

All participants—youth and adults—must have a completed current Scouting America Annual Health and Medical Record as required by council policy.

Forms should remain with unit leadership and be available upon request.

Buddy system

The buddy system is one of the most important safety practices in Scouting. Every Scout should always have a buddy when moving around camp or participating in activities.

Buddies stay together, watch out for each other's safety, and immediately notify an adult leader if their buddy is missing, injured, or needs help. Remember: **No one goes anywhere alone.**

Hydration reminders

Water Stations will be at every activity so scouts can refill their water bottles. It's recommended to bring 2 refillable water bottles and **have a name and unit number on each.**

Lost Scout procedures

To ensure the safety of all participants during the district event, please follow these standard procedures if a Scout or leader cannot be accounted for.

1. Unit-Level Actions (First 5 Minutes)

Check the Immediate Area: Rapidly check the unit campsite, all tents, unit vehicles, and nearby latrines/washrooms. Gather

Vital Info: Quickly establish:

- Full name and age of the missing individual
- Physical description and what they were wearing
- Last confirmed time and location seen
- Any relevant medical conditions or special needs

Designate a Point of Contact: Leave at least two adult leaders in the campsite in case the Scout returns on their own.

2. Reporting & Escalation

Notify Event Leadership Immediately: Do not delay. Send an adult runner or contact Event Headquarters / Camp Administration directly at:

Event HQ / Camp Office Location: Site 1/Harper or Camp Office

Emergency Event Phone: [321.987.1776(Karl) / 386.506.1853(Mac)]

Headquarters Response:

Event leadership will initiate a Camp-Wide Hasty Search of common areas (e.g., trading post, program stations, dining hall, waterfront).

If the individual is not located promptly, the Camp Director/Event Incident Commander will sound the camp alarm and initiate an organized property sweep and notify local authorities/Council leadership.

3. Briefing for Scouts (Before the Event)

Unit leaders must review the **S-T-O-P** rule with all Scouts prior to arrival:

S – Stop: As soon as you realize you are lost, stop walking immediately.

T – Think: Stay calm. Remember that leaders and staff are looking for you.

O – Observe: Look around for safe shelter, landmarks, or hazards.

P – Plan: Stay put. Use the universal signal of 3 whistle blasts (or 3 shouts) every few minutes, then listen quietly for a response.

Emergency Contact Information

During the event, emergency communications should be directed through Event Headquarters.

Event Chair: Karl Diaz – 321.987.1776

District Executive: Michael Green – 407-615-0875

Health Officer: TBD

For life-threatening emergencies, call 911 first and **then notify event staff immediately.**

Weather Policy

Webelos Woods will operate rain or shine.

Participants should come prepared for:

- Sun exposure
- Rain
- Changing weather conditions

In the event of severe weather, participants must follow directions from event staff immediately. Craft Shelters and Bathroom are to be used as shelters unless told otherwise.

What to Bring

Scout Uniform

Field Uniform

Recommended for:

- Check-in
- Opening ceremony
- Campfire
- Religious services (if applicable)
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Activity Uniform

Recommended during program activities and outdoor events.

- Personal gear
- Water bottle
- Daypack
- Uniform expectations
- Camping equipment

Leadership Contact

Please contact your Unit Leadership with questions prior to contacting staff as they will be busy supervising the event.

Event Chair: Karl Diaz – 321.987.1776 | karl.cflscouting@gmail.com

District Executive: Michael Green – 407-615-0875 | michael.green@cflscouting.org

Health Officer: TBD

Camp Ranger: Mac Griffith – 386.506.1853 | Mac.Griffith@cflscouting.org



Troops/Crew/OA Guide

Purpose

Webelos Woods provides Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts an opportunity to experience Scouts BSA-style outdoor adventure while interacting with Scouts from local troops, crews, and the Order of the Arrow.

This year's event is held in conjunction with the District Camporee, allowing participants to observe older Scouts demonstrating teamwork, leadership, and outdoor skills in a fun and exciting setting.

Station Requirements

Each unit will provide:

Activity Station

- 20–30 minute activity
- Hands-on participation
- Age appropriate
- Safe and engaging

Examples:

- Fire building
- Knots
- First aid
- Orienteering
- Camping skills
- Dutch oven demonstrations

Staffing Expectations

Recommended:

Senior Patrol Leader or youth lead

4–8 youth instructors

Minimum adult supervision per BSA policy [2 deep]

Remember it should be **Youth Lead**, Adult supported.

Campsite Expectations

Units should:

Maintain a welcoming campsite

Display troop information [This is a GREAT recruiting tool]

Encourage questions

Demonstrate patrol method

Avoid:

Aggressive recruiting

Negative comments about other units

Setup and Cleanup

Units are responsible for setting up and maintaining their assigned activity station before the start of Saturday's program. Please ensure your station is safe, organized, and ready to welcome participants prior to the opening of the first activity period.

At the conclusion of the event, each unit is responsible for cleaning its station area, removing all equipment and supplies, and leaving the site cleaner than it was found.

Thank you for helping us provide a safe, engaging, and memorable experience for our Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts.

Campfire Participation

- Skits
- Songs
- Flag ceremonies

Evaluation Criteria

- Scout Spirit
- Participation
- Creativity
- Safety
- Youth Leadership



Webelos & AOL Participant Guide

What is Webelos Woods

Webelos Woods is an opportunity for Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts to experience Scouts BSA-style camping and outdoor adventure while visiting local troops and meeting older Scouts.

Who can Attend

Youth Participants

- Registered Webelos Scouts
- Registered Arrow of Light Scouts

Adult Participants

- Registered Den Leaders
- Registered Cubmasters
- Registered Assistant Den Leaders
- Parents and Guardians (per district guidelines)

Staff and Volunteers

- Scouts BSA Troops
- Venturing Crews
- Order of the Arrow Members
- Event Staff

What to Expect

Participants will:

- Visit activity stations
- Learn outdoor skills
- Meet Scouts from local troops
- Participate in campfire activities
- Experience Scouts BSA camping

Parent Information

- Supervision expectations

Webelos Woods is designed to give Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts a taste of the independence and responsibility they will experience in Scouts BSA. Throughout the event, Scouts will participate in activities as dens or patrols under the supervision of trained adult leaders and youth leaders from participating troops.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to allow their Scouts to explore the event with their den rather than accompanying them to each activity. This provides Scouts with the opportunity to build confidence, make decisions with their peers, and experience the patrol method in action.

While Scouts are enjoying the program, parents are invited to participate in the adult training sessions and informational workshops offered throughout the day. These sessions are designed to help families better understand the transition to Scouts BSA, learn about upcoming opportunities, and connect with other Scouting leaders.

Parents are always welcome to observe activities or spend time with their Scout if needed. Our goal is to provide a safe, supportive environment that encourages every Scout to grow in confidence while giving adults the opportunity to learn alongside them.

- Training

While your Scouts are participating in program activities, adults are encouraged to take advantage of the training opportunities offered throughout the day.

We plan to offer a combination of **official Scouting America training courses** along with **leader enrichment sessions** featuring practical tips, best practices, hands-on demonstrations, and open question-and-answer discussions. Whether you're a new leader looking for guidance or an experienced Scouter seeking fresh ideas, there will be opportunities to learn, share experiences, and connect with fellow volunteers.

Training schedules and course offerings will be available at check-in and posted at Event Headquarters.

- Photography and Media Policy

Photography and video may be taken during Webelos Woods for the purpose of documenting the event, recognizing participant achievements, and promoting Scouting activities. Participants and families should understand that images captured during Scouting events may be used in accordance with Scouting America and local council communication practices.

Parents or guardians who do not wish for their Scout to be photographed should notify their unit leader and event staff prior to the event. Event staff will make every reasonable effort to honor these requests.

All participants are expected to follow Youth Protection guidelines when taking and sharing photographs or videos. Images should respect the privacy and dignity of all Scouts and should not be shared in a manner that identifies, embarrasses, or places youth at risk.

- Health Forms

All youth and adult participants attending Webelos Woods must have a current Scouting America Annual Health and Medical Record completed as required by Scouting America and local council guidelines.

Unit leaders are responsible for ensuring that required medical forms are collected, reviewed, and available during the event. Medical forms must be provided to event medical personnel upon request or in the event of an emergency.

Participants should inform their unit leadership of any medical conditions, allergies, dietary restrictions, or other needs that may affect their participation.

- Medication Procedures

All medications brought to Webelos Woods must be handled in accordance with Scouting America health and safety guidelines.

Medications should be: Clearly labeled with the participant's name and instructions.

Stored securely and maintained under the supervision of a responsible adult leader.

Administered only as authorized by the participant's parent or guardian and according to provided instructions.

Scouts should not share medications with other participants. Any medication requiring special storage, refrigeration, or administration procedures should be communicated to unit leadership and event medical staff prior to arrival.

- Emergency Contact Procedures

In the event of an emergency, event leadership will prioritize the safety and well-being of all participants and will coordinate response efforts in accordance with Scouting America policies and local emergency procedures.

For immediate life-threatening emergencies, call 911 first, then notify event staff.

Parents and guardians should ensure that their emergency contact information is current and available through their unit leadership. Unit leaders are responsible for maintaining accurate contact information for all participants attending the event.

Event staff will communicate important updates and emergency information through designated event communication channels and will coordinate with unit leaders as needed.

Packing List

PACKS	TROOPS	STAFF
Personal Items • Uniform • Closed-toe shoes • Water bottle • Rain gear • Flashlight • Extra Batteries • Sleeping gear • Tent • Insect repellent • First Aid Kit • Camp chair • Sunscreen • Notebook	Unit Items • Troop First Aid • Unit Roster • Troop Camping Gear • Troop Flag • Patrol Flags • Water Cooler • Cooking equipment • Food/Snacks • Lanterns • Trash Bags • Cleaning Supplies • This Guide	Personal Items • Uniform • Closed-toe shoes • Water bottle • Rain gear • Flashlight • Extra Batteries • Sleeping gear • Tent • Insect repellent • First Aid Kit • Camp chair • Sunscreen • Notebook • Personal medications
Unit Items • Pack First Aid • Unit Roster • Water Cooler • Cooking equipment • Food/Snacks • Lanterns • Trash Bags • Cleaning Supplies • This Guide	Station Items • Teaching Materials • Demonstration equipment • Tables/Work surfaces • Signage • Safety equipment/PPE • Spare supplies • Cleanup Supplies	Leadership Items • Phone • Event Schedule • Camp Map • Food/Snacks • Lanterns • Pens/Clipboard

Rotation Schedule

				Lunch			Dinner
Patrol 1	First Aid	Cooking	Fire building		Orienteering	Camping Skills	
Patrol 2	Cooking	Fire building	Orienteering		Camping Skills	First Aid	
Patrol 3	Fire building	Orienteering	Camping Skills		First Aid	Cooking	
Patrol 4	Orienteering	Camping Skills	First Aid		Cooking	Fire building	
Patrol 5	Camping Skills	First Aid	Cooking		Fire building	Orienteering	

Connections

Webelos Woods is designed to help Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts experience the excitement of Scouts BSA while building confidence, learning new skills, and preparing for their next adventure.

Many activities throughout the weekend may support requirements for current Webelos and Arrow of Light Adventures. Participation in an activity alone does not automatically complete an Adventure requirement. Den Leaders should review requirements before and after the event, discuss experiences with Scouts, and determine any additional steps needed for completion.

Possible Adventure connections include:

Outdoor Adventurer (Webelos)

Scouts may work toward requirements by:

- Participating in an overnight outdoor experience.
- Practicing camping skills and outdoor safety.
- Learning about responsible outdoor practices and Leave No Trace principles.
- Experiencing how Scouts BSA units organize outdoor activities.

Outdoor Adventurer (Arrow of Light)

Scouts may work toward requirements by:

- Participating in an outdoor experience with their den.
- Demonstrating camping skills and outdoor preparedness.
- Learning how Scouts BSA troops plan and conduct camping activities.

First Aid

Scouts may work toward requirements by:

- Participating in first aid demonstrations or activities.
- Learning how to respond to common outdoor injuries.
- Practicing emergency preparedness skills.

Castaway (Webelos)

Scouts may work toward requirements by:

- Learning outdoor survival skills.

- Exploring shelter building, problem-solving, and emergency preparedness.
- Understanding the importance of teamwork during outdoor challenges.

Scouting Adventure (Arrow of Light)

Scouts may work toward requirements by:

- Visiting and interacting with Scouts BSA troops.
- Learning about the patrol method and youth leadership.
- Speaking with Scouts BSA members about troop activities and expectations.
- Exploring opportunities for their future Scouting journey.

Building a Better World (Arrow of Light)

Scouts may work toward requirements by:

- Learning how Scouts contribute to their communities.
- Practicing teamwork, leadership, and service.
- Understanding the responsibilities of being part of a larger Scouting community.

Making the Most of Webelos Woods

To get the greatest benefit from the event:

Before the Event

- Review Adventure requirements with your Den.
- Prepare questions for Scouts BSA members.
- Discuss what Scouts hope to learn or experience.

During the Event

- Participate actively in activities.
- Try new skills.
- Ask questions and interact with Scouts BSA leaders.
- Learn what makes Scouts BSA different from Cub Scouting.

After the Event

- Reflect on the experience with your Den.
- Complete any remaining requirements.
- Continue visiting and learning about local Scouts BSA troops.

Last, we ask that you help us improve our District's Webelos Woods, you will be given a QR code/link with your closing packet. Please take a moment to give us constructive feedback.

Thank you.