

Black Hawk and Iron Horse Districts

WEBELOS WOODS: SCOUTS IN SPACE



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Camp Cedars
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Black Hawk/Iron Horse District Webelos Woods

Webelos Woods will be held October 3-5, 2025 at Camp Cedars near Fremont, NE. The fee for the entire weekend is \$45.00 per Webelos or Arrow of Light scout if registered by September 1 and \$50.00 if registered after September 1. Registration closes September 29. The price includes one adult parent or guardian. All meals are included, including a Friday night Cracker Barrel at the campsite, breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, and Sunday breakfast. All Webelos and Arrow of Light campers should arrive between 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 3. Camp will close by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 5.

Webelos Woods is a Webelos/Arrow of Light to Scouts BSA transition program. It will be an exciting experience for any registered Webelos or Arrow of Light scout. Webelos/Arrow of Light scouts, their leaders, and their parents will have an opportunity to interact with different Iron Horse and Black Hawk Scouts BSA troops in a camping setting. Webelos/Arrow of Light scouts will work alongside Scouts BSA troops in patrols and will engage in some hands-on programs, including knots, fire building, first aid, tent set up, and more. A list of Webelos and Arrow of Light Adventure requirements completed will be provided.

Webelos/Arrow of Light leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to attend a Webelos/Arrow of Light to Scouts BSA transition information session, at which, among other things, the differences in the Cub Scout and Scouts BSA programs will be explained. Scouts BSA experts will be on hand to answer your transition questions.

Registration deadlines: Registration is now open and closes on September 29, 2025. Register at <https://scoutingevent.com/326-98401-229921>.

TO SET THE STAGE...

Space explorers--You are part of a scouting mission to explore the deepest corners of the universe in search of life and habitable planets. Light years past our solar system, your space ship began to malfunction. You spotted a nearby planet and were able to reach its orbit before finally crash landing. Fortunately, you stumbled upon a planet, called Ce-dar-ia, with an atmosphere similar to Earth's. Now, though, you must survive until the rest of your fleet can come to your rescue. You will need to build fires for warmth and cooking, to survive cold Ce-dar-ian nights. You must erect shelters and keep your body fit and strong. You must provide first aid to any of your fellow explorers who were injured during the landing or after. Your strength and your wits must help you survive. You were chosen for this mission for a reason. The fleet has faith in you.

PLANNED EVENTS

First Aid

Your immediate concern is the safety of yourself and your fellow explorers. You must prioritize safety, including checking for hazards around the wreckage and moving the injured to safer locations, assess the situation, to identify injuries, and you must use your Scouting knowledge to treat the injured and provide care.

Firebuilding

The world that you have landed on does not have electric lights, heaters, ovens, or any of the modern conveniences you have come to expect on your home world. Come learn the skills needed to build fires so that you can light the night, warm yourselves, and cook the food you need to eat.

Knots

You were able to salvage some rope from the crash site, and you know that knot-tying is an incredibly useful skill. Knots can help secure shelters, bind items together for transport, make a clothesline, and even be used for rescues.

Fitness and Games

Staying healthy until rescuers arrive is important, and that means more than just foraging for vegetables on Planet Ce-dar-ia. You must exercise to keep your body strong. Keeping your spirits up and those of your fellow explorers is also important, and playing a game or two should do the trick.

Shelters

You've rescued some tents from the crash site, and you need to set them up quickly, as it looks like rain is coming. Hopefully you have enough tents for everyone, or you may need to figure out how to improvise a shelter.

A list of requirements completed will be provided at check in.

SCHEDULE

Friday Night:

7:00-8:00 PM – Check in

9:00 PM - Cracker Barrel

6:30 – 10:00 PM - Troops prepare for activity presentations on Saturday

10:00 pm – Call To Quarters and TAPS - All quiet in campsites

Saturday:

7:00 am – Reveille

7:00 am – 8:30 am Breakfast at Troop campsites

8:00 am – 8:30 am Final preparation/setup for Activity Sessions

8:40 am – Opening Flags

9:15 am – 10:15 am Activity Session 1

10:35 am-11:35 am Activity Session 2

10:35 am – 11:35 am 1st Webelos to Scouts BSA Transition Information Session for parents and Webelos leaders. Please attend either the morning or afternoon session

11:45 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch and free time

1:10 pm – 2:10 pm Activity Session 3

1:10 pm – 2:10 pm 2nd Webelos to Scouts BSA Transition Information Session for parents and Webelos leaders. Please attend either the morning or afternoon session

2:20 pm – 3:20 pm Activity Session 4

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm Activity Session 5

5:00 pm – Closing Flag

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm Dinner in all campsites

7:00-10:00 Free time/Troop time

7:15 pm – Optional Non-denominational Scouts' Own service

7:45 pm – Campfire

10:00 pm – Call to quarters and TAPS/All quiet

Sunday Morning:

7:30 AM Reveille

7:30 AM Breakfast available in dining hall

8:00 AM Pack up and go home

Essential Information

We anticipate that more than 250 Webelos and Arrow of Light scouts, Scouts, and adults will participate in Webelos Woods. For this reason, it is essential that individuals follow these guidelines.

CAR POOLING IS ENCOURAGED.

TWO-DEEP LEADERSHIP IS REQUIRED – At a minimum, two-deep leadership is required. However, as important transition information will be provided, parent or guardian attendance is highly encouraged. The weekend is designed as a joint “Scout/Parent or Guardian” experience. A parent or guardian should plan on participating and observing the activities with their Webelos/Arrow of Light Scout the entire weekend. Only registered scouts may participate. This event is for Webelos/Arrow of Light Scouts. Younger siblings are not permitted to attend.

CAMPSITE INFORMATION – Webelos Woods is a two-night program focusing on Webelos to Scouts BSA transition. Each pack will be assigned to a campsite with a host Scouts BSA troop. Aside from check-in and a Cracker Barrel (evening snacks) with one of the troops, no formal program activities are scheduled for Friday night. This is the time to set up your camp and have a good time together while getting to know some of the Scouts. Webelos and Arrow of Light scouts should not assume that they will be camping with their charter partner or neighborhood Scouts BSA troop. The Webelos Woods committee will make campsite assignments after the registration cutoff. You will have the opportunity to engage with different Scouts BSA troops during the course of Saturday’s activities.

Each Webelos parent or guardian should plan on sharing a tent with their child. B.S.A. policy prohibits non-parent/guardian adults and youths sharing tents. All items brought to camp must be carried to the campsites. *All items carried in must be carried out, including garbage.*

The buddy system will be used. Each Webelos scout needs to be accompanied by his or her parent or guardian or scout “buddy” at all times.

Packs should register as a group, where possible. Supplies for the weekend will be purchased based on registrations. For this reason, refunds cannot be given to those persons unable to attend. Substitutions will be allowed, however.

Webelos Woods Meals

Please indicate any serious food allergies when registering.

Friday – You should **eat dinner before arriving at camp** or plan to brown bag your dinner. At approximately 9:00 p.m. a Cracker Barrel snack will be provided in each campsite. You may want to bring your own light refreshments.

Saturday - Breakfast in camp. Your host Scouts BSA troop will prepare breakfast with you in your campsite.

Saturday lunch – Lunch will be provided in the dining hall.

Saturday dinner – Your hosting Scouts BSA troop will prepare dinner with you in your campsite.

Sunday Breakfast—A continental breakfast will be available in the dining hall on Sunday morning.

PACKING FOR WEBELOS WOODS

Each Webelos/Arrow of Light scout MUST bring the Annual BSA Health and Medical Record Part A & B must be completed for each attendee and presented at Webelos Woods check-in. **This includes all adults.**

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf

You may use forms with current medical information from previous camp events. Medical forms will be returned to you Sunday morning.

Suggested Camper Gear Check List

- ☐ Tent with ground cloth (try to keep tent size 9 X 9 feet or less)
- ☐ Sleeping bag (bring extra blanket, if needed, depending on weather)
- ☐ Sleeping pad/mattress to place under your sleeping bag. If the forecast is for cold weather, avoid the air mattress. It's soft but provides zero insulation from the cold ground. Closed cell foam pads or self-inflating sleep pads are great.
- ☐ Change of clothing (at least one extra pair). Dressing in layers is best.
- ☐ Rain gear (inexpensive ponchos are available at Walmart--extremely important to avoid hypothermia)
- ☐ Change of shoes (a good idea if it rains)
- ☐ Webelos/Arrow of Light scout shirt to wear to the flag ceremonies
- ☐ Pack or other scouting t-shirt for Saturday
- ☐ Insect repellent
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Flashlight
- ☐ Water bottle / canteen
- ☐ Folding Chair
- ☐ Tooth brush, comb, etc.

PROHIBITED ITEMS:

Alcohol/drugs

Sheath knives

Radios/electronic devices

Pets

Fireworks

Firearms

DO NOT STORE ANY FOOD/SNACKS/CANDY IN YOUR TENTS. IT'S AN OPEN INVITATION FOR RACCOONS TO ENTER YOUR TENT.

Any questions, please contact:

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