

Statement of Understanding

All participants (youth and leaders) are selected to represent their local councils based on qualifications in character, camping skills, physical and personal fitness, and leadership qualities. Therefore, all adult and youth participants and their parents or guardians are asked to read and agree to the Code of Conduct and Statement of Understanding as a condition of participation.

It is with the further understanding that serious misconduct or infraction of rules and regulations may result in expulsion (at the participant's own expense) from the National Jamboree or during the National Jamboree tour. Each participant is responsible for their own behavior, and the procedure to send a participant home from the National Jamboree will only be Invoked when necessary.

Code of Conduct

The unit's adult leaders are responsible for the supervision of its membership, maintaining discipline, security, and upholding the National Jamboree Code of Conduct.

Leaders will be guided by the Scout Oath and Scout Law and will obey all U.S., local, and state laws.

- I promise to obey the Scout Oath and Law.
- I will be Scout-like in how we act and treat others.
- I will set a good example by keeping myself neatly dressed and presentable.
- I will attend all scheduled programs and participate as required in cooperation with other unit members and leaders.
- In consideration of other unit participants, I agree to follow the bedtime and sleep schedule of the unit.
- I will be responsible for keeping my tent and personal gear clean and neat and labeling all personal gear.
- I will adhere to all recycling policies and regulations. I will not litter.
- I understand that the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is prohibited at The Summit.
- I understand that serious and/or repetitive behavior violations, including cheating, stealing, dishonesty, fighting, and cursing, may result in expulsion from The Summit or serious disciplinary action and loss of privileges.
- I understand that gambling of any form is prohibited.
- I understand that possession of lasers of any type and possession or detonation of fireworks is prohibited.

- I will demonstrate respect for The Summit and unit property and be personally responsible for any loss, breakage, or vandalism of property as a result of my actions.
- Neither the unit leaders nor Scouting America will be responsible for loss, breakage, or theft of personal items. I will label all my personal items and check items of value at the direction of unit leaders. Theft will be grounds for expulsion.
- I will obey the safety rules and instructions of all supervisors and Service Team members.
- I understand that hazing has no place in Scouting; nor do running the gauntlet, belt lines, and similar acts of physical punishment.
- I understand that participants may only bring items specified on the equipment list provided.
- I understand that I can be sent home for bullying, horseplay, fighting, stealing, off-color jokes, remarks or conduct, harassment of any kind-sexual, religious, race, cultural, national origin, disability, etc., being a “peeping tom”, being in an off-limits area and/or repeated failure to follow instructions.

Violation of this Code of Conduct, or any other conduct deemed to be inconsistent with the values of Scouting, may result in expulsion from The Summit at the participant’s own expense and could result in revocation of Scouting America membership.

Commitment to Safety

The safety and health of our youth, volunteers, service team, and employees is a key component of the 2026 National Jamboree experience. Youth develop traits of citizenship, character, fitness, and leadership during age-appropriate events when challenged to move beyond their normal comfort level and discover new abilities. In doing so, it is essential that risks are identified and mitigated.

The 2026 National Jamboree program, activities, and events integrate many safety features. However, no policy or procedure will replace the review and vigilance of trusted adults and youth leaders at the point of program, activities, and event execution.

In order to promote and secure a safe and healthy 2026 National Jamboree environment, all leaders are asked to:

- Know and execute the Scouting program as contained in appropriate National Jamboree publications and the Guide to Safe Scouting.
- Properly plan pre/post National Jamboree tours, activities, and events using Scouting’s SAFE checklist as a guide.
- Set the example for safe behavior and equipment use during all programs, activities, and events.

- Engage and educate participants in discussions about identifying and mitigating hazards and risks.
- Ensure that all participants understand basic first aid and carry a personal first aid kit.
- Emphasize staying hydrated due to hot, humid weather and extreme activities to prevent rapid dehydration.

Together we will ensure the 2026 National Jamboree provides an exciting and safe experience for everyone.