Scouts BSA Resident Camp: 2024 Overview

2024 Summer Camp Dates

- Week #1: Sunday, July 7th to Saturday, July 13th (or Friday evening departure)
- Week #2: Sunday, July 14th to Saturday, July 20th (or Friday evening departure)

Merit Badge Day Programming: Mon - Thurs from 9:15 - 4:00pm

- Block scheduling on Monday/Tuesday & Wednesday/Thursday similar to 2023
- See additional resources for planned merit badge offerings and weekly schedule
- Full merit badge daily schedule to be released by May 2024
- Will provide four (4) dedicated merit badge sessions however if Scouts come prepared to camp with additional completed Merit Badge Worksheets, MB Counselors will be available during Open Programming periods to review work and approve as needed.

Afternoon Open Programming: Mon - Thurs from 4:00 - 5:30pm

- **MB Catching Up:** Program areas will be reserved first for Scouts in scheduled merit badge courses to get caught up on anything needed (i.e. aquatics and shooting)
- MB Reviews: Scouts will also be able to meet with various MB Counselors to review any completed MB worksheets they bring to camp to complete additional merit badges
- Instructional Swim / Mile Swim: Will alternate days to provide multiple options
- Camp-wide Games: will include Ultimate Frisbee, Kickball, Capture the Flag, Cornhole, Wiffle Ball Home Run Derby, Spikeball, Soccer, Volleyball, etc.
- Mountain Biking: organized trail rides around camp property and practice tire changing
- Knot Tying Club: will recognize anyone who completes 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 types of knots

Evening Programming: After dinner starting at 7:00pm

- Sunday: Safe Swim Defense, interfaith Chapel service & Opening Campfire Ceremony
- Monday: reserved for open swimming, open shooting, camp-wide games (indoor and outdoor) and simple elective merit badges (i.e. fingerprinting)
- Tuesday: Prepared to Care programming, Scout Trivia & Minute-to-Win-It Games
- Wednesday: OA Block Party, Scoutmaster Cook-off & OA Call-out Campfire Ceremony
- **Thursday:** reserved for open swimming, open shooting, camp-wide games (indoor and outdoor) and simple elective merit badges (i.e. fingerprinting)
- Friday: Closing Ceremony with award recognitions. Family members are welcome

Additional Program Options

- Early Risers Challenge: Mon Thurs from 7:00 7:30am
 - A fun option for Scouts & Leaders to do morning lap swimming, polar bear swims, fitness exercises and trail runs
 - Will provide fitness testing if needed (i.e. pushups, situps, sit n' reach, mile run)
- Evening Indoor Game options:
 - o Board Games: Chess, Checkers, Stratego, Risk, Battleship, Jenga, Uno, etc.
 - Will provide various Minute-to-Win-It style games throughout the week
- Night Shoot & Stargazing: Monday & Thursday evenings based on weather forecast



Friday Programming

- Scout Skills Challenges: Field Day style activities and challenges for individuals & patrols at Program Areas (Aquatics, Shooting, Nature, Scoutcraft, Skilled Trades, STEM)
- **Scout-led Emergency Drill:** time reserved to complete requirements for safety-related MBs. This time can also be used for any last minute make-ups any other MBs if needed
- Grand Finale Relay Race Challenge: Survivor-style team building relay race
- Closing Ceremony: Goal is to end by 8:30pm in case any units plan to depart on Friday
 - Scout-led songs, skits and cheers
 - Recognitions for individuals & patrols for Program Area accomplishments, Scout Skill Challenges and Grand Finale Relay Race Challenge

Netami Program: open to 1st & 2nd year Scouts

- Meet Mon-Thurs. mornings to work on rank advancements, Totin' Chip & Firem'n Chit
- Netami Scouts will be organized into smaller patrol-sized groups and rotate through eight stations with each session lasting approx. one (1) hour each
 - Stations to include: Scouting 101, Knots & Lashing, Axe Yard & Firemaking, 1st Aid, Maps & Orienteering, Camp Cooking & Cleaning, Plant & Animal ID, Outdoor Ethics & Leave No Trace
- Afternoons will be reserved for Merit Badge classes
 - One to be a dedicated Netami Swimming MB session to also cover related swimming rank requirements and the other will be a Scout's choice MB
- Will have working lunches on Tues. & Thurs. for a nature hike & orienteering course
- Wednesday's lunch will offer a 1st Time Shooting Experience option at the range that will be open to all interested Scouts who have never used a .22 rifle before
- Physical fitness rank requirements can also be covered in Early Riser morning sessions

Meal Planning

- Allergy safe and dietary restricted meal options will be made available
- All Breakfasts and Dinners (except Friday's dinner) will be in the Dining Hall
- Lunches will be Grab 'n Go style to allow Scouts & Leaders to eat anywhere outdoors or under nearby pavilions
- Lunch 'n Learn sessions
 - Will provide opportunities for breakout sessions to include: Leader networking,
 Outdoor Ethics, OA Members & OA Day planning, 1st Time Shooting Experience
- Meal exceptions:
 - Wednesday Dinner: will be a BBQ style tailgate in the main part of camp in conjunction with the OA Block party
 - Friday Lunch will be in the Dining Hall
 - Friday Dinner will be pizza served at individual campsites to help with the transition of Scouts & Parents packing up and seeing one another before the Closing Ceremony

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Additional Programming this Year!!!

- Boating Aquatics is back the lake is currently filled
 - Will offer boating merit badge options for canoeing, rowing & kayaking
 - Will provide class options on Monday through Thursday during regular Merit Badge programming sessions
 - o Final schedule details to be released in May & could be adjusted due to interest

• Backpacking on the Mid-State Trail

- o A two (2) day, one (1) night excursion on Monday and Tuesday only
- Depart directly from camp and utilize the nearby Mid-State Trail
- Each group will consist 2 Camp staff members and a max of 12 total participants
 - Youth and adults would be welcome to participate
 - Total number of groups to be finalized in May based on interest levels
- o Will cover partial requirements for hiking, backpacking and camping merit badges
- Scouts will be responsible for providing trail meals for Monday's lunch/dinner & Tuesday's breakfast/lunch. Gear checks to be done on Sunday afternoon

Interested in Volunteering while at Camp?

The Camp Staff will be responsible for managing program areas and offsite activities however our goal is to also keep adult leaders engaged while at camp. If any Unit leaders attending camp are interested in providing assistance during the week whether as subject matter experts for Merit Badges or as additional adult oversight for any programming, please let us know. We appreciate the time given as volunteers while at camp so if there are any areas that you have a passion for or have professional experience with, don't hesitate to let us know.



2024 Scouts BSA Summer Camp Pricing:

- Youth Scout
 - o If paid by 1/31/24: \$400.00
 - o If paid by 5/1/24: \$412.00
 - o If paid by 6/1/24: \$454.00
 - o If paid on 6/2/24 or later: \$510.00
- Youth Scout sibling discount (approx 10%)
 - o If paid by 1/31/24: \$360.00
 - o If paid by 5/1/24: \$370.00
 - o If paid by 6/1/24: \$407.00
 - o If paid on 6/2/24 or later: \$458.00
- Youth Scout if doing a 2nd week of camp themselves (50% savings)
 - o If paid by 1/31/24: \$200.00
 - o If paid by 5/1/24: \$206.00
 - o If paid by 6/1/24: \$227.00
 - o If paid on 6/2/24 or later: \$255.00
 - Please contact the JVC Office to register for a second week of camp
- Additional Adults (2 adults are covered with the campsite reservation fee)
 - o \$110.00 regardless of when paid

Units are asked to register all Scouts under a Group Reservation:

For Unit registrations, Scoutmasters or a designated Summer Camp Unit Leader should coordinate a group registration and collect individual payments for their respective Units. If interested, online credit card payments for individual scouts can be processed once the initial Unit registration has been started.

In order to reserve a campsite before processing all individual registrations, a unit leader can go through the online JVC Calendar Black Pug event page and process one adult registration. This will allow Units to select a preferred campsite location as well as provide an approximate number of expected campers.

Registration Details can also be found at: www.scoutingevent.com/497-74659

If any questions, contact:

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