

# **CAMPERSHIP PROGRAM & POLICY**

## **General Information**

Funds are available to assist Bucktail Council youth with financial need to experience Summer Resident Camp at Camp Mountain Run. They are not intended to provide the entire fee for Summer Camp.

Requests for camperships must meet the following guidelines:

1. Must be made using the attached campership form and be turned into the Bucktail Council Service Center (89 Nolan Rd., Penfield, PA 15849) no later than March 15, 2025. Campership applications received after this date will not be considered. The entire form must be completed in full or it will not be considered.
2. Camperships awarded will be granted for a percentage less than half of the early bird fee.
3. Each applicant is reviewed individually and must stand on the applicant's own merit. Completion of the campership form does not guarantee that a campership grant will be awarded. There are no quotas assigned to units. Scouts from units which conduct a Friends of Scouting campaign and participate in Council Product Sales will receive first preference.
4. Camperships are issued to Scouts currently registered in the Bucktail Council attending a long-term camp sponsored by Bucktail Council. They are not granted to those Scouts camping out of council.

All youth using council facilities, whether for short-term overnight or long-term summer camp periods, are already subsidized in part by the council's yearly operating budget, which pays for taxes, a year-round camp ranger, maintenance, liability insurance, heat, lights, etc. The local community (through United Way allocations, Friends of Scouting, popcorn sales, trust fund income and Campership donations) pays this cost.

Unit leaders will be notified in writing of approved camperships and the amount of the grant by April 15, 2025. **Camperships that are awarded are not transferable.**

**Bucktail Council, BSA**  
**2025 Campership Form**  
**Due by March 15, 2025**

Paying a Scout's way to camp is a joint effort of the unit (Troop, Pack, or Crew), the Scout and their family, and the campership program. Details of the application are confidential. **This application MUST be signed by the parent(s) and the Scoutmaster of the Scout requesting the campership.** All parts must be completed to be considered for the campership. One form must be filled out for each Scout in the family.

**Campership Application for:**

Scout's Name:		Unit Type and #:	
Address:		City, State Zip:	
Phone:		Parent/Guardian email:	
Which Camp are you attending? (Circle one)  <b>Cub Day Camp    Cub Scout Resident    Scouts BSA Resident</b>			
Please provide an explanation for the hardship - medical, job loss, multiple Scouts in program, etc. (Use additional paper if necessary.)			
Participated in Friends of Scouting	Yes or No	Total Gift: \$	Total Number in Household?
Participated in Popcorn Sale	Yes or No	Total Sales: \$	Total Family income from 2024 (this is used to calculate campership amount): \$
Participated in the Spring Product Sale	Yes or No	Total Sales: \$	
Participated in a Unit Fundraiser	Yes or No	Total Sales: \$	Have you received a Campership before:  Yes or No
Unit contribution	Yes or No	Total: \$	
* The Bucktail Council reserves the option to request verification of each financial matter.			
Parent/Guardian Signature:			Date:
Unit Leader's Signature:			Date:
Unit Leader's Email:			

Parents/Guardians/Unit Leaders: Each campership must be signed by the Scout applying after reading the statement below. However, it is not the Bucktail Council's intention for the family to have to reveal income to the Scout; therefore, it is appropriate to cut along the line, remove the statement and staple it to the application prior to submitting it.

-----Cut Here to Separate-----

On my honor as a Scout, I, \_\_\_\_\_, kindly affirm that I am applying for a campership to attend a Bucktail Council summer camp experience. I understand that as a Scout, it's important to learn how to be financially responsible, and I'll do my best to live up to the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Scout Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_