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**CUB SCOUT SUMMER CAMPS 2023**

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2023 LEADER GUIDE**



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January 15, 2023

Dear Unit Leader:

Are your pack meetings filled with roaming Lions, Tigers, Bears, and more? Round them up and get them ready for a ROARing good time! Our staff is in full swing, getting ready for some fantastic fun and some monkeying around for our summer camp programs! Get ready to go BANANAS and show your WILD side on an epic summer excursion to camp! Join the Hawk Mountain Council on our WILDEST adventure yet! This summer, we invite you to take part in our summer camp programs as we celebrate Cub Scout's "jungle roots" at our 2023 summer camps, themed "Into the Jungle: Safari Adventure."

Here is your copy of the 2023 Cub Scout Leader Guide. It is full of information designed to help you prepare for the upcoming camping season. Please review the enclosed information carefully and share the appropriate pages with any adults who will be attending summer camp.

Our goal is to provide your Scouts with the most memorable summer camp experience possible. Our Council continues to update facilities and add new programs to ensure our Scouts enjoy their camping experiences on their trek through the Scouting program. This year, we introduce our localized day camps where our staff visits you on our "Jungle Cruise" throughout the Hawk Mountain Council! This program is designed to provide Scouts who otherwise would not have the opportunity to participate in a camp program the chance to be a part of the Scouting Adventure at a Satellite Day Camp closer to home! Keep your binoculars on the lookout for more specific program information and exciting details particular to these Satellite Day Camps to be shared at a later date.

Your leaders participating in our summer camp program(s) are encouraged to attend an in-person or virtual information session on April 23, 2023. Our Cub Scout Camp Leadership Team is eager to meet with you to share the inside scoop about this summer's program activities—and to share their general Cub Scout Spirit and Excitement!

**April 23, 2023 –**

**In-Person Cub Scout Camp Information Session**

HMSR – 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM – Willits Dining Hall

**Virtual Cub Scout Camp Information Session**

Video Conference – 3:00 PM- 4:30 PM – Video link to be shared at a later date.

Yours in Scouting,  
**Cub Scout Leadership Team**

# 2023 Cub Scout Camp Schedule

## Cub Scout Camp Information Session: **April 23, 2023**

### In-Person Cub Scout Camp Information Session

- HMSR – 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM – Willits Dining Hall

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## DAY CAMPS

**June 19-23:** Daniel Boone Homestead, Birdsboro

**June 26-30:** Maiers Grove Park, Blandon

**July 3-7\*:** Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

\*Join your Scout for a family event on July 4th!

**July 10-14:** Cacoosing Meadows Park, Spring Twp.

**July 17-21:** Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

## RESIDENT CAMPS

**July 2-5** Cub Resident Session 1

**July 5-8** Cub Resident Session 2

**July 23-26** Webelos Resident Session 1

**July 26-29** Webelos Resident Session 2



## Cub Scout Camping Opportunities

### Opportunities at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation:

- **HMSR Day Camp**

Join us for a ROARing good time at Camp DuPortail, our Cub Scout Camp, at the always sunny Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation. Our HMSR Day Camp allows participants to experience our 600-acre, mostly wooded property in beautiful Southern Schuylkill County, PA. The program at HMSR is unique from our other day camp offerings as it features both our pool and cub scout confidence course and additional camp program offerings in this day camp setting. This is a premier day camping opportunity for Cub Scouts to experience themed fun and adventure in the outdoors while learning age-appropriate Scout skills.

- **HMSR Cub Resident Camp (Overnight)**

Located at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation, this is our Cub Scout Overnight Programming option for Cub Scouts of any rank. This program consists of a 4-day, 3-night stay at sunny Hawk Mountain. Campers will stay in one of our premium campsites featuring a pavilion and platform canvas tents with cots. This program is like our Day Camp offering at HMSR. However, it includes additional evening program opportunities and traditional camp staples, such as a dinner dining hall experience, campsite time, and campfire programs. This is an excellent opportunity for families wishing to spend quality time together in the great outdoors.

- **HMSR Webelos Resident (Overnight)**

Located at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation, this is our Webelo/ Arrow of Light-specific Summer Camp Programming option. **It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that Webelos/Arrow of Light Scouts attend this camping experience over our other program offerings.** This program is tailored specifically to Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts, providing them with a stepping-stone camping experience as they prepare for their transition to Scouts BSA. This program includes rank advancement, themed fun, and Scouts BSA experiences while camping in one of our Camp Meade campsites over a 4-day, 3-night stay at sunny Hawk Mountain.

## Cub Scout Camping Opportunities

## Opportunities on our Jungle Cruise throughout the Council:

- **Local Satellite Cub Scout Day Camps**

This year, we introduce our localized day camps where our staff visits you on our “*Jungle Cruise*” throughout the Hawk Mountain Council! This program is designed to provide Scouts who otherwise would not have the opportunity to participate in a camp program the chance to be a part of the Scouting Adventure at a Satellite Day Camp closer to home! This program will provide Scouts in Tigers through Bears the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities, themed fun, and spotlight programs honoring the history and culture specific to the area of each Satellite Camp. Satellite Day Camps will include shooting sports activities, although they may differ from the offerings at HMSR due to local rules and regulations. These camps will also feature water games and fun in place of a swimming pool.

- **June 19-23:** Daniel Boone Homestead, Birdsboro
- **June 26-30:** Maiers Grove Park, Blandon
- **July 10-14:** Red Caboose Park, Spring Twp.

Keep your binoculars on the lookout for additional program information and exciting details specific to these Satellite Day Camps to be shared at a later date.





## 2023 Camp Prices

### Satellite Day Camps

- \$130 Scouts and Participating Scout-Aged Youth
- \$20 Non-Participating Sibling Fee (Covers insurance and snacks)

### Day Camp at HMSR

- \$160 Scouts and Participating Scout-Aged Youth
- \$25 Non-Participating Sibling Fee (Covers insurance and snacks)
- \$25 Adult Fee (Covers insurance and snacks)
  - If you are an adult who wishes to volunteer and help assist at program areas while at Day Camp, please contact Michele Bement prior to registration. Special camp swag and promotions may be applied to your fee.

### Cub Scout Resident Camp

- Scouts and Participating Scout-Aged Youth \$190
- Adult Fee \$50 (Covers insurance and meals)
  - 2 Free Leader Fees will be provided per registered pack of 6 scouts or more. All participants must be registered as a den/pack, not an individual registration. Late registrations (after May 15th) will forfeit their 2 Free Leader Fees.

### Webelos Resident Camp

- Webelos Scout \$190
- Adult Fee \$50 (Covers insurance and meals)
  - 2 Free Leader Fees will be provided per registered pack of 6 scouts or more. All participants must be registered as a den/pack, not an individual registration. Late registrations (after May 15th) will forfeit their 2 Free Leader Fees.

## Camp Fee Schedule

2023 Season



- Initial Deposit: Payment of \$50.00 per Scout due at registration.
- Registration MUST be made in full by **May 15th**
  - Any registrations after May 15th will incur a late fee of **\$15** per participant. Late registrations are expected to make full registration payment upfront.
- All camp fees should be paid through Black Pug before you arrive at camp.
- The Hawk Mountain Council supports the idea that no Scout should be deprived of a summer camp experience due to financial circumstances. Camperships are available to Scouts who attend camp at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation and our Satellite Day Camp locations. Please see Campership information on page 9 of this Leader Guide.

### Key Dates to remember

- **April 1st** — Campership Applications due to Council
- **May 1st** — Campership Award Letters sent to Recipients
- **May 15th** — Final Payment of balance due for all attending camp
- **After May 15th** — A Late Fee of +\$15.00 is added per registration



### Financials and staff opportunities

#### Campership Assistance

Hawk Mountain Council BSA believes that all Scouts should be able to attend summer resident camp, regardless of their financial situation. Campership funds are available from the Council to assist Scout families who may have difficulty affording the full camp fee. Our camperships are available to both in Council and out-of Council campers. Please see this guide's Fees section (page 8) for applicable dates. Campership Applications are available on our website at <https://hmc-bsa.org/category/forms-links/>.

## Refunds

To become more fiscally responsible, the following refund policy attempts to balance the needs of both the Council and campers. This refund policy has been enacted to provide the maximum flexibility to Scouts and their families while protecting the council's pre-paid camp expenses based on reservation numbers. You can view the Council's refund policy here:

<https://hmc-bsa.org/download/1684/?tmstv=1673750968>

## Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation Camp Staff

We depend on a highly skilled and dedicated staff to operate Hawk Mountain each summer. Serving on camp staff is truly the summer of a lifetime. It's a unique chance for you to teach, be a leader, work on a team... and touch the lives of the nearly 1,200 campers who will pass through our gates this summer.

We hope that you will encourage your best Scouts, leaders, and friends that love working with youth to apply for staff positions so that we can truly offer a "dream team" to all attending Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation and our Cub Scout Camps this summer.

Contact the Council Program Director at 570-754-7552 or via email at [michele.bement@scouting.org](mailto:michele.bement@scouting.org) for more information. Applications are also available via the Council website <https://hmc-bsa.org/>.

# Pre-Camp Leader Checklist

**January & February**

- Promotion efforts at your Pack's Blue and Gold Banquet
- Plan necessary fundraisers to support your trip. Contact the Council Office if you are interested in participating in the Spring Product Sale.
- Provide parents with information about camp (don't forget to EXUDE that CUB SCOUT SPIRIT!)

### **March & April**

- Line up and arrange transportation, as well as adults to be in attendance
- Register your Scout(s) on BlackPug and turn in the initial \$50 participant deposit fee
- Attend the Cub Scout Information Session on April 23rd, 2023

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### **May & June**

- Distribute medical forms
- Collect the remainder of fees and necessary forms from all Scouts and Adults
- Swim checks – decide if, when, and where you might want to complete them as a Pack.
- Final payment by May 15, 2023 (**regardless of the week attending camp**), along with all paperwork turned in.

### **2 Weeks prior to Camp:**

- All Campers/Adults have completed sections A & B of the BSA Health Form.
- Look for a Confirmation E-mail from HMSR leadership.

# General Camp Information

## Preparing For Your Time at Camp

### Required Medical Forms

All campers and adults must turn in a completed BSA universal Annual Health and Medical Record (AHMR). This is an annual health history that must be completed within the 12 months prior to attending camp. Parts A and B of the form are REQUIRED for everyone attending a HMC Cub Scout Camp. This means that each Scout, Adult, and Sibling must have one filled out BEFORE your time at camp. The parent/guardian of anyone under the age of 18 must sign part A. The form does not require the signature of a doctor. The form must be completed in full, and a copy of the individual's insurance card (front and back) should also be attached with any other pertinent medical information.

\*\*\*New AHMRs are required each year\*\*\*

AHMR forms are available at the Beaver Family Council Service Center and online at <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/>

### Camp Health Officer

All HMC Cub Scout summer camps will be staffed by a Health Officer at all times. During your time at camp, please visit the designated location for health and wellness needs.

All accidents must be reported to the Health Officer for documentation purposes, regardless of severity. We are required to record all injuries that occur at all camp locations, NO MATTER HOW SMALL. Please remember that our Health Officer provides first aid, not medical treatment. There are local physicians and hospitals on call for emergencies.

### Medications

Anyone attending camp with a prescription or over-the-counter medication must fill out a medication form. This completed form should be turned in to the health officer upon check-in. It is for your safety that the health officer is aware of all medications being taken while attending camp. Medication forms can be found online at <https://hmc-bsa.org/hmsr-resources-page/>.

### Special Accommodations and Needs

The HMC Cub Scout Camp staff is committed to fully including all campers in all aspects of the summer camp program. Often, meeting the needs of our campers and adults requires minor adaptations of our facilities, staffing, and instructional plans. Please inform the Cub Scout Camp Leadership Team of any youth or adults needing accommodations at any of our HMC Cub Scout camps. Unit leaders or parents should contact the Director of Camping and Outdoor Programs at [michele.bement@scouting.org](mailto:michele.bement@scouting.org) in advance to outline the specific needs of their campers and adults.

### Dietary Accommodations and Needs

If campers or adults have a special dietary need, please contact the Director of Camping and Outdoor Programs at least 2 weeks prior to your attendance at camp by emailing a completed Dietary Form to [michele.bement@scouting.org](mailto:michele.bement@scouting.org). Dietary forms can be accessed during registration on Black Pug or at <https://hmc-bsa.org/hmsr-resources-page/>. Copies of menus can also be provided in advance. In some cases, bringing supplemental food items to camp is encouraged.

**Participants attending HMSR Day Camp and Satellite Day Camps will provide their own lunches.** Themed snacks will be provided as part of the daily programming. If someone attending has dietary needs or severe sensitivities (i.e., Reactions triggered by scents or trace touches), please notify the Cub Scout Camp Leadership so appropriate accommodations can be made.

## Swimming Classification and Tests

**Camps hosted at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation:** Swim tests may not be offered during your stay at HMSR. It is HIGHLY encouraged that all scouts and camp participants take a swim test prior to their arrival at camp. This allows scouts to utilize and swim in other sections of the pool than the Learner's (shallowest) section.

Your pack can conduct off-Site Swim Test Classification before attending camp. The swim classification test performed at a unit level should be conducted by one of the following council-approved resource people: Aquatics Instructor, BSA; BSA Lifeguard; BSA Swimming & Water Rescue; or other lifeguards, swimming instructor, etc. Test administrators should utilize chapter 5 of the BSA Aquatics Supervision Guide.

Please print and complete the required form located at <https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2022>. Please send your completed Swim Classification Record form to [michele.bement@scouting.org](mailto:michele.bement@scouting.org) prior to your arrival at camp. A physical copy of the record form should also be presented upon check-in at camp.

**Satellite Day Camps:** Swim Checks are not necessary for participants attending any of our three Satellite Day Camp options. These camps will feature a "WILD Water Day" filled with water games and fun in the sun!



**All Camps:** All camp participants should wear comfortable clothing suited to the weather conditions. Pack T-Shirts are a unique way to have your Scouts recognized and are encouraged.

Camp Activities include a lot of walking to the various activity areas. Comfortable shoes are highly recommended. Shoes must be closed-toe and closed-heel. Sandals, Flip Flops, and Crocs are not permitted unless specified otherwise.

*Please label all clothing and belongings with each child's name and pack number.*

Upon check-in, every Scout and camp participant will receive a Jungle Explorer nametag. Please wear this each day you're in attendance at camp. For your safety, please remove name tags upon leaving camp for the day.

Be sure to pack and dress appropriately – camp will be held rain or shine! If it is raining, it's raining, "Liquid SUNSHINE!"

**HMSR and Satellite Day Camps:** Uniforms are NOT required for Day Camp.

**Cub Resident and Webelos Resident Camps:** Field Uniforms (Class A) are encouraged but not required for both Cub Resident and Webelos Resident camps. They will be worn for Dinner, Evening Flag Ceremonies, Campfires, and during Chapel services.

## Theme Days

**HMSR Day Camp and Satellite Day Camps:**

**Macaw Monday:** Wear bright colors! This is an excellent opportunity to wear a Pack t-shirt!

**Tiger Stripe Tuesday:** Wear stripes!

**"DENS" Day Wednesday:** Show off your Den, Rank, or Pack t-shirts!

**Topsy Turvy Thursday:** Wear a crazy hat or mismatched clothes!

**In the Field Friday:** Wear your animal costumes, animal print, and safari explorer gear!

**HMSR Cub Resident Camps:**

Session 1:

**Macaw Monday:** Wear bright colors! This is an excellent opportunity to wear a Pack t-shirt!

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**"DENS" Day Wednesday:** Show off your Den, Rank, or Pack t-shirts!

Session 2:

**"DENS" Day Wednesday:** Show off your Den, Rank, or Pack t-shirts!

**Topsy Turvy Thursday:** Wear a crazy hat or mismatched clothes!

**In the Field Friday:** Wear your animal costumes, animal print, and safari explorer gear!

## Den and Pack Organization

**HMSR Day Camp and Satellite Day Camps**

- Individual Packs will maintain their unit integrity and will move as a group.
- Packs must provide at least Two (2) Leaders per Den per Session
- Adult Partners who are attending camp will stay with their Pack and be the “Walkers” and assist the Cub Scout Camp Staff
- No Dens will be larger than 16 Scouts (few exceptions will be made)
- Each Tiger is required to have 1 Adult Partner EVERY DAY

### Cub Resident Camp

- Individual Packs will maintain their unit integrity and will move as a group.
- Packs must provide at least Two (2) Leaders per Den per Session
- Adult Partners who are attending camp will stay with their Pack and be the “Walkers” and assist the Cub Scout Camp Staff
- No Dens will be larger than 16 Scouts (few exceptions will be made)
- Each Tiger is required to have 1 Adult Partner EVERY DAY

### Webelos Resident Camp

- Individual Dens will maintain their unit integrity and will move as a group within an assigned Patrol.
- Packs must provide at least Two (2) Leaders per Den per Session
- Adult Partners who are attending camp will stay with their Pack and provide supervision, along with assisting the Cub Scout Camp Staff
- No Dens will be larger than 16 Scouts (few exceptions will be made)



## General Camp Information

### What to Expect While at Camp



## Advancement/Adventure Sessions

The major intent of the Cub Camping Program is fun! Boys and Girls will also learn while enjoying themselves! Adventure sessions are designed to help complete part of rank requirements or elective requirements. Each Scout will receive a personal Safari Field Guide to fill out throughout their stay. These are the tracking/report cards for each den and Scout. Your Pack has the option of accepting these achievements. The Safari Field Guide should be returned daily and sent home with the Scout/Leader at the end of the week.

In addition to Scout's Safari Field Guides, Leaders will receive a list of achievements at the end of the week detailing what the Scouts may have accomplished if they participated in all parts of the planned programming. **The camp staff does not keep track of advancement at camp.** Your leadership is required to keep track of any advancement items completed at camp. Your Pack has the option of accepting these recommended achievements.

Den Leaders and adults will assist at each Adventure Program Area.

### Adventure Sessions may include:

- o Scout Skills
- o Nature
- o Science or STEM
- o Crafts
- o Songs and Skits
- o Field Games
- o Shooting Sports
- o Fishing
- o Water Activities

## Special Guests, Den Time, and Campfire Show

Special Guests may be joining us during your camp session to share their knowledge about particular topics and lead engaging activities. They are volunteering their time to come share, so please give them our best behavior.

## Summertime Pack Award

The Cub Scout Summertime Pack Award is an award given to the Pack when they conduct "Summertime" Pack happenings, one per summer month. Summer Camp counts towards these Summertime activities. This is a Pack Award, and the Scouts will not receive anything through Camp; leaders must send an application to the Council to receive the award.

## Den Time

The Cub Scout Den Time or "Siesta" is a chance for dens to meet individually to discuss something they learned that day, make a den flag, practice a skit or song for the closing

campfire, visit your camps Trading Post, take advantage of a location-specific program, or just have a quiet moment of rest.

### **Trading Post**

Our HMC Cub Scout Camps will operate a trading post during our camp offerings. The Trading Post will have Hawk Mountain custom items, including patches and apparel, Scout gear, themed novelty items, and an assortment of beverages, candy, and snacks. Operating hours will be posted at each camp and provided in each camp's specific program guide. Cash and all major credit cards are accepted.

### **Closing Campfire Program**

A Campfire show will be held on the last full day of your time at camp. Campfire is a chance for parents, siblings, grandparents, or anyone from the family to visit and see what the Scouts have done throughout the week. Each Den is encouraged to perform a skit, song, joke, run-on, or story. Please see the Cub Scout Camp Program Director for song and skit suggestions or to sign up for a performance slot for the campfire program.

### **Importance of the Schedule**

The schedule is designed so that every Scout can not only work on adventures, but there is time to have fun. It is built on a rotational schedule. Dens, packs, and patrols will be able to experience everything scheduled on that day. The average time at a station is about 40 minutes, with clean-up if needed and then time to travel to the next Adventure Area. Remember that as Scouts, we leave places better than we found them. Practice the principles of Leave no Trace and please take all trash you make with you. Trash stations will be available at Adventure Program Areas for you to dispose of your waste.

### **Questions or Concerns**

If questions or concerns arise during your stay at camp, please direct these to the Camp Director or Program Director. Individual staff members may not have the ability to solve the issue. Solutions come from communication—let camp leadership assist you with your needs.

### **Camp Security**

Emergency plans will be discussed with Den Leaders prior to the start of their program. Emergency plans will be posted in each activity area, along with the phone numbers for contacting the appropriate staff.

Cubs, siblings, leaders, adult partners, and staff must wear wristbands and/or nametags while in camp. This identification is presented at the time of check-in.

## **National and Camp Policies**

### **National Policies**

- All Overnight Adult Partners must provide Youth Protection Training Certificates, PA State Background Checks, Child Abuse Clearances, and FBI Fingerprint Checks.
- Packs are required to have at least 2 adults per den per day in attendance at camp if the den has less than ten Scouts.
- With their adult partner, Tigers may participate in Scout-parent excursions, day camps, pack overnights, council-organized family camping, or resident camping.
- All vehicles will be kept in the assigned parking area for each camp.
- Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation and all Satellite Camp locations are smoke-free facilities.
- In compliance with Pennsylvania State Health and Safety Codes, no dogs or other pets are permitted by campers or leaders during the camping season. If there is a service animal requirement, please reach out to the leadership team.
- Any Scout who is absent or a no-show must be verified by a pack Leader at the discretion of the Camp Leadership.
- Any Scout or adult leader leaving camp at any time other than the day's end needs to check out with the Cub Scout Leadership team prior to departure. Scouts will only be released to their parent or guardian with written permission and proper identification.
- Per National Standards — For Males, swim trunks or board shorts, tight-fitting swim trunks, or drag shorts are not permitted. For Females, bikini suits are not suitable; modest tankinis or monokinis are permitted.
- Per National policy — No one 18 and over is allowed in the youth changing area or shower house.
- Candid and action photos will be taken throughout the week for use in council promotional materials, including social media. Scouts will never be identified by name. All photos will be taken in compliance with Youth Protection and with Scout safety in mind. Should a parent not wish their child's picture to be used, they must fill out and submit an opt-out form.

### **Alcohol, Tobacco, and Illegal Drugs**

The Boy Scouts of America strictly prohibit tobacco use during Day Camp. This includes, but is not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, snus, dip, and vaping. Any adult found to be consuming tobacco will be asked to store it in their vehicle or consume it off-property.

The use of alcohol or illegal drugs at Day Camp is strictly prohibited by the Boy Scouts of America. Anyone found to be possessing, using, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be asked to leave the grounds immediately. If camp leadership believes that person is incapable of driving and poses a danger to self and others, authorities will be contacted to escort that person home.

Be sure to model appropriate and Scout-like behavior in your choices, actions, and words throughout Camp. Encourage your fellow adults to remember this as well.

### **Drivers, Drop-Offs, and Pick-Ups**

Any Scout or adult leader leaving camp at any time other than the day's end needs to check out with Cub Scout Camp Leadership prior to departure. Scouts will only be released to their parent or guardian with written permission and proper identification.

Scouts arriving late should be accompanied by their adult partner to check in with a member of the Cub Scout Camp Leadership Team or Health Officer.

Camp leadership reserves the right to request verification of any individual visiting camp.

If a Scout needs to be picked up by someone other than a parent or legal guardian, we reserve the right to see identification and/or check approval from the parent/legal guardian through the Camper Pick-Up Authorization Form.

The National Council Policy has established the following guidelines for those driving Scouts to an event:

- o All drivers must possess a valid license
- o All drivers must be 21 years old or older
- o All vehicles must have a valid inspection sticker.
- o A relief driver is a good precaution
- o Minimum liability insurance between \$50,000-\$1000,000
- o Truck beds may not carry passengers
- o PA law requires seat belts to be worn. One child per seat belt is required
- o Traffic regulations must be adhered to
- o If bus transportation is utilized, a proper license and certified driver with insurance verification must be given to the pack leadership.

## **Youth Protection at camp**

Youth Protection at Camp Pennsylvania Child Protective Services Act #15 All agencies and institutions who deal with youth in Pennsylvania are required to comply with the requirements of Act 15. This is a legal requirement of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and is separate from, and in addition to, all BSA policies. '

The unit is responsible for ensuring that all adults who plan to stay at camp for 24 hours or more must have completed the three required volunteer clearances. For more details on these requirements and how to obtain the clearances, go to the “Keep Kids Safe” website ([keepkidssafe.pa.gov](http://keepkidssafe.pa.gov)).

### Essential Youth Protection Guidelines

- Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation and the Hawk Mountain Council adhere to all Youth Protection guidelines of the Boy Scouts of America.
- Cub Scout Leaders should review youth protection guidelines with all adults who will be serving as leaders in camp.
- All adults involved in Scouting are mandated reporters and shall report to local authorities any good-faith suspicion or belief that any child is or has been abused. Ensure the child is in a safe environment. In cases of medical emergencies, contact the Health Officer immediately.

The following barriers to abuse within Scouting are used at camp to ensure the safety of our campers. All adults are required to follow these guidelines:

- **Two deep leadership:** The foundation of our Youth Protection program.
- **The buddy system:** The buddy system for youth is required.
- **No one-on-one contact:** Personal conferences must take place in plain view of others.
- **Respect of privacy:** Separate shower facilities are provided for youth and adults, as well as males and females. Adults may intrude on privacy only for emergency health and safety concerns. The use of smartphones, cameras, mirrors, etc., in places or situations where privacy is expected, is prohibited.
- **Separate accommodations:** Cub Scout youth may only share a tent with an adult if it is their guardian. Male and female leaders may only share a tent if they are married. Scouts may not share tents with Scouts of the opposite gender or with other Scouts with more than a 2-year age difference.
- Inappropriate public displays of affection and any sexual activity is prohibited.
- **Appropriate attire:** Proper clothing is always required. Swimwear at camp should be modest. For males, swim trunks or board shorts are appropriate. Tight-fitting swim briefs or drag shorts are not allowed. For females, bikinis are not allowed. Modest tankinis or one-piece swimsuits are appropriate.
- **Constructive discipline:** Discipline should be constructive and reflect Scouting’s values. Corporal punishment is never permitted.
- **Hazing and bullying prohibited:** Physical hazing, bullying, and initiations of any type are prohibited and may not be included as part of any Scouting activity.

## Program Specific Information

### Satellite Camps on our Jungle Cruise

- **June 19-23:** Daniel Boone Homestead, Birdsboro
- **June 26-30:** Maiers Grove Park, Blandon

- **July 10-14:** Red Caboose Park, Spring Twp.

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### Program Times

The Day Camp Program begins promptly at **9:00 AM** and ends at **????** Monday through Friday.

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**Check-in for units on Monday begins at 8:00 AM.** This is critical to the success of the entire camp, as the start of programs for all Cub Scouts may be delayed. Your daily schedule will be shared with your leaders upon arrival.

If you cannot make it to camp by 8:30 AM on Monday morning, please notify the Camp Director ASAP by calling 570.754.7552.

**The following completed items should be turned in during Monday Check-in:**

- Cub Scout Roster
- Adult/Sibling Roster
- BSA standard Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A & B) for **ALL** in attendance that week
- Final Transmittal Form

### Lunches

All participants will be required to bring their own lunches. Lunches will be collected upon arrival to camp and will be refrigerated until the scheduled lunch time.

Snacks will be provided daily.

### What to Bring

To help you prepare for your time at camp, here is a list of camping equipment that is recommended throughout your camping experience. **It is recommended that Scouts label their belongings with their name and Pack number.**

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## Descriptions of 2023 Program Offerings

This program will provide Scouts in Tigers through Bears the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities, themed fun, and spotlight programs honoring the history and culture specific to the area of each Satellite Camp.

**WILD Water Activities:** Scouts, parents, and siblings can enjoy fun in the sun on the hottest day of the week with water games and activities!

**Shooting Sports:** Satellite Day Camps will include shooting sports activities, although they may differ from the offerings at HMSR due to local rules and regulations.

**Scout Skills:** Cub Scouts will work on rank achievements while learning skills to make them Jungle Safari Explorers!

**Safari Search:** Cub Scouts will master their compass and orienteering skills on their trek through the Safari and Savannah!

**Nature:** Scouts will have the opportunity to explore and study nature in the environment around them.

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**Adventure Sessions may also include:**

- o Science or STEM
- o Songs and Skits
- o Field Games



o Fishing

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### Special Note

Keep your binoculars on the lookout for additional program information and exciting details specific to these Satellite Day Camps to be shared at a later date. **Detailed information for Satellite camps will be shared in separate site-specific program guides.**



## Program Specific Information

### Day Camp at HMSR Camp DuPortail

#### Check-In Procedures

The Day Camp Program begins promptly at **9:00 AM** and ends at **3:30 PM** Monday through Friday.

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If you cannot make it to camp by 8:30 AM on Monday morning, please notify the Camp Director ASAP by calling 570.754.7552.

All vehicles will be kept in the assigned parking areas. **One adult per pack is asked to report to the Welcome Center to take attendance and receive group assignments and program books.**

The rest of the week, attendance will be taken through callouts on the Parade Field prior to opening. A leader must also turn in a daily roster of all Scouts, Siblings, and Leaders in attendance to Cub Scout Camp Leadership each morning. Please see a daily roster at the end of this Leader Guide.

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- Swim Classification Roster
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## Lunches

**All participants will be required to bring their own lunches. Lunches will be collected upon arrival to camp and will be refrigerated until the scheduled lunch time.**

Snacks will be provided daily.

The Cub Trading Post will be open during and after lunch for Siesta time.

More specific lunch procedures will be shared at a later date.

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## Choose Your Adventure: Open Program Times

Open Program will be offered Monday-Thursday after closing flags from 3:30-4:30 pm. This is an optional open program opportunity for Scouts and Dens to visit program areas of interest. Depending on camp attendance, sign-ups may be utilized for slots at specific program areas.

### Check-Out Procedures

Check-out will be informal. Following the end of the daily program at 3:30 pm, we will gather on the Parade Field for closing flags and announcements. An Optional Open Program will be offered following the closing ceremony Monday through Thursday. All Cub Scouts, Siblings, and Adult Partners must be off the reservation by 4:45 pm.



## Program Specific Information

### Cub Scout Resident Camp

#### Check-In Procedures

It is extremely important when signing up for camp that exact numbers are reserved. Camping spaces are limited.

**Time of Arrival:** On your first day, you should plan to arrive between 4:00 PM and 5:00 PM.

- If there is a large number of packs in attendance, an email communication will be sent out prior to your stay at camp from the Cub Scout Leadership Team. This email will share campsite assignments and specified check-in times to expedite and streamline the check-in process.

**Parking & Unloading:** All vehicles must be parked in the parking lot. One vehicle may enter with gear but must return to the parking lot. No vehicle will be allowed to go to their campsite until a vehicle pass is issued. This pass may be obtained upon check-in. **Riding in the back of an open vehicle is prohibited.**

**Check-In:** One leader must go to the Welcome Center in the main lower parking lot for check-in. Please bring the Pack Roster Forms at that time. You will then be directed as to where you should proceed next.

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## Campsite Set-Up

The rest of the afternoon is spent readying your campsite for your stay.

## Leadership

For Cub Resident Camp, your Pack will travel together as a Pack, regardless of rank. This will give your Pack the opportunity to experience the outdoors and this fun experience together! Each Tiger Cub must have an adult partner. Each Pack must also provide 2 adult leaders per rank (per day). An individual Scout may also register and travel with their adult partner.

It is encouraged to secure a Den Chief for your pack. This will help in many areas of camp, especially at the shower house.

## Meals

Hawk Mountain employs qualified food service staff to provide quality food for everyone. A licensed dietitian has reviewed the menus for balanced nutrition. Three meals per day are served, beginning with dinner on the evening of your arrival to camp and ending with breakfast on the morning of your departure.

If campers or adults have a special dietary need, please contact the Director of Camping and Outdoor Programs at least 2 weeks prior to your attendance at camp by emailing a completed Dietary Form to [michele.bement@scouting.org](mailto:michele.bement@scouting.org). Dietary forms can be accessed during registration on Black Pug or at <https://hmc-bsa.org/hmsr-resources-page/>. Copies of menus can

also be provided in advance. In some cases, bringing supplemental food items to camp is encouraged.

## Mealtime Specifics

**Breakfast:** Will be picked up by the designated campsite Unit Leader from Willits Dining Hall. Packs will enjoy their breakfasts in the heart of camp – your campsite.

**Lunch:** Will be served as a “grab and go” picnic-style lunch from Miller Dining Hall.

**Dinner:** Will be served family style in Miller Dining Hall with evening dinner programming.

- Each Pack is required to designate an adult or den chief to act as a dinner server. During dinner, the server will enter the Kitchen to receive platters and any required utensils for dinner. At the end of any meal, it is the Pack’s responsibility as Scouts to clean up after themselves.

## Uniforms

Field Uniforms (Class A) are encouraged but not required for dinner and evening flag ceremonies.

### Activities at Camp

The morning program will consist of assigned activities on a rotating schedule. You will receive this schedule at camp. The afternoon and evening programs will provide a combination of specialty nighttime program offerings and allow you to choose from activities to create a unique program that meets your Pack’s needs.

## Descriptions of 2023 Program Offerings

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## What to Bring

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## Resident Camp Policies

The Scout Oath and Law are our guiding principles at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation. We expect each adult to provide guidance within the Pack to follow these principles, the policies of the Camp, the Council, and the BSA.

- **Leaving & Arriving:** All campers and leaders must stop by the Welcome Center at check-in and check-out to complete the necessary documentation. Anyone arriving at camp after official check-in must sign in and register at the Welcome Center.
- **Visitors:** All visitors must sign in at the Reservation Office at the Welcome Center immediately upon arrival. Visiting Leaders and registered adults desiring meals at the Dining Hall can be accommodated if the camp is notified 24 hours in advance. The



Reservation Director retains the right to prohibit visitors in camp. All visitors must sign out at the Welcome Center when leaving. The cost for Guest Meals is \$10.

- **Fireworks:** Possession or use of fireworks in camp is prohibited and is cause for removal.
- **Fuels:** Flammable liquids are generally prohibited from use in camp. This includes fire-starting liquids/gels.
- **Campfires:** All campfires may not be constructed more than 3 ft. high. Existing fire rings may not be enlarged, and no new fire rings may be built anywhere. Chainsaws may only be used with permission from the Ranger. Ash from fire rings should not be dumped or scattered.
- **Camp Property:** Individuals and units will be charged for repairing or replacing camp property damaged because of vandalism, misuse, or neglect.
- **Pets:** We do not permit pets in camp by campers or leaders. If you have a special need requiring a service dog, please contact Michele Bement at [michele.bement@scouting.org](mailto:michele.bement@scouting.org).
- **First Aid:** All illnesses and injuries must be reported to the Health Office for treatment and recording. All medications must be either in the Health Center or locked storage in the campsite.
- **Firewood:** May be gathered or picked up at the compound. Firewood may not be brought into the camp from anywhere outside the State of Pennsylvania.

## Campsite and Facilities Expectations

Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation is a year-round facility maintained by the Hawk Mountain Council. Campers and adults must be good stewards of Hawk Mountain facilities, equipment, and environment so that they may remain for others to enjoy in the future.

## Campsite Equipment

Each site is equipped with canvas tents, platforms, and cots based on the recommended capacity for your site. In addition, sites contain picnic tables, bulletin board, fire cans, pavilions, and a flag and flagpole. Each latrine has general maintenance and cleaning supplies. Additional supplies are available. Please share your needs with Cub Scout Camp Leadership.

## Tent Care

To maintain the quality and durability of our tents, please follow these guidelines:

- Loosen tent ropes slightly when it rains. Canvas shrinks when drying and will tear if the ropes are too tight.
- Do not put clothes hangers on any poles; it causes tears and leaks.
- Do not put nails in tents, tent poles, or platforms.
- No flames of any kind are allowed in tents. Battery-powered or solar-powered lighting should be used.
- Tent platforms may not be moved.

- Tents are 7x9ft. The angle of the roof is 7-8 feet. It is recommended that you bring an 8x10 foot tarp and twine to attach the tarps to the frame. This will help keep your tent dry.

## Trash

- Each site has a large trash barrel. This barrel is for your trash bags.
- Trash will be picked up every evening. Please have a den chief or designated leader remove the bag from the barrel and set it near the entrance to your campsite.

## Check Out Procedures

Check-out will occur on the morning of your last day, after breakfast. A member of the Cub Scout Camp Staff will conduct a campsite inspection. Once the Campsite inspection is conducted, Pack Leaders can meet a Cub Scout Camp Leadership team member to receive their exit packets. Packs can then retrieve vehicles and move out of camp. All Packs must be off the reservation by 11:00 am on your final day.

Packs departing earlier than the designated check-out date and time must notify the Camp Leadership in advance.



## Program Specific Information Webelos Resident Camp

### Check-In Procedures

It is extremely important when signing up for camp that exact numbers are reserved. Camping spaces are limited.

**Time of Arrival:** On your first day, you should plan to arrive between 1:00 PM and 3:30 PM.

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- If there is a large number of packs in attendance, an email communication will be sent out prior to your stay at camp from the Cub Scout Leadership Team. This email will share campsite assignments and specified check-in times to expedite and streamline the check-in process.

Upon check-in, if you have not already, you will receive your Campsite Assignments, Schedules, and other information vital to your stay.

**Parking & Unloading:** All vehicles must be parked in the parking lot. One vehicle may enter with gear but must return to the parking lot. No vehicle will be allowed to go to their campsite until a vehicle pass is issued. This pass may be obtained upon check-in. **Riding in the back of an open vehicle is prohibited.**

**Check-In:** One leader must go to the Welcome Center in the main lower parking lot for check-in. Please bring the Pack Roster Forms at that time. You will then be directed as to where you should proceed next.

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## Swim Evaluations

Anyone that still needs to be swim tested should have their swimsuit and towel readily available at check-in.

## Campsite Set-Up

The rest of the afternoon is spent readying your campsite for your stay.

## Leadership

For Webelos Resident Camp, your Den will travel together. Individual Dens will maintain their unit integrity and will move as a group within an assigned Patrol. Dens must provide at least Two (2) Leaders per Den per Session. Adult Partners attending camp will stay with their Pack and provide supervision, along with assisting the Cub Scout Camp Staff.

## Leader's Meeting

A Leader's meeting will be held on the porch of the Camp Meade Administration Building at 4:15 pm on the night of Check-In. Important Information about your stay will be addressed at this meeting. Make sure one leader is in attendance. This is mandatory and necessary to your camping experience. Please be prompt.

## Meals

Hawk Mountain employs qualified food service staff to provide quality food for everyone. A licensed dietitian has reviewed the menus for balanced nutrition. Three meals per day are served, beginning with dinner on the evening of your arrival to camp and ending with breakfast on the morning of your departure.

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**Lunch:** Will be served as a “grab and go” picnic-style lunch from Willits Dining Hall.

**Dinner:** Will be served family style in Willits Dining Hall with evening dinner programming.

- Your first meal in camp is dinner. One Scout and one leader should come to the dining hall 15 minutes before the evening meal for set-up. If your group is larger than 10, please plan to have an adult seated at each table. During dinner, the server will enter the kitchen to receive platters and any required utensils for dinner. At the end of any meal, it is the Pack’s responsibility as Scouts to clean up after themselves.

## Uniforms

Field Uniforms (Class A) are encouraged but not required for dinner and evening flag ceremonies.

## Retreat Ceremony

The colors are retired daily. Please be sure to have your pack in attendance.

## Activities at Camp

The morning program will consist of assigned activities on a rotating schedule. You will receive this schedule at camp. The afternoon and evening programs will provide a combination of Adventure sessions and specialty nighttime open program offerings that allow you to choose from activities to create a unique program that meets your Den’s needs. The most important aspect of your stay in Camp with your Webelos is the time you take together to have fun as a Den.

## Advancement Adventure Sessions

It is important to note that only the Webelos and Arrow of Light Den Leaders may approve advancements. Camp Staff will instruct related skills, but **your leaders must record any advancement.** HMSR will offer Adventures for Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts. Scouts will have the opportunity to register for adventure sessions that interest them to prepare them for merit badge sign-ups as they transition to Scouts BSA.

**There will be an opportunity to register for Adventures online prior to your session. Dates for registration will be announced on April 23rd.** Fishing, hiking, or conservation projects could also be done during these periods in addition to enjoying some quality den time. A list of Adventures being offered will be shared on the council website prior to registration opening. There will be an opportunity for Leaders to sign-up their Scouts for Adventure Sessions following the Leader Meeting on your day of arrival but registering in advance is highly encouraged.

## Descriptions of 2023 Program Offerings

**Boating** - This prescheduled activity begins with safety instructions. Boys and adults will be paired according to their swimming ability.

**Shooting Sports** - No stay in camp would be complete without a visit to the BB and Archery ranges. These activities begin with safety instructions and handling procedures.

**Outdoor Cooking** - During your stay in camp, one meal will be prepared in the campsite. The Commissary Staff will deliver the food to your campsite.

**Campfire** - Weather permitting, your first night at camp will offer this long-standing tradition. Supervised campsite campfires are also permitted.

**Closing Campfire** - Last evening of Session - Parents and Friends are welcome to attend the campfire program.

**Fishing** - Scouts with adult supervision can spend some relaxing time fishing from the shore of the lake. This can be elected instead of an advancement program.

**Games** - These events will be a challenge, involving physical fitness, imagination, and good old-fashioned fun.

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To maintain the quality and durability of our tents, please follow these guidelines:

- Loosen tent ropes slightly when it rains. Canvas shrinks when drying and will tear if the ropes are too tight.
- Do not put clothes hangers on any poles; it causes tears and leaks.



- Do not put nails in tents, tent poles, or platforms.
- No flames of any kind are allowed in tents. Battery-powered or solar-powered lighting should be used.
- Tent platforms may not be moved.
- Tents are 7x9ft. The angle of the roof is 7-8 feet. It is recommended that you bring an 8x10 foot tarp and twine to attach the tarps to the frame. This will help keep your tent dry.

### Trash

- Each site has a large trash barrel. This barrel is for your trash bags.
- Trash will be picked up every evening. Please have a den chief or designated leader remove the bag from the barrel and set it near the entrance to your campsite.

### Check Out Procedures

Check-out will occur on the morning of your last day, after breakfast. A member of the Cub Scout Camp Staff will conduct a campsite inspection. Once the Campsite inspection is conducted, Pack Leaders can meet a Cub Scout Camp Leadership team member at the Camp Meade Office to receive their exit packets. Packs can then retrieve vehicles and move out of camp. All Packs must be off the reservation by 11:00 am on your final day.

Packs departing earlier than the designated check-out date and time must notify the Camp Leadership in advance.

## Cub Scout Camp Personnel and Emergency Contact List

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JJ Miller <b>Council Camping Committee Chair</b>	
<b>HMSR Welcome Center</b>	570-754-7552
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<b>Local Emergency Numbers</b>	
<b>Emergency</b>	911
<b>Summit Station Fire Company</b>	570-754-3491
<b>PA State Police Barracks</b>	570-593-2000
<b>Penn State St. Joes Health Center</b>	610-488-7080

**COVID-19 Guidelines and Restrictions**

The Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation is currently updating our 2023 procedures to comply with the CDC and PA Department of Health guidelines. 2023 summer camp policies will be available after June 1st. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Michele Bement at [michele.bement@scouting.org](mailto:michele.bement@scouting.org).

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