

HAWK MOUNTAIN COUNCIL CUB GAMES

2024 CUB SCOUT SUMMER CAMP LEADER / PARENTS GUIDE

CUB RESIDENT CAMPS

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HAWK MOUNTAIN SCOUT RESERVATION DAY CAMP

August 5th - August 9th



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February 7th, 2024

Dear Unit Leaders and parents:

Is your pack ready to embark on an exhilarating journey filled with Olympic-sized challenges and victories? Gather your Cub Scouts and gear up for an electrifying time! Our dedicated team is in full stride, preparing for an extraordinary summer camp program for our 2024 Cub Scout Games! Get ready to unleash the spirit of the games and showcase your extraordinary skills on a legendary summer adventure with us! Join the Hawk Mountain Council as we host our most thrilling event yet! This summer, we invite you to participate in our Olympic-themed camp programs, celebrating the athletic prowess of Cub Scouts at our 2024 summer camps.

Here is your guide to the 2024 Cub Scout Day Camp program. It is packed with information crafted to assist you in gearing up for the day camp programs. Please carefully review the enclosed details and share the relevant sections with any parents or leaders who will be joining us for summer camp.

Our aim is to provide your young Cubs Scouts with an unforgettable summer camp experience. The Council continues to enhance facilities and introduce new programs to ensure our Scouts relish their Cub Scouting experiences as they progress through the Scouting program. This year we are excited to bring our neighborhood day camps back! Our team will visit you on our "Olympic Torch Relay" throughout the Hawk Mountain Council! This program is designed to offer Cub Scouts who might not otherwise have the chance to participate in a day camp the opportunity to be part of the Olympic Adventure at a Neighborhood Day Camp closer to home! We will also continue to offer several opportunities for Cub Scouts at the sunny Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation. Keep an eye out for more specific program information and exciting details to be revealed at a later date.

Your adults participating in our Olympic camp program(s) are encouraged to attend our Cub Scout Day Camp webinars.

Our Cub Scout Day Camp Leadership Team is eager to meet with you to share the insider details about this summer's program activities and to ignite the Olympic Spirit and Excitement!

Yours in Scouting,
David McKeown
Michele Bement
Cub Scout Camp Leadership Team

2024 CUB SCOUT CAMP SCHEDULE

Cub Scout Camp Webinar dates sessions

No registration necessary and all are welcome.

- Sunday March 3, 2024, at 6pm
<http://bit.ly/49quZfO>
- Sunday, April 7, 2024, at 6 p.m.
<https://bit.ly/3OEh2To>

In person Cub Scout Camp leaders/parents meeting

- Sunday April 21, 2024, at 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
 - At the Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

CUB RESIDENT CAMPS AT HMSR

Cub Overnight Camp 6/14 - 6/16 and 6/30 - 7/2

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HMSR DAY CAMP

August 5th - August 9th at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation

CUB SCOUT OVERNIGHT CAMPING OPPORTUNITIES

HMSR CUB RESIDENT CAMP (OVERNIGHT)

Session 1: Friday, June 14 thru Sunday, June 16

Session 2: Sunday, June 30 thru Tuesday, July 2

Address: 402 Blue Mountain Rd, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972

We are thrilled to announce our Cub Resident Camp for 2024. This adventure is open to Cub Scouts of any rank and promises to be a memorable 3-day, 2-night stay amidst the beauty of the Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation.

Accommodations: Premium campsites with a pavilion and platform canvas tents equipped with cots.

Activities: Traditional camp activities like BB, fishing, archery, team building games and more. We will also offer evening program activities, campfire program, dining hall experience and more. We will feature elements from the new Cub Scout Program introduced by the Boy Scouts of America.

This program is designed to offer a blend of fun, learning, and the joy of spending quality time together in the great outdoors. Whether your Cub Scout is a seasoned camper or a first timer, this adventure provides a perfect opportunity for families to create lasting memories.

Keep an eye out for further details, including the full schedule, arrival, and departure times, as well as a list of what to bring.

We look forward to welcoming your Cub Scout to an unforgettable overnight adventure.

HMSR WEBELOS RESIDENT (OVERNIGHT)

Session 1: Tuesday, June 18 thru Friday, June 21

Session 2: Wednesday, July 3 thru Saturday, July 6

Address: 402 Blue Mountain Rd, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972

We are excited to extend an exclusive invitation to all Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts for our specialized Summer Camp Programming just for them at the Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation.

This 4-day, 3-night program is tailored specifically for our Webelos/Arrow of Light Scouts utilizing some of the new material rolled out by the BSA this year.

Included:

- Rank Advancement Opportunities
- Themed fun and engaging activities
- Scouts BSA experiences
- Stepping-stone camping experience for transition.
- Campfires, outdoor adventures, and more.

This camping experience is carefully designed to provide your Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts with the skills, confidence, and excitement they need as they prepare for their transition to Scouts BSA. We encourage you to consider this summer camp experience as it is crafted to provide a unique and enriching adventure for your Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts.

Keep an eye out for further details, including the full schedule, arrival, and departure times, as well as a list of what to bring.

We look forward to welcoming your Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts to an unforgettable Summer Camp at the Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation.

CUB SCOUT TWILIGHT CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

TWILIGHT CAMP AT BAREFIELD PARK

Time: Monday, July 8 thru Friday, July 12 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.*

Address: 823 Terry Reiley Way, Pottsville, PA 17901

For the first time ever the Hawk Mountain Council will be offering twilight camps for Cub Scouts. These camps will function much like our day camp program but will allow families that otherwise might not be able to attend a day camp program the opportunity to take part in a unique, fun twilight camp. This program will provide Scouts in Tigers through Bears the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities. Shooting sports activities may be offered, although they may differ from the offerings at HMSR due to local rules and regulations.

Program Times

Twilight Camp program begins promptly at **5:30 p.m.** and ends at **8:30 p.m.** Monday through Friday.

Check-in for units on Monday begins at 5:00 p.m.

TWILIGHT CAMP AT CACOOSING MEADOWS

Time: Monday, July 22 thru Friday, July 26 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.*

Address: 1049 Reedy Rd, Sinking Spring, PA 19608

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Program Times

Twilight Camp program begins promptly at **5:30 p.m.** and ends at **8:30 p.m.** Monday through Friday.

Check-in for units on Monday begins at 5:00 p.m.

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

DAY CAMP AT DANIEL BOONE HOMESTEAD

Time: Tuesday, June 25 thru Friday, June 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

Address: 400 Daniel Boone Rd, Birdsboro, PA 19508

Our Volunteers will carry the torch to the historic Daniel Boone Homestead location and offer three days of fun in the sun for your Cub Scouts. 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 Neighborhood Day Camp. This program will provide Scouts in Tigers through Bears the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities. Shooting sports activities may be offered, although they may differ from the offerings at HMSR due to local rules and regulations.

Program Times

The Day Camp Program begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday.

Check-in for units on Wednesday begins at 8:00 a.m. Your daily schedule will be shared with your leaders upon arrival.

DAY CAMP AT THE HAWK MOUNTAIN COUNCIL OFFICE

Time: Wednesday, July 17 thru Friday, July 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

Address: 5027 Pottsville Pike, Reading, PA 19605

Our Volunteers will carry the torch to the Hawk Mountain Council Office location and offer three days of fun in the sun for your Cub Scouts. 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 Neighborhood Day Camp. Tigers through Bears will have the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities. Shooting sports activities may be offered, although they may differ from the offerings at HMSR due to local rules and regulations.

Program Times

The Day Camp Program begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m.

Check-in for units on Wednesday begins at 8:00 a.m. Your daily schedule will be shared with your leaders upon arrival.

HAWK MOUNTAIN SCOUT RESERVATION DAY CAMP

Time: Monday, August 5 thru Friday, August 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

Address: 402 Blue Mountain Rd, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972

Join us for a good time at Camp DuPortail, our Cub Scout Camp, at 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 and twilight 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.

Lunch will not be provided. Scouts, leaders and parents will be asked to pack a lunch. Upon arrival, place your lunch bags in your pack's designated bins. Staff will take your lunches to the dining hall where they will be kept in walk-in coolers. 3

Program Times

The HMSR Day Camp Program begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:20 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. Check-in for units on Monday begins at 8:00 a.m. Your daily schedule will be shared with your leaders upon arrival.

2024 CAMP PRICES

CUB SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP

- Scouts and Participating Scout-Aged Youth \$145
- 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 \$220
- Adult Fee \$75 (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.

TWILIGHT CAMPS AND DAY CAMP AT HMC OFFICE

- \$75 Scouts and Participating Scout-Aged Youth
- Non-Participating Sibling Free (Covers insurance and snacks)
- \$5 Adult Fee (Covers insurance and snacks)

NEIGHBORHOOD DAY CAMP AT THE DANIEL BOONE HOMESTEAD

- \$125 Scouts and Participating Scout-Aged Youth
- Non-Participating Sibling Free (Covers insurance and snacks)
- \$20 Adult Fee (Covers insurance and snacks)

DAY CAMP AT HMSR

- \$175 Scouts and Participating Scout-Aged Youth
- \$20 limited-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.

CAMP FEE SCHEDULE

2024 Season

- Initial Deposit: Payment of \$50.00 per Scout due at registration.
- Registration **MUST** be made in full by **June 1st**.
 - Any registrations after June 1st 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 the event registration system 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 12 of this Leader Guide.

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

- **May 1st** — Campership Applications due to Council.
- **June 1st** — Final Payment of balance due for all attending camp.
- **After June 1st** — 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 and out of Council campers. Please see this guide's Fees section (page 10) 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 maximum flexibility to Scouts and their families while protecting the council's prepaid 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 for more information. Applications are also available via the Council website <https://hmc-bsa.org/>.

PRE-CAMP LEADER CHECKLIST

February

- Promotion efforts at your Pack's Blue and Gold Banquet
- Plan necessary fundraisers to support your trip.
- 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 the event registration system and turn in the initial \$50 participant deposit fee. Registration opens on March 15th.

Cub Scout Camp Webinars

No registration necessary and all are welcome.

- Sunday March 3, 2024, at 6pm
 - <http://bit.ly/49quZfO>
- Sunday, April 7, 2024, at 6 p.m.
 - <https://bit.ly/3OEh2To>

In person Cub Scout Camp leaders/parents meeting

Sunday April 21, 2024, at 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
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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, 2024 (**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. Medicals will be collected at check-in.

CUB SCOUT CAMP PERSONNEL AND EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST

Michele Bement Director of Camping and Outdoor Programs	610-780-9918
David McKeown Cub Scout Day Camp Program Director and HMSR On Site Director	570-789-9538
TBD Daniel Boone Homestead Site Director	
TBD Barefield Park Site Director	
TBD Hawk Mountain Council Site Director	
TBD Cacoosing Meadows Park Site Director	
Davis Fox Council Scout Executive	610-564-2175
JJ Miller Council Camping Committee Chair	610-568-8089
HMSR Welcome Center and Offices	570-754-7552
BFSC Council Office, Reading, PA	610-926-3406

Mailing Address

Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation
 402 Blue Mountain Road
 Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972