



# **2021 Camp in a Box**

**GUIDE FOR SCOUTS/UNIT LEADERS/  
AND PARENTS**

## **SCOUTS BSA**

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Mayflower Council  
Baden Powell Council  
Juniata Valley Council

Westmoreland Fayette Council  
Washington Crossing Council  
Five Rivers Council





# Greetings from the Camp in a Box Team!!

Thank you for choosing Susquehanna, Mayflower, Juniata Valley, Washington Crossing, Five Rivers, Westmoreland Fayette and Baden Powell Councils for your 2021 summer camping experience. We offer this Guide for Scouts, Unit leaders, and Parents to help you get just as excited and ready for camp as we are! This Guide is the primary resource for planning your camp experience. Please read through this guide thoroughly.

Camp in a Box 2021 provides the opportunity to select from 45 merit badge offerings and/or participation in the New Scout Program. The Scout will have the opportunity to complete all or most of the requirements for each merit badge offered. Seventeen of the merit badge offerings provide the Scout the opportunity to complete all of the requirements to earn the merit badge. Twenty-eight of the merit badge offerings provide the Scout the opportunity to complete most of the requirements to earn the merit badge but will require completion of selected requirements after Camp in a Box. After Camp in a Box, some Councils may provide in-person opportunities to complete some of the remaining requirements, but not all. Thus, the Scout will likely have to coordinate with a local counselor to complete many or all of the remaining requirements.

Scouts will have the opportunity to enroll in up to five offerings in a week – all merit badges or a combination of New Scout program classes and merit badges.

“Camp in a Box 2021” will be utilizing our online camp registration system. Scouts will have the choice to select a week and merit badge classes or rank classes. The system will automatically generate Blue Cards and Advancement Reports for [Troopmaster](#) and ScoutBook!

All BSA Online Youth Protection policies will be strictly followed. Our Councils take the safety and security of everyone seriously and will do everything possible to provide a positive online learning environment.

The week will include a Spirit Day on Wednesday! See page 13 for more details. Get your Troop theme and costumes together and get ready to have fun.

If you have any questions concerning your summer adventure, contact your local Council. For questions regarding registration assistance, please contact Dennis at

[dennis.dugan@scouting.org](mailto:dennis.dugan@scouting.org).

## Available Weeks:

Week 1 — July 19-23

Week 2 — Aug 2-6



## Register today at:

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/533-campinabox2021>

# 2021 Fees and Payments

## **YOUTH PARTICIPANT COST — \$135**

Fees cover access to up to five Merit Badges and online learning, AND camp t-shirt, camp patch, kits and supplies, bonus camp swag, shipping, and access to ALL THE FUN!

## **ADULT “BLING” BOX — \$50 (optional)**

Includes camp t-shirt, 2021 camp patch, bonus camp swag, gift from the Camp Directors, and shipping.

**\*\*Payment is due at the time of registration\*\***

## **ARE THERE ANY EXTRA FEES?**

No, Camp in a Box fees are all-inclusive. You may need to purchase some small items like pencils and notebooks for various programs or projects.

## **CAN I SIGN UP FOR AN EXTRA WEEK?**

Absolutely! Scouts can earn up to five merit badges each week.

## **ARE CAMPERSHIPS AVAILABLE?**

This varies by Council. Please contact your Council Office to see if they are offering assistance.

If you are from Susquehanna Council and would like to apply for a campership, please reach out to Dennis ([dennis.dugan@scouting.org](mailto:dennis.dugan@scouting.org)) before completing the registration process.

# THE CAMP IN A BOX ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM

“Camp in a Box 2021” offers advancement programs for Scouts of all levels including new Scouts, and merit badges for all skill levels.

## Planning Your Program at Camp

To get the most out of your Camp in a Box experience, time should be dedicated to planning your program prior to starting your week of camp. When selecting merit badges, we strongly encourage the Scout, along with a unit leader or parent, to first review all of the requirements for each merit badge under consideration to evaluate the time and work required to complete the requirements during Camp in a Box 2021. The Scout should note any advance work required or expected to be completed prior to the first day of Camp in a Box 2021, identified as prerequisite requirements or Be Prepared requirements (see page 7-8 for further explanation). Once the Scout has identified the merit badges they want to take, they should still meet or talk with their Scoutmaster before signing up. The most current requirements for each merit badge are available at [www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges](http://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges)

Scouts will be able to plan a schedule that allows them to get the most out of this Scouting opportunity. New Scouts can find details about an exciting summer camp experience in the New Scout Program on pages 5-6. Scouts can discover more about the merit badges offered at “Camp in a Box 2021” beginning on page 9. Please keep in mind that the opportunities you select should be aimed at meeting the needs of the individual Scout.

## Camp in a Box 2021 Staff

“Camp in a Box” Staff depend on our skilled, dedicated, and enthusiastic group of Scouts and Scouters to operate. Serving on camp staff is truly the experience of a lifetime. It’s a unique chance to learn, share your knowledge, be a leader, work with a team, and touch the lives of other Scouts!

## Accommodating Special Needs

The staff of “Camp in a Box 2021” is committed to fully including all Scouts in all aspects of the camp program. Often, meeting the needs of all campers and leaders requires minor adaptations of our instructional plans. One-on-one instruction, and other provisions can be made for Scouts or leaders because of physical disabilities, learning disabilities, medical conditions, religious practices or other special needs. Unit leaders or parents should contact their local Council in advance to outline the specific needs of Scouts and leaders in their Units.



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# New Scout Program

The New Scout Program is designed for scouts who are relatively new to the Scouts BSA program and have not yet completed many of the rank requirements for Tenderfoot through First Class. The classes are intended to prepare Scouts to complete requirements needed to advance to the ranks of Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class that can be taught outside of a unit's program. It is the responsibility of local unit leaders to verify that the Scout can complete each requirement and sign off on the Scout's advancement record.

## Digital and Hands-on Instruction

To accommodate as many scouts as possible in the Camp in a Box setting, the program will be split into three sessions based on the three rank levels of Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class.

Participants can sign up for all three sessions, or just the ones that would be the most beneficial to them. Each session will include classroom instruction and hands-on opportunities.

## Requirements to be covered:

The requirements that will be covered during Camp in a Box for each rank include requirements involving:

General Scouting Knowledge  
Compass and Map

Camping Knowledge  
First Aid

Safety Knowledge  
Knot Tying



For a list of specific requirements by rank, see page 6.

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## Rank Requirements to be covered (continued):

The requirements that will be covered during Camp in a Box for each rank are provided in the following table.

They include requirements involving:

<u>Ranks</u>	<u>Training provided for these requirements</u>	<u>Training responsibility left to Unit</u>
<b>Tenderfoot</b>	2c,3a,3b,3c,4,5,8	1,2a,2b,3d,6,7,9,10,11
<b>Second Class</b>	1b,2a,2f,2g,3a,3c,5a,5d,6c,6d,6e,8b,9	1a,1c,2b,2c,2d,2e,3b,3d,4,5b,5c,6a,6b,7,8a,8c,8d,8e,10,11,12
<b>First Class</b>	3a,3b,5b,5c,5d,6b,6c,6d,7c,7d,7e,7f,9b	1,2,3c,3d,4,5a,6a,6e,7a,7b,8,9a,9c,9d,10,11,12,13



# 2021 Camp in a Box Merit Badges

All Merit Badges will use the most current requirements.

The most current requirements for each merit badge are available at [www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/](http://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/)

Scouts are strongly encouraged to use the merit badge pamphlet for each MB as a resource to prepare for completion of all requirements. The pamphlets are available from another scout, a troop library, and the council's scout store. Please have a parent or guardian's approval before doing any online research.

## Prerequisites and “Be Prepared” Requirements

Prior to coming to camp, it will necessary for each scout to complete or be prepared to complete the work on selected requirements for most merit badges (MB). Those requirements are categorized into one of two categories: 1) Prerequisite requirements (complete before camp) and 2) “Be Prepared” requirements (do or prepare before camp). The expectations for those two categories are described below.

### Prerequisite requirements

Before participating in the first class for the MB during Camp in a Box, the expectation is for the scout to complete the requirement. The scout must have evidence of completion, such as a card or certificate (like for the Totin' Chip or Cyber Chip), present a collection, or provide required documentation. In the case of the Cyber Chip, it must be current for their age at the time.

**If the scout has not completed the requirement before the first day of classes, for all MBs except Collections, the Scout will still be able to participate in the MB offering and complete the other requirements planned during the week. However, the Scout will not likely be able to complete the prerequisite requirements during the week and will receive a partial completion for the MB. Any prerequisite requirements not completed before the first day of classes will likely become post-event requirements.**

**See the MB offering table for the specific prerequisite requirements for each MB.**

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## **“Be Prepared” requirements**

Before participating in the first class for the MB during Camp in a Box, the expectation is for the scout to do the work to prepare to complete the requirement. This helps the scout prepare for the best experience. Examples of such requirements are:

- **research**
- **learn the required information**
- **take notes**
- **prepare something in writing**
- **visit a place or location**

Thus, the scout is prepared to complete the final step at the first class to complete a requirement by “showing their stuff” to the counselor. The preparation is so that the scout can demonstrate to his counselor during the first class session, without any additional time or instruction, that he is able to meet the requirement as stated, such as being able to:

- **Verbally discuss**
- **Verbally explain**
- **Verbally describe**
- **Present the required information (such as a list)**
- **Submit information in writing**
- **Provide a drawing, sketch, plan, etc.**

In most cases, if the scout is not prepared to complete the requirement upon arrival, they will not be able to complete that requirement and will receive a partial completion of those requirements for the MB. In some cases, if the scout is not prepared, at the discretion of the counselor, the scout may be allowed to do the work on their own during the week to prepare for completion of the requirement and make special arrangements for completion of the requirement before the week ends.

**See the MB offering table for the specific “Be Prepared” requirements for each MB.**

## **Select sub-requirements**

Select sub-requirements are requirements where the Scout has the option of selecting one or more sub-requirements to complete the main requirement.

Before participating in the first class for the MB during Camp in a Box, the expectation is for the scout to review these requirements in advance and select the sub-requirement(s) that he/she plans to complete to meet the main requirement.

During the first class, the MB counselor will provide each Scout guidance or instructions on what they will need to do to complete each sub-requirement during the week.

**See the MB offering table for the specific select sub-requirements for each MB.**

## **Post-event requirements**

Post-event requirements are requirements that the Scout must complete after participation in Camp in a Box to earn the merit badge. After Camp in a Box, some Councils may provide in-person opportunities to complete some of these post-event requirements, but not all. Scouts should check with their local Council for information on these opportunities. However, the Scout will likely have to coordinate with a local counselor to complete many or all of the remaining requirements.



# Camp K in a Box

## Merit Badge List and Prerequisites

Merit Badge	Time	Difficulty	Pre-Req	Be Prepared	Select Sub Reqs	Post Event	Max Seats
American Business	4:00 PM	Time	none	1,6			
American Heritage	6:30 PM	Hard	none	1,6	2, 4, 5		
Animation	10:30 AM	Hard	none	1,5	2		
Archaeology	10:30 AM	Hard	none	1,9	7, 8	10	10
Archery	4:00 PM	Medium	none	1		5c-f {opt A & B}	
Art	1:00 PM	Easy	none	1,7	5		
Basketry	6:30 PM	Medium	none	1b			
Bird Study	4:00 PM	Medium	field guide	1,3*,11	8, 9	5	10
Canoeing	4:00 PM	Medium	2	1		4b,5b,7b,7c,8-12	
Chess	10:30 AM	Medium	none	1			
<b>Cit. in the World</b>	10:30 AM	Time	none	1	4, 7		10
<b>Coin Collecting</b>	2:30 PM	Medium	6,9	1	5		
Collections	1:00 PM	Medium	collection	7			
<b>Communication</b>	6:30 PM	Hard	none	9	1, 2, 6, 7	5, 8	10
Digital Technology	10:30 AM	Medium	1	2	6, 8, 9		
Electricity	10:30 AM	Hard	none	1	11		
Electronics	1:00 PM	Hard	none	1,6	4c	3a, 3b	
Energy	2:30 PM	Medium	none	1a,8		4	
<b>Family Life</b>	4:00 PM	Time	none	1		3, 5, 6b	
Fingerprinting	4:00 PM	Easy	none	1		4??	
<b>First Aid (2 sessions)</b>	1:00 PM 2:30 PM	Time Consuming	none	1,5		7a,8,10,11,13,14	10
Game Design	1:00 PM	Hard	none	8b		6,7	
Gardening	6:30 PM	Medium	none	1		2,4,8	



**\*This list is TENTATIVE\***

We are currently assembling our Merit Badge team and hope to offer as many of these offerings as possible.

<b>Camp K in a Box</b>							
<b>Merit Badge List and Prerequisites</b>							
<b>Merit Badge</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Difficulty</b>	<b>Pre-Req</b>	<b>Be Prepared</b>	<b>Select Sub Reqs</b>	<b>Post Event</b>	<b>Max Seats</b>
<b>Genealogy</b>	2:30 PM	Medium	None	1	5		
<b>Indian Lore</b>	10:30 AM	Medium	None	1	3,4,5	4,5	
<b>Kayaking</b>	4:00 PM	Medium	2	1		3a,6,7,8	
<b>Law</b>	1:00 PM	Hard	None	1,8	6,11	6	
<b>Leatherwork</b>	1:00 PM	Medium	None	1	5		
<b>Mammal Study</b>	2:30 PM	Easy/ Medium	None	1	3,4	3,5	
<b>Music</b>	2:30 PM	Hard	None	5	3,4		
<b>Nature</b>	2:30 PM	Medium	None	1		4	
<b>Painting</b>	10:30 AM	Easy	None	6,8	3		
<b>Photography</b>	1:00 PM	Medium	1a	1b,8	4	7	
<b>Public Health</b>	2:30 PM	Medium	None	1,8	5	7c	10
<b>Pulp and Paper</b>	1:00 PM	Medium	None	1,6,8		7	
<b>Safety</b>	4:00 PM	Hard	None	1,8		6	
<b>Salesmanship</b>	2:30 PM	Medium	None	1,7	5,6	4,5	
<b>Scholarship</b>	6:30 PM	Medium	1,3		2,4,5		
<b>Small Boat Sailing</b>	4:00 PM	Hard	2	1		6,7	
<b>Space Exploration</b>	4:00 PM	Hard	None	1	5	3,7	
<b>Stamp Collecting</b>	6:30 PM	Medium	8	1,3	7	5	
<b>Textile</b>	6:30 PM	Medium	None	1,6	3		
<b>Theater</b>	2:30 PM	Medium	None	1	3,4	3	
<b>Weather</b>	6:30 PM	Medium	None	1,11	9	9	10
<b>Woodcarving</b>	10:30 AM	Medium	2a	1		4,6,7	

# 2021 Camp in a Box Program Schedule

Offerings Available By Class Start Time				
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday				
10:30 AM	1:00 PM	2:30 PM	4:00 PM	6:30 PM
Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	American Business	American Heritage
Animation	Art	Theater	Bird Study	Basketry
<b>Cit. in the World</b>	Collections	Energy	Kayaking	Stamp Collecting
Electricity	Electronics	Genealogy	Canoeing	<b>Communication</b>
Chess	Game Design	Mammal Study	Space Exploration	Textile
Indian Lore	Law	Public Health	<b>Family Life</b>	Music
Painting	Photography	Salesmanship	Small Boat Sailing	Scholarship
Archaeology	<b>First Aid Class 1</b>	<b>First Aid Class 2</b>	Fingerprinting	Weather
Digital Technology	Pulp and Paper	Coin Collecting	Archery	Gardening
Woodcarving	Leatherwork	Nature	Safety	

\* Subject to change

## **BOLD = EAGLE REQUIRED MERIT BADGE**

\*\* The times shown above are when you will have class session time. You will have time to work on the various requirements of the badges throughout the full week.

\*\* No classes are scheduled for Wednesday. Plan to work on various requirements. Counselors will be available by appointment if you have questions or need assistance.

**PLEASE NOTE** - If interested in Archery, Canoeing, Kayaking, or Small Boat Sailing, only sign up for one (1) of them. Each Council will conduct an in-person day to complete the post-event requirements, likely in the early fall. All four programs will take place at the same time. **It will not be possible to complete more than one Of these four merit badges at this in-person day.**

## Available Weeks:

Week 1 — July 19-23

Week 2 — Aug 2-6

## **Kits and supplies for merit badge offerings**

Kits and/or supplies will be sent in your box for selected merit badges. The following table lists the selected merit badges for which the Scout will receive a kit and/or supplies to complete some requirements and provides information on what will be provided.



The table also identifies the merit badges for which the Scout has the responsibility to provide materials and/or supplies to complete some requirements.

## ITEMS PROVIDED OR NEEDED FOR MERIT BADGES

<b><u>MB</u></b>	<b><u>Kit and/or supplies provided in box</u></b>	<b><u>Scout's responsibility</u></b>
<b>American Heritage</b>		Declaration of Independence at <a href="https://declaration.fas.harvard.edu/resources/text">https://declaration.fas.harvard.edu/resources/text</a>
<b>Animation</b>	3x3 Post-It pad	
<b>Archery</b>	Arrow Kit	
<b>Art</b>	charcoal and drawing paper	
<b>Basketry</b>	Camp Stool Kit or Basket Kit	
<b>Bird Study</b>		Will need: 1) a pair of binoculars and 2) to own or borrow a bird field guide or able to use a guide available online at <a href="http://audubon.org/birg-guide">audubon.org/birg-guide</a> .
<b>Chess</b>		able to use online chess games at <a href="https://www.chess.com">https://www.chess.com</a>
<b>Collections</b>		<b>Must already have a personal collection of some sort</b>
<b>Digital Technology</b>	Libre Office info	
<b>Electricity</b>	supplies for Rqmt 3 & 11	
<b>Electronics</b>	supplies for Rqmt 4c	
<b>Energy</b>	Rqmt 2a: supplies for two energy conversion systems	
<b>Fingerprinting</b>	print card and ink pad	
<b>Game Design</b>	a notebook	
<b>Indian Lore</b>	Indian Lore Kit	
<b>Leatherwork</b>	Leatherwork Kit	
<b>Painting</b>		Rqmt 3: Must have parental permission for two projects before presenting them
<b>Photography</b>		Must have a camera or phone that will upload images to a computer
<b>Pulp and Paper</b>	Rqmt 4: supplies to make a sheet of paper	
<b>Space Exploration</b>	Rocket Kit	
<b>Textile</b>	two small pieces of cloth (for dy-ing); supplies for Rqmt 3	

# Wednesday is Spirit Day

This year, we will take a wonderful mid-week break from badges to offer our Spirit Day fun and activities!

On Wednesday you will not be attending badges, or sessions of any kind. Instead it will be a day of nothing but fun and outdoor activities! These activities range from Troop/Patrol competitions, individual accomplishments, talent, and many other hoops you must jump through to gain points. Basically keep track of everything you do, have fun and you get points. More on points later.

**THEME:** Troops should be prepared to dress for Spirit Day with a theme. Your theme is chosen by your Troop. Just about any theme is a valid theme, (tv show, movie, book, color, sports team, etc.) however please avoid inappropriate or questionable concepts. The theme doesn't have to be scouting, but it does need to be scouting appropriate. Examples of themes you can pick include but are not limited to: superheroes, Hawaii, pirates, food, search and rescue, etc. Get a good group photo or video to upload on our Facebook page!

**POINTS:** As scouts and leaders go about on Spirit Day having fun and participating in the events, they will earn points for their troop. Some events will award more points than others, but points are awarded for every event. The size of your troop won't matter, as we have adjusted the complex mathematical formula that determines the winner of the day. We will even have individual awards for you Scouts who are braving this Camp by yourself. Just keep in mind this simple Q&A: "Are you having fun? Then you get points." The Spirit Awards will be given to the troops and individuals who gain the most points during Spirit Day throughout the various contests, videos and events. The winner of the Spirit Award not only gets bragging rights (like you need more than that), but prizes will go out to all participating Troops. Prizes also will be given out to the leading individuals.

**OBJECTIVE:** Get outdoors and have FUN! See next page for point system. There will be information in your Camp Box with instructions about Spirit Day



# Spirit Day Points

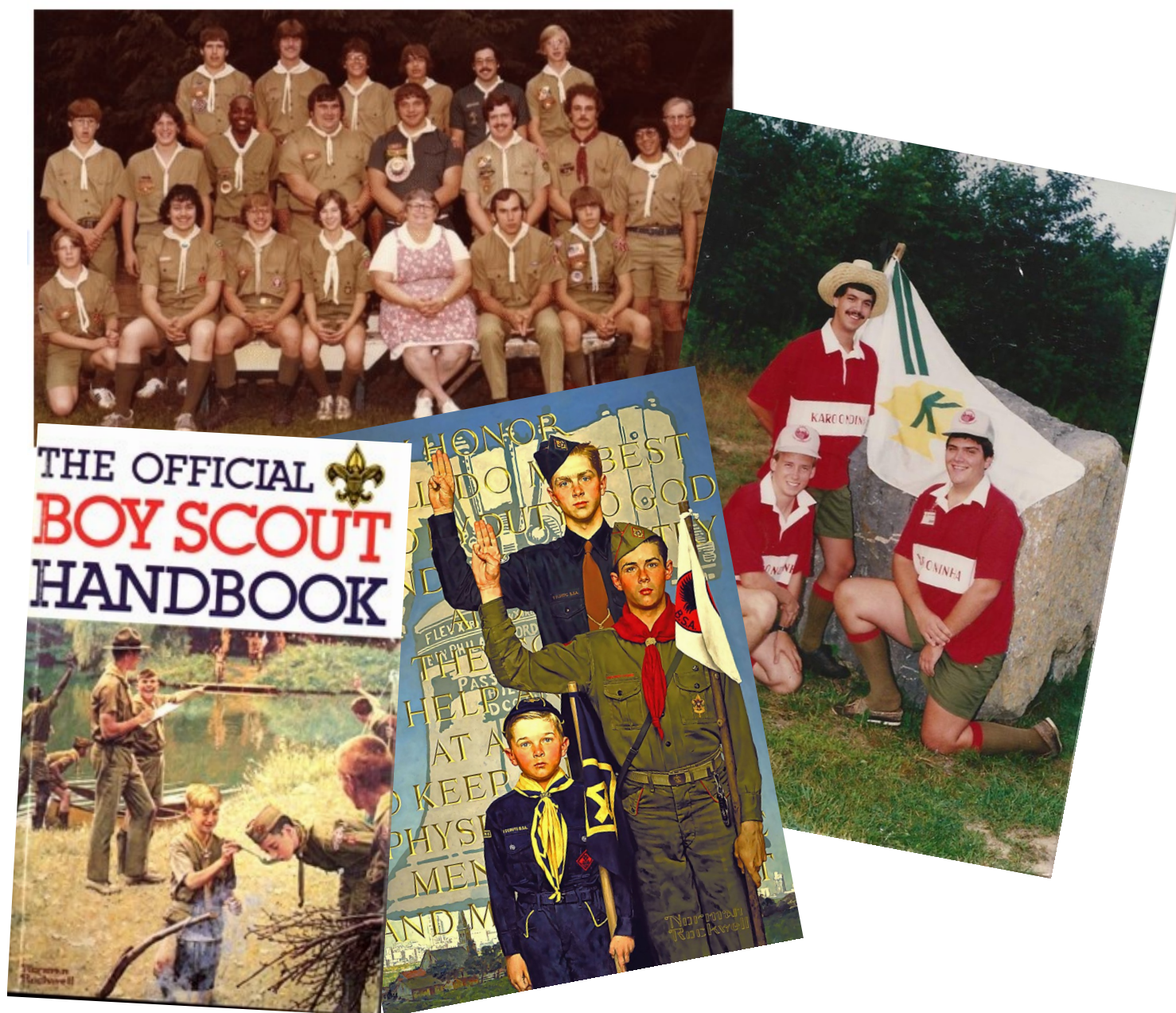


Dress in a theme	10 points
Post a skit	10 points
Post a song	10 points
Attend Chapel	15 points
Run or walk a 5K	10 points
Ride your bike 10 miles	10 points
Do a good turn daily	3 points per day
Scout meme in contest	10 points
Social distancing service project	15 points
Service for home project	10 points
Watch a Camp video	3 points each
Participate in Throwback Thursday	10 points
Do a shooting activity with rubber bands	5 points
Post a grace for a meal on social media	10 points
Cook a meal with no adult help	3 points per meal
Pitch a tent	10 points
Camp in that tent anywhere	2 points per night
Camp in that tent outside	3 bonus points per night
Play a game with another scout (live or virtual)	10 points
Participate in an at home flag ceremony	10 points
Build a campfire	5 points
Cook a dessert over that campfire	5 points



# Throwback Thursday

Calling all fans of vintage uniforms and of reliving days gone by! Thursday each week of Camp in a Box will be Throwback Thursday. Campers and staff are encouraged to wear throwback scouting swag and vintage uniforms as we celebrate our history and look forward to our future.



# Missions and Goals

## The BSA Mission Statement

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

## The Scout Oath

On my honor, I will do my best To do my duty to God and my Country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight

## The Scout Law

A Scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean and Reverent

## Scouting: A Program for Everyone

The programs offered through this Camp in a Box experience are open to all registered Scouts BSA Youth.

Rules for acceptance and participation are the same for everyone, without regard to race, color, age, disability, religion or national origin.

## Camp Administration Summary

Camp in a Box is operated by the Susquehanna Council and other Councils of the Boy Scouts of America. It is administered by staff that are all trained and certified in accordance with National Camping Accreditation Program of the Boy Scouts of America. The camp is supervised by the Council Executive Boards through the Council Camping and Outdoor Programs Committees.

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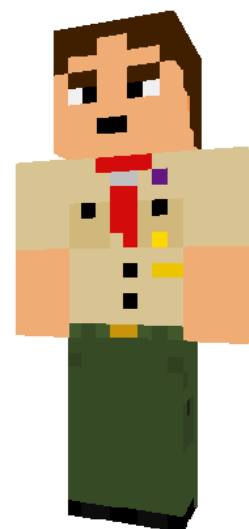
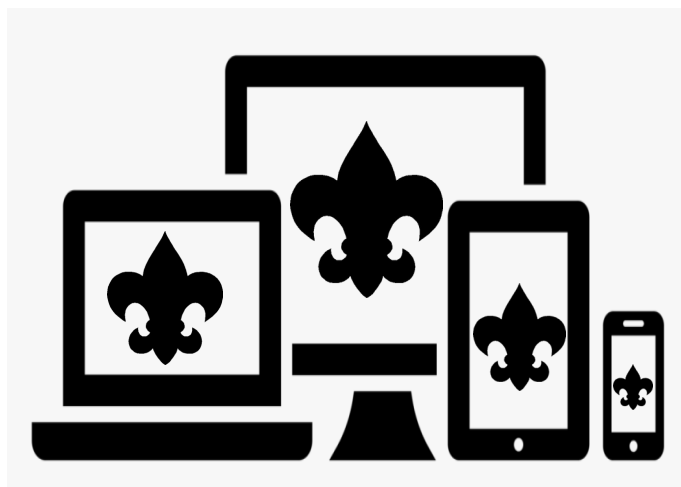
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## Register today at:

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/533-campinabox2021>

# Youth Protection at Camp

The Staff at “Camp in a Box 2021” takes our responsibility for the welfare of the youth very seriously. In accordance with BSA policy, any adult working with a Scout must be registered as a Merit Badge Counselor and have current Youth Protection Training, even if they are a parent of a scout. Copies of Youth Protection Training Certificates will be on kept on file at the local Scout Service Center. Portions of our Camp in a Box program will involve Zoom webinars. **All virtual meetings will have two or more adults always on the call.**

## Youth Protection Procedures:

The following barriers to abuse within Scouting are used at camp to ensure the safety of our youth campers. We expect everyone to follow these guidelines at all times:

- All youth protection policies still apply in an online environment. We will ensure that all Scouts will always have two-deep leadership for online activities and meetings. Our ban on one-on-one contact between an adult leader and youth applies to all interactions -- whether in person, online, through a web conference, over the phone, via text, or in any other form.
- All aspects of the Scouting program are open to observation by parents, and the BSA suggests parents take part in online activities and meetings.
- Use business-oriented conference platforms instead of platforms with other primary purposes (such as gaming).
- Examples of business-oriented conference platforms: Zoom, Skype, GoToMeeting and Microsoft Teams.
- Examples of platforms that are NOT recommended: Discord, Roblox, and Twitch.
- Please review the terms of service, safety and privacy features, and data collection policies of any platform you use, and review the BSA Digital Privacy and Social Media Guidelines.
- Call recording is subject to various legal requirements under U.S. law and the laws of individual states, some of which require all parties to a call consent to recording. Considering those potential regulatory risks, the **BSA does not authorize units to record online meetings/activities.**

All the BSA policies concerning online Safety of Scouts can be found at: <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/digital-safety-and-online-scouting-activities/>





## Camp in a Box Refund Policy

Preparations for Camp in a Box 2021, in the months before the first week, require a significant manpower commitment for extensive planning and the advance purchase of materials among other things. Due to these types of upfront costs, it is not practical to give full refunds. All refunds will be assessed a minimum of \$75.00 cancellation fee for the upfront costs already incurred.

Refunds will be considered for the following cases only: (NO EXCEPTIONS)

**SUMMER SCHOOL:** The request for a refund and documentation from the school must be provided with the request in writing, and **MUST** be submitted at least one week prior to the Scout's first scheduled class. Scouts should be encouraged to attend camp in a later week, if able.

**MEDICAL:** The request for a refund and documentation from a Physician must be provided with the request in writing, and **MUST** be submitted at least one week prior to the Scout's first scheduled class.

**DEATH IN THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY:** A letter with the refund request from the parent/ guardian.

**NON-QUALIFYING REFUND REQUESTS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:** Sports (of all kinds), vacation, homesickness, failure to show, Scout changes their mind, travel events, etc.

All requests must be in writing and include supporting documentation. Refund checks will be sent to the adult who paid the Scout's fees.

A camper removed from camp for discipline reasons forfeits all fees.

All refund checks will be issued after September 15th.

Adult "Bling" Box fees are transferable to another leader in the same unit, but are not refundable.

**ALL REFUND REQUESTS ARE EMAILED TO DENNIS DUGAN AT:**  
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# Religious Life

A Scout is reverent. A Scout is reverent toward God. A Scout is faithful in his or her religious beliefs and respects the beliefs of others. The Scout Oath begins with duty to God, and the Scout Law ends with reverence. It's the twelfth point of the Scout Law, but it cannot be relegated to an afterthought. In a society that is polarized, faith practices that encourage healthy relationships and dialogue provide a path to heal what divides us. Reverence is integral to good character and citizenship!

As the BSA's Declaration of Religious Principle states, "The Boy Scouts of America maintains that no member can grow into the best kind of citizen without recognizing an obligation to God and, therefore, recognizes the religious element in the training of the member, but it is absolutely nonsectarian in its attitude toward that religious training. Its policy is that the home and organization or group with which the member is connected shall give definite attention to religious life."

All scouts are encouraged to incorporate religious programs into their summer scouting experience! Now is the perfect time to work on the religious emblem award for your faith.

For more information on how you and your scouts can practice reverence this summer, visit <https://susquehannabsa.org/a-scout-is-reverent/>



# Frequently Asked Questions

## **How will Merit Badges be completed?**

Each Merit Badge will have a counselor. The Merit Badge counselor will work with each Scout through four class sessions, one each day on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. The instructional time for some class sessions will be short, such as 5-10 minutes long, some will take the entire scheduled session. The mix of time devoted to instruction and certifying completion of requirements will vary for each class session. The merit badge counselor may have assistants to help check work, allow Scouts to demonstrate/show, etc.

## **Will Merit Badges be completed or just partials?**

It depends on the selected merit badges (see pages 9—11) Some merit badges have prerequisite requirements and Be Prepared requirements. Scouts will get partials if these prerequisites and Be Prepared requirements are not completed.

## **Why are you charging adults?**

Adult “Bling Box” fees are optional. The adult fee is kind of like a donation with some bling provided as a THANK YOU! gift. Everyone’s help is needed to overcome each Council’s funding challenges caused by COVID-19. While you cannot “sign up” without a fee, you can certainly participate with your Troop or Scout and help guide them, keep them on track and encourage outdoor participation as much as possible.

## **What if I cannot safely camp outdoors?**

No problem. Pitch a tent inside. Get outdoors if you can everyday. Be creative, bring the outdoors inside either through the internet or books.

## **What if I have Scouts that do not have online access?**

This one is tricky. Can they safely partner up with another Scout? Can the Troop meet together each day where there is internet access and the Scout can share technology? Will their library be open? Can they stay with a relative for the week that has access? If “no” to all those, and the Troop leadership cannot come up with an alternative, this program might not make sense for them.

## **When will I get my blue cards?**

We will send the partial and completed blue cards to parents and Councils by September 1st. We need time to collect the results from the counselors for each week and record those results.

## **Are there any additional fees to complete any post-event requirements?**

No, there are no additional fees if your local Council provides in-person opportunities to complete some of the post-event requirements. Scouts should check with their local Council for information on these opportunities.

## **I have one Scout who wants to participate in everything, but their sibling only wants to do one Merit Badge. Can he/she just “piggy-back” on his/her sibling’s class?**

Sorry, no. For one, our Black Pug system will also produce the Blue Cards. Those Blue Cards will have the registered Scout’s name on them. In addition, we Scouts have “honor” and cheating the system is not in our nature. There are many virtual Merit Badge classes being done by countless other Councils that could help your other Scout out.



# Camp in a Box 2021

## **YOUTH PARTICIPANT COST — \$135**

Access to up to five Merit Badges and online learning, camp t-shirt, camp patch, some kits and/or supplies for merit badges, bonus camp swag, shipping, and access to ALL THE FUN!

## **ADULT “BLING” BOX — \$50 (optional)**

Includes camp t-shirt, 2021 camp patch, bonus camp swag, gift from the Camp Director, and shipping.



## **Questions?**

Dennis Dugan

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## **Available Weeks:**

Week 1 — July 19-23

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