

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES AND PARENTS FOR FALL ASSEMBLY

Important registration documents are attached.

Cost for the Fall Assembly for Candidates is \$75. This includes dues for 2024 and 2025, a sash, patches, and a handbook. If you did not complete your payment online through the BlackPug registration system, we will collect any money due at the door – we accept cash, checks, and credit cards. Checks should be made out to “Tonkawa 99”.

Eat before you show up or bring a sack supper for Friday with you. **There will be no food available on Friday for Candidates.**

If you are a candidate, please plan on arriving at camp on Friday October 4, 2024 starting at 6 pm. The sooner you can arrive and check in, the better as this will prevent excessive wait times for you. Check-in runs from 6 pm to midnight or until we process in all candidates. If you need to arrive late, that is okay – we will hold the last group leaving until we have either checked in all candidates or confirmed they are not coming.

When you arrive, you will drive into the camp where there will be directions to the main parking lot (to your right as you come into camp). All check-ins will be done in the dining hall. If you have a car and need to park, this is the lot where you will leave your car.

When you arrive at the assembly, you must have HARD PAPER COPIES of the following:

- Filled out Part A and B of the Annual Health and Medical forms

- Registration confirmation from BlackPug system

NONE OF THESE DOCS WILL BE RETURNED.

The medical forms are attached and can also be found on the registration web page: [Capitol Area Council - Order of The Arrow Fall Assembly \(scoutingevent.com\)](https://www.capitolarea.org/area-council-order-of-the-arrow-fall-assembly).

The only gear needed by candidates will be:

The clothes they wear: hat, work pants, work shirt, t shirt, socks and closed toed shoes or boots. Long pants are recommended. Class B uniforms are recommended for Friday night – save your uniform for Saturday night.

In a small backpack candidates should carry weather appropriate gear (fleece or jacket) if necessary, work gloves, poncho, water bottle (MANDATORY), a small tarp, sleeping bag and pad, sunscreen, flashlight, pocketknife (MANDATORY), wet wipes, and a small bottle of hand sanitizer. If they need medications, those can be packed as well. Candidates will not use tents on Friday night.

In a separate pack, candidates should have their Class A uniform, clean undies and socks, tent, personal hygiene gear, and a small towel. Candidates will have an opportunity on Saturday afternoon to set up their tent, shower and get cleaned up before or after dinner. We have a secure area to store everyone’s packs on Friday night and during the day Saturday.

In the case of severe inclement weather during the night alone, the Elangomats (friends) will take their trains to an assigned pavilion(s). These assignments will be given out in advance. Candidates need to bring a tarp because rain is not severe inclement weather.

For those of you that noted food allergies or restrictions, the Lodge is furnishing four meals. Saturday breakfast, lunch, and dinner, and Sunday breakfast. The menu consists of the following: Breakfast Saturday will be 2 hardboiled eggs, a nut-free nutrition bar and a piece of fruit (apple or orange) with milk. Lunch will consist of a sandwich on white or wheat bread, piece of turkey, slice of cheese, chips, and a piece of fruit (apple or orange) and water. There will be a light snack Saturday afternoon during the orientation session. Dinner will be served in the dining hall and will include a choice of two (brisket, pork, or chicken), potato salad, pinto beans, barbecue sauce, onions, pickles, green salad bar, salad dressing, fresh baked rolls, butter, dietary alternative (salad, vegetables, stuffed pepper), coffee, juice, tea. Vegetarians go through the line and the servers will ask. There will be a fellowship following the closing ceremony Saturday night consisting of root beer floats. Sunday breakfast will be sausage rolls, cereal, any remaining fruit, orange juice, milk, and coffee.

There will be vegetarian and gluten-free options for every meal.

IF YOU CANNOT EAT THIS MENU OR YOU NEED SPECIAL FOOD, YOU NEED TO BRING IT YOURSELF. No refrigeration will be available. Anything brought should be “ready to eat” and capable of being carried. This is not an invitation to bring your own stash of food.

The only beverage available for the weekend will be water outside of mealtimes.

You will be in a group of about 8 other candidates and 1 -2 Elangomats. That is the group you will stay with the entire weekend. This is not a suggestion; it is a requirement.

Expect to be released to return on Sunday, October 6, 2024 at approximately 10:45 – 11:00 am. Candidates can be picked up at the main parking lot. **Parents or others arriving to pick up candidates are asked to stay with their vehicle in the main parking lot and not walk into camp.**

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