

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP



CADDO AREA COUNCIL

**INVENTION CONVENTION
DAY CAMP**

JULY 15TH-18TH
9AM-12PM
SPRING LAKE PARK

EARLY BIRD
\$60
DEADLINE JUNE
1ST

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE
JULY 9TH**

**LEADERS AND PARENTS GUIDE
CADDO AREA COUNCIL
2025**



Camp Preston Hunt

can be used for your next Campout!

Call the Caddo Area Council
Scout Office to place your reservation at
903-793-2179!

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How to Register

Please register through www.CaddoBSA.org. This camp is for Cub Scouts entering kindergarten to those entering 5th Grade. As per National BSA rules, Lions and Tigers (those entering Kindergarten and First Grade) need to be accompanied by an adult. All Scouts need to be registered with the BSA.

All adults attending must have current Youth Protection Training. This can be done for free at my.scouting.org. Once completed, please send the certificate to mmelson2008@gmail.com.

COST	YOUTH	ADULT
Early Bird (End 6/1)	\$60	\$0
Registration	\$75	\$0

If you have any questions, please contact Melanie Melson at 903-277-9663 or by email at mmelson2008@gmail.com.

You will NOT be able to register on the day of camp. Registration closes July 9th , 2025 at 11pm.

Refunds

Refunds will not be issued unless the camp is canceled. A refund will be given if a Scout is diagnosed with COVID or another severe illness. Full refunds will not be given after 7/9 because of the purchase of program supplies.

Camperships

If your scout needs financial assistance to attend this camp, a campership application may be submitted for review. Applications for camperships need to be received before 5pm on 7/1/2024 by Lonna Johnson at Lonna.Johnson@scouting.org or dropped off/mailed to the Scout Service Center, 24 Lynnwood Dr, Texarkana TX 75503, in order for them to be considered by the Campership Committee.

Who Can Attend

All registered Cub Scouts who will be Lions, Tigers, Wolves, Bears, Webelos, or Arrow of Light in the Fall can attend (those entering kindergarten through fifth grade). Siblings who are not registered with the BSA cannot attend.

Scouts BSA who are 14 or over can attend for free to assist as Counselors-in-Training but must have applied to Lonna Johnson beforehand. Working as a Counselor-in-Training is subject to Caddo Area Council approval.

Remind App Notifications

To improve communication, we have set up a Remind group. You do not need to download the app. If you text @2025invent to 81010, then you will receive notifications about the Invention Convention Day Camp as regular text messages. These will be sent out just before camp and at camp itself.

Check In and Out

Caddo Area Council has a firm commitment to keeping your child safe. To do so we have implemented strong check-in and check-out procedures.

Check-in will start at 8.45am each day, with the camp itself starting at 9am. Please park and walk your child to the Pavilion and check in with a member of the Day Camp Staff.

Check out will occur from the pavilion as well. Early Check-Out requires advance notice to Camp Staff, so that we can have your child ready at the appropriate time. If an emergency arises that requires early check-out, please call the Scout Service Center (903-793-2179) and we will have your child waiting for you.

Proof of ID is REQUIRED at pickup. The individual picking up a child must be one of the individuals named on the health form or in the registration process as able to pick up your child. Otherwise they will need to park and wait while the child's family is called to confirm that you can pick up the child.

If an emergency arrives, and someone else will be picking up your child, please call Melanie Melson at 903-277-9663 to confirm who will be picking up your child.

Late Arrival

Please let the camp know in advance if your child will be late, by calling the Scout Service Center at 903 793 2179. DO NOT drop your child off in the park, without speaking to a member of the Day Camp Staff first.

Absences

If your child is going to be absent one day, please let us know. We will call families whose children are absent to confirm that day to ensure that they have not been dropped off in a different part of the Park.

Required Paperwork

You will need to register your child for the camp itself and submit the following paperwork, ideally ahead of time

- Health forms parts A and B, including the list of who can and cannot collect your child from camp on Part A
- A copy of your health insurance card

If your child has food allergies, health forms need to be dropped off at least a week in advance, to ensure that their allergies can be accommodated. Please be prepared to work with us on what they can and cannot eat.

Health Forms can be completed at Check In IF the Cub Scout is being Checked In by their Parent or Legal Guardian. Any Cub Scouts who are being dropped off by another adult and who do not have Health Forms completed and signed in advance by a parent or guardian (either dropped off in advance or in hand) will be unable to stay at Day Camp until they return with this form completed by a Parent or Legal Guardian.

All attendees of the camp, whether youth, adults or staff are required to have their BSA Medical form (Part A & B) completed and turned into council. This health form can be found at

https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf.

What to Expect

Check in will begin at 8.45 AM each morning. Check out will begin at noon. Both check in and check out will take place at the pavilion.

During Day Camp various fun, exciting and challenging activities relating to the theme will take place for your Cub Scouts. This will allow them to complete a few Adventures (see below). At the end of the camp you will be supplied with a list of adventures that your Cub Scout completed at Day Camp, to submit to your Pack. The awards will not be given out at camp.

Please bring a water bottle each day. Camp will provide snacks and water bottle filling stations during the day, so your child can refill their water bottle that they brought with them from home.

Each day will be structured in the following way. We have two big activities scheduled each day with special guests coming some of the days!

9:00-9:15- Game
 9:15-10:15- Activity 1
 10:15-10:45- Craft and Snack
 10:45-11:45- Activity 2
 11:45-12:00- Game

Awards

Awards Cub Scouts will Earn: (subject to Change)

Those entering Tigers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Champions for Nature • Designed by Tiger • Tiger Tag • Fish On 	Those entering Wolves: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Champions for Nature • Paws of Skill (Partial) • A Wolf Goes Fishing • Code of the Wolf
Those entering Bears: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Super Science • Marble Madness • Champions for Nature • A Bear Goes Fishing 	Those entering Webelos: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Math on the Trail • Champions for Nature • Catch the Big One • Yo-Yo
Those entering Arrow of Light: Champions for Nature	

Into the Wild
High Tech Outdoors
Fishing

***Day Camp will also fulfill one of the three Cub Scout activities required to earn the Summertime Fun Adventure for all ranks**

Behavior

We ask that all adults at camp help us in maintaining high standards of personal behavior. If, at any time, you see a camper, staff member, or adult leader acting in any way that is contrary to the Scout Law, please report them to Camp Director, Program Director, or other member of council staff for action. One warning will be issued and documented. If the behavior does not cease, or further causes for concern arise with the same individual(s), then it will be documented again. The Cub Scout and any accompanying adults will be asked to leave the camp. No refund will be issued for any individual asked to leave because of their behavior.

Camp Safety and Health Care

We have a well-equipped First Aid station in the Scout Service Center. Emergency procedures are established with the local hospital and ambulance service. All registered scouts are covered under Health and Accident insurance. It is a secondary insurance only. Every scout needs to provide a copy of their family insurance card with their physical. Any and all injuries or illness must be reported to camp staff.

Medication

All medication must be brought to check in, in its original bottle. If a parent is present, they may retain it to administer. If not, it will be checked in with staff to administer according to the dosing instructions

Allergies and Other Dietary Requirements

Snacks will be provided by Caddo Area Council.

If your child has allergies or requires a special diet, please make sure that the Health Form has been turned in at least ONE WEEK prior to camp, so that

accommodation can be made. Please be prepared to work with us on accommodating their dietary requirements.

Food

Please make sure your child brings a reusable water bottle to the camp. Snacks and water bottle refills will be provided.

Footwear

Closed toe and heeled shoes must be worn at all times at camp (no crocs).

Health Forms

All attendees of the camp whether youth, adults or staff are required to have their BSA Medical form (Part A & B) completed and turned into the council at check in. This health form can be found at https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf. All medical forms must include a copy of the medical insurance information stapled to the back of the form.

Sick Child at Camp

If a child becomes sick at camp, the emergency contact supplied on the health forms will be contacted to collect the child. This is to ensure the child's comfort, as well as to ensure that the child does not share the sickness with anyone else.

Sun Protection and Bug Spray

Please apply sunscreen to your Scout before they come to camp in the morning. Please ensure that your child brings sunscreen, a sun hat, and bug spray with them to apply again later. Please ensure that your child knows how to apply this sunscreen and bug spray. In the interests of Youth Protection, adults will not be able to apply sunscreen to a child who is unrelated to them.

Inclement Weather

Be assured that our greatest concern is the safety of our campers and staff. Should severe weather threaten camp, we will take the appropriate steps to ensure your Cub Scout's safety. Refunds will not be given for weather unless the council cancels the camp.

Service Animals

Caddo Area Council is happy to accommodate fully trained service animals, per the ADA. Please let us know a week in advance if you plan to bring one. Caddo Area Council will not provide food for the Service Animal.

Things to Bring to Camp:

Mark your name on everything!!!!

- Wear clothes that can get dirty and will not be too hot – all shorts need to be the length of uniform shorts and wear t-shirts rather than shirts with no sleeves.
- Wear closed toed shoes that are comfortable to walk in– NOT sandals, flip flops, sliders or crocs.
- A change of clothes in a zip lock bag, marked with their name on it, in case they get wet during the day.
- Sunscreen and Bug Spray – your child must be able to apply their own.
- A filled water bottle marked with their name.
- Sun hat

Lost and Found

Any item that is lost is not the responsibility of the camp staff. Lost and found will be placed in the Scout Service Center for the duration of the camp. If not collected from there, after a month it will be disposed of.

Things to Leave at Home

- No electronic games/radio/televisions.
- No youth cell phones (adults are expected to respect the instructors and other adults and keep use to a minimum)
- No pets
- No axes, hatchets, saws, or knives (no Cub Scout may carry a pocketknife until they have earned their whittling adventure).
- No fireworks or liquid fuels are allowed at Camp. This includes lantern fuel, Propane, and other flammable substances.
- No illegal drugs, medical marijuana and alcohol are permitted at Camp. If found and not removed, the authorities will be notified.
- Personal firearms are not allowed. Please do not bring personal air rifles, bb guns, or archery equipment to camp.
- There is no smoking or vaping at camp.

HAVE FUN!

For many Scouts and Scouters this might be their first experience at camp. For those of you that have experienced camp. Lend a hand, show them the ropes, and don't forget to have FUN!