

NEW RIVER ADVENTURE

BLUE RIDGE SCOUT RESERVATION

Parental Waiver

A Letter of Understanding to Parents of New River Adventure Participants

To participate in the New River Adventure program, both the participants and their parent(s) must sign and return this form.

Your child is enrolled in a week-long high adventure program at the Blue Ridge Scout Reservation. To participate, your child must be at least age 13 and have completed the 8th grade by camp or at least age 14, and must pass the BSA swim test with a “Swimmer” proficiency upon arrival at Camp Powhatan.

This program may include participation in the following optional activities:

- Whitewater rafting on the New River Gorge, which has Class 3 and 4 rapids
- Canoeing on the New River with several Class 2 and 3 rapids
- Claytor Lake aquatic activities, including motorboating, small boat sailing, and water skiing
- Physical challenges on our COPE (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience) course, which is a BSA-designed ropes course that develops confidence, problem-solving abilities, and teamwork
- Caving in a New River Valley limestone cave
- Climbing and rappelling at the BRSR Point Camp natural rock face
- Use of ATVs (All Terrain Vehicles) on the designated BRSR ATV course

Our New River Adventure program receives enthusiastic reviews each summer from hundreds of participants. They find it exciting and worthwhile, but it is also physically demanding. We highly recommend following the BSA’s height and weight guidelines found on the medical form. All outdoor high adventure activities have inherent risks, meaning the activities cannot be done without taking such risks. We have had cuts, sprains, and broken bones. We have safety rules that must be obeyed and safety equipment that must be worn. Families and units are responsible for medical costs.

I have read and understand the nature of the activities of the New River Adventure program. I will follow instructions and will adhere to the safety rules of the program.

Participant Name (print): _____

Participant Signature: _____

Dates attending camp: _____ Unit Type/Number: _____

I have read and understand the nature of the activities of the New River Adventure program. I will follow instructions and will adhere to the safety rules of the program.

Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____