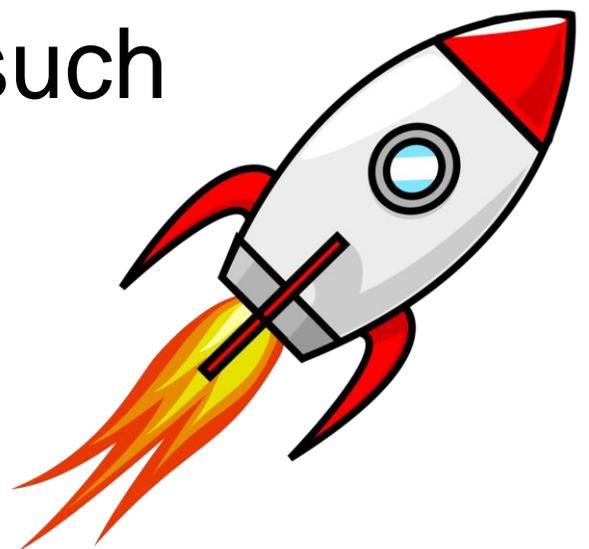


Scouting Into the Unknown

Program Guide

Camp Gorsuch

2023



Camp Gorsuch strives to provide a well rounded Scout experience for all levels of scouting, allowing the scouts to learn life-long skills and have fun, while also receiving opportunities to earn advancement. Here is the program guide for this year, allowing you an opportunity to plan for evening in-camp activities that will support this year's theme.

Your specific schedule will not be set until you get to camp but some time during the week you and your scout will participate in the following activities:

Orion (BB range): This is always a favorite activity. Your scout will have the opportunity to learn basic gun safety and handling when they go to the BB range at least twice during the week. They will also have the opportunity to go to the range on Thursday evening during Open Program. Both Cubs and Webs will be able to fulfill the requirements to earn the [BB Shooting Sports Award](#) while at the shooting range.

Sagittarius (Archery): Our Genesis bows are the best bows designed for young archers which allows everyone to feel success with this sometimes frustrating sport. The scouts will have two opportunities to hone their skill at the Archery Range, as well as having additional time to shoot on Thursday evening. Both Cubs and Webs will fulfill the requirements to earn the [Archery Shooting Sports Award](#) while in camp.

Neptune (Waterfront): Scouts will be boating using catamarans or single canoes. Single canoes are used following a swim test by themselves and one adult partner. A course with two turns will be set up that allows the Cubs and Webs to demonstrate how to turn to both sides and back paddling will be used. All boat safety will be covered prior to entering the boats. Webs will be taught the three basic water rescue methods, as well as learning the steps for a safe swim.

Galactic Repair (Service): As Scouts we know that we are to leave a place better than we found it. To that end, Cubs and Webs will have the opportunity to do a conservation project around Camp to help make Gorsuch a better place both now and for the future.

Humans vs. Aliens (Capture): In other words a good old fashioned game of capture the flag. Who will be victorious? The humans or the aliens? Of course fair play and good sportsmanship are the goals.

Crew Time (Den Chief Time): All astronaut crews need to be able to work together in order to explore the galaxy and new worlds. They also need to be able to identify the planet they come from. During this time crews will develop their own flag to post on any planet they conquer, as well as an identifying greeting. Upon their return to earth they will perform a piece to entertain and amaze their friends and family.

Star Trek (Hike): Scouts will have an opportunity to learn about the wildlife and foliage surrounding this planet as they explore the local space ways.

Jupiter (Field): Flying saucers will be everywhere when Scouts participate in a game known as Ultimate. They may also choose to deal with a different kind of flying object by participating in a game of T-Ball. Of course there will be a variety of sports equipment available including, kickball and soccer if the astronauts would like to challenge themselves in other sports. Teamwork and sportsmanship when playing by the rules are emphasized.

Astronaut Training (Field): One hallmark of an astronaut is excellent physical and mental conditioning. Both Cubs and Webs will be participating in activities that will test these astronaut attributes.

Technology (Electricity): Some of our largest advancements in technology have been developed in our space programs. Here scouts will explore circuits, communications, landing zones and other skills necessary to explore new worlds.

Survival (Shelter Building): Explorers need to be prepared to survive on foreign planets. In this activity scouts will learn how to create survival shelters using the materials available in any location they find themselves.

Astronomy: Learning how our universe is changing and discoveries made in space is important for any galactic explorer. Here Cubs and Webs will

learn about the evening sky and why it calls to all young, and young at heart, explorers.

Robotics - Scouts will be working with LEGO robotics kits to aid them in their exploration of the galaxy!

Venus(Geology for Webs): Exploring other planets means understanding geology. Webelos will begin by investigating their own planet and learning about the forces that shaped the world they live in.

Rockets: Every astronaut needs to understand propulsion and how to break through the atmosphere. Here scouts will experiment with launching things into space.

Landing (Disc Golf): While launching a rocket into space is important, returning home is equally important, and I've heard it said that it's all in the landing. Come prepared to put this idea into practice.

Mercury (Cooking): Due to its location in our solar system Mercury is a planet that is constantly being cooked by the sun. Astronauts have developed many advancements in food preparation, however cooking in a box is best done on earth. Cubs will have an opportunity to explore what it takes to turn a box into an oven, and eat the fruits of their labors.

Aquila: Sponge launchers: Who hasn't heard of Angry Birds in Space? Cubs will be able to take out the "death star" in their quest to save the galaxy.

Saturn (Bocce ball): Saturn is known for having many moons, in this game the objective is to get the moons as close as you can without having them touch!

Knots - Webs will be learning the knots needed for survival while exploring the great unknown. Webs will learn the basics of lashing so they can create useful camp gadgets wherever they roam.

In addition to a fully packed program during the day, Camp Gorsuch also offers an evening program sure to please. On Tuesday evening, sit back, relax, and watch our own Camp Gorsuch staff entertain you with their version of Space, the final frontier, skits. Wednesday evening be prepared to participate in an evening vespers program which will honor our own scouting values. After this you may choose from checkers, chess, horse shoes, marbles, scale the rock wall (Webelos only) or learn some new knots and rope skills. Thursday evening is a great time to bring out the family and enjoy our open program night. Waterfront, BB's, Archery, crafts and dodge ball will all be open and there will be a fire in Dan's Palace, so bring the s'mores supplies and enjoy a night at camp. Friday evening we invite our families to enjoy a closing campfire performed by their favorite Scout. Be prepared to laugh as they entertain you with their own skits.

We look forward to seeing you at camp and remember, of the 12 men to physically walk on the moon's surface, 11 were involved in Scouting. Come see what happens when the Spirit of Space Exploration and the Scouting Spirit collide!