

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
2017 Wisconsin River District
**Cub Scout Family Campout
Campers Guide**



Our staff appreciates your spirited participation in each event station and during campfire Saturday evening. It is our intent to provide an atmosphere for your unit to thrive and “have a blast.”

Please read this entire Campers’ Guide. The most successful units will have read and attained a complete understanding of all the sections covered in this Campers’ Guide.

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IMPORTANT DATES	
Registration (End Dates)	
Early Bird Discount (\$10)	October 1 st
Regular Registration (\$15)	October 8 th
Campout Dates	
Campout Begins	October 14th 2017
Campout Ends	October 15th 2017

SECTION I. General Information

We are pleased to hold this year’s Family camp at Camp Pyesa 9608 County Hwy Y in Mazomanie WI. As with all BSA activities, we request that units follow the principles of Leave No Trace:

1. PLAN AHEAD AND PREPARE
2. CAMP AND TRAVEL ON DURABLE SURFACES
3. PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT
4. LEAVE WHAT YOU FIND
5. NO CAMPFIRE
6. RESPECT WILDLIFE
7. RESPECT OTHERS

The Camp Staff have chosen to govern this event by three simple rules: the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, and the Outdoor Code. We will also insist that all participants live within the Guidelines of Safe Scouting (<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/HealthandSafety/GSS/toc.aspx>). The Camp Chair will deal with all issues surrounding violations and deal with them on a case by case basis.

Camp staff are volunteers who have put in extra time to plan what we hope is a quality event. All leaders are required to respect each participant and participants are required to respect each leader

DOs AND DON'Ts FOR FAMILY CAMPOUT

DO	DO NOT
<u>DO</u> – PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.	<u>DO NOT</u> – BRING STOVES OR MAKE CAMPFIRES
<u>DO</u> - WEAR YOUR CLASS 'A' or 'B' UNIFORM. A SCOUTING SHIRT SHOULD BE WORN AT ALL TIMES DURING THE EVENTS	<u>DO NOT</u> - DIG HOLES FOR ANY REASON
<u>DO</u> – USE THE BUDDY SYSTEM	<u>DO NOT</u> – BRING UNIT TRAILER
<u>DO</u> – STAY ON TRAILS	<u>DO NOT</u> – CLIMB ON STRUCTURES AND TREES OR CROSS OVER BARRICADE TAPE
<u>DO</u> – ARRIVE EARLY ENOUGH TO SET UP CAMP SITE AND CHECK-IN PRIOR TO NOON	<u>DO NOT</u> - DRIVE INTO THE CAMPING AREAS
<u>DO</u> - BRING WATER BOTTLE WITH NAME ON IT, BASIC FIRST AID KIT AND PERSONAL CAMP CHAIR	<u>DO NOT</u> - BLOCK THE ROADWAYS. PARK ONLY IN THE DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS.
<u>DO</u> - EXERCISE AND FOLLOW THE SAFETY GUIDELINES FOUND IN THE GUIDE TO SAFE SCOUTING.	<u>DO NOT</u> – BRING FIREWORKS OR ARTIFICIAL NOISE MAKING DEVICES
<u>DO</u> – ENJOY YOURSELF AND HAVE LOTS OF FUN!	<u>DO NOT</u> - BRING DRUGS, ALCOHOL, OR FIREARMS.

PARTICIPANT FORMS

Each unit leader is responsible for having, in their possession, signed permission slips and BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A & B) for each participant in their unit. A BSA Annual Health and Medical Record form can be found online here:

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

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Each unit need its own first aid kit. A first-aid station, manned by a staff member, will be onsite for minor first aid. Each unit leader will be responsible for the safe transport of all participants. In the event of a medical emergency, Sauk Prairie Hospital is a nearby and fully-equipped medical facility, should a medical emergency arise. All first aid incidents need to be reported to the Event Safety Officer so that they can be logged on the proper incident report form.

EQUIPMENT

Each unit is required to provide all equipment required to participate in the Campout.

An equipment list is provided as a guideline. Units should review equipment requirements with their youth.

LOADING AND UNLOADING EQUIPMENT, PEOPLE, AND PARKING

All vehicles will be parked in a designated area. **DO NOT BRING UNIT TRAILER**

- Plan your vehicle loading and unloading prior to arriving
- Park where directed by event staff
- Gear will be carried to campsite (short walk from parking area)
- Loading vehicles for departure will be conducted in a similar manner.

Campsites are for tent camping only.

If you have any participants in your unit that have a special need or mobility issue, please bring it to the attention of the Camp staff at check in so that accommodations can be made.

UNIFORMS

Depending on weather, your Dress uniform (Class A is preferred) but Class B (t-shirt with pack logo) is acceptable. Rain gear may also be needed.

DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

Drugs and alcoholic beverages are not permitted at the camp. Standard rules from the *Guide to Safe Scouting* apply with respect to prescription medications.

FIREARMS

Use of or possession of any prohibited items will result in immediate dismissal from Camp and may result in a call to law enforcement.

ADVANCEMENT

Opportunities for advancements as needed for various ranks will be available for checkoff during this event. All units have access to Scout Book software which makes tracking individual scouts' pain free. If you are not familiar with Scout book, we can get training set up. During the campout, Wi-Fi is not available but you can use a smart phone to make quick updates with minimal data usage.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of severe weather, Indoor Archery Range will be our shelter. We will also have several out shelters to hold some of the events if it is raining.

RECOMMENDED PACKING LIST (FOR UNITS AND INDIVIDUALS CAMPING)

This list is provided as a guide.

Water Bottle with Name	Class A and B Uniform shirts
Tent	Backpack/duffel bag
Personal First Aid Kit	Sleeping bag, sleeping pad
Sunscreen	Extra Clothes
Bug Repellant (Non Aerosol)	Rain Gear
Flashlight	Toothbrush
Campfire Song / Skit	Scouting Spirit

**PORTABLE GENERATORS ARE NOT PERMITTED.
SPACE HEATERS OF ANY TIME ARE NOT PERMITTED**

NO FLAMES IN TENTS NO FOOD IN TENTS

SECTION II. Registration Process

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL UNITS

FEES

The cost for everyone is \$15 with an Early Bird Special of \$10.
Online registration with payment required at time of registration.

OTHER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

All units must be pre-registered and are required to check in with the registration staff upon arrival. All units will be required to provide the following information.

- An updated roster of participants (youth and adult) if changes have been made to the original registration form.
- Each unit leader is responsible for and have in their possession the proper permission slips and medical release forms for each youth participant attending.
- Units may be combined to keep event stations balanced.

SECTION III. Family Camp Schedule (Tentative)

During registration, groups of 8+ youth will be set up for going through the events. Please remain in your group. We are not counting Adults in this number, but will be needed to follow along with scouts so a timely transition is made between events. Camp maps will be available during check that will show locations of events, camp area and dinner/breakfast area. Event time slots are 22 minutes long with 3 minutes travel between events. Each patrol will have a troop guide will keep your group on schedule.

Saturday Schedule

10:30 AM - Noon	Check-In & Camp Setup (Bring Sack Lunch or eat prior)
12:30 PM	Activities Start
3:15 PM	Snack
6:10 PM	Flag Ceremony
6:15 PM	Dinner
7:30 PM	Campfire Program
10:00 PM	Lights Out

Sunday Schedule

7:30 AM	Breakfast
8:30 AM to 10:00 am	Departure

**** ALL UNITS MUST DEPART BY 10:00 A.M. ****

SECTION IV. Campfire

CAMPFIRE PROGRAM

Scouting families and units are welcome to provide skits and songs. The Boy Scout troops that are running events will have skits and songs prepared for the campfire.

BEHAVIOR

Campfires are for the enjoyment of attendees and should be run in observance of the Scout Oath and Law. All songs, skits, etc. will be pre-screened by the staff. Inappropriate content will not be tolerated.

V. Check-out Process

Early check-out is available for those units needing to leave Saturday evening. We encourage you to remain until after the campfire ceremonies are completed.

Upon check-in, please let the staff know of ANY intentions your unit may have for early departure, so we may better prepare for you.

VI. Location

Camp Pyesa has provided us with a very good resource for this experience. Please respect camp policies. Thank You

9608 County Hwy Y, Mazomanie, WI 53560



Camp Entrance