



War Eagle District Day Camp
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Hillview Recreation Center
Hinton, Iowa

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Mid-America Council Mission Statement:

It is the mission of the Mid-America Council to provide unparalleled experiences for more youth.

Introduction

Welcome to the War Eagle District Guide to 2016 Cub Scout Day Camp. In this guide, you will find the information needed to prepare for a great camping experience with your Scouts. You will find arrival and departure times, locations, daily schedules, a listing of activities planned throughout the week and an overview of what to expect from your days at camp.

Day Camp Program

We are so excited to be holding Day Camp once again at Hillview Recreation Area for all registered Cub Scouts including Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos! To ensure each Cub Scout has a well-rounded camp experience, our 9 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. program rotations will be done in a round robin with Scouts having a chance to visit each program area during the day.

Our Webelos program is for both Webelos 1 & 2 (After June 1, this refers to any Bears moving into Webelos 1, and Webelos 1's moving into Webelos 2).

Sessions and Fees

2016 Day Camp Dates

NOTE: This camp is limited to the first 160 Scouts that register.

Camp Fees

2016 Camp Fees for Cub Scouts

➤ Full Week

- \$100, if registered by May 30
- \$120 After May 31st

2016 Camp Fees for Adults & Leaders

➤ No Charge for adult leaders registered with a pack

Scouts whose full fees are paid by May 30 will receive a free camp T-shirt. After that t-shirts will be available for \$10 each. To meet camp fee deadlines, fees must be fully paid through the online registration system, at the Durham Scout Center, or at the Sioux City Service Center.

Camperships

No Scout should miss out on the opportunity to attend camp due to financial need. Funds are available to help Scouts who need financial assistance to attend camp. Scouts from units that conduct an Investment in Character campaign (formerly Friends of Scouting) presentation as well as participate in popcorn sales and camp card sales will receive first priority. All campership information is kept confidential. Campership applications must be received in the Durham Scout Center by **April 1, 2016**.

Refunds

Part of a Scout or Leader's fee will be refunded only under one of the following circumstances:

- Individual illness or injury
- Death or serious illness in the immediate family
- Relocation of the family outside of Mid-America Council.

The Cubmaster must make such requests by submitting a complete Activities Refund Request form. **No refunds may be requested after a Pack leaves camp.** Any refund due to a Pack will be credited to the Pack's pre-paid account at the Scout Center. Pre-registration fees for a Scout or Scouter may be transferred to another Scout or Scouter.

Cub Scout to Adult Attendance Ratio

Wolf & Bear Scouts		BSA National Standard of Two Deep Leadership requires these ratios	Webelos Ratios	
# of Scouts	# of Adults		# of Scouts	# of Adults
1-8	2		1-10	2

TIGER CUBS MUST ATTEND WITH THEIR ADULT PARTNER

BSA National Standard of Two Deep Leadership

Any adults must be at least 21 years of age and a registered leader or participating parent. National Scouting policy requires two-deep leadership (two registered adult leaders/parents). It is not required that each Scout have their parent/guardian attend for the Scout to attend except for Tiger Cubs, which do require the attendance of their Tiger Adult Partner. Our Day Camp maintains the above ratios of leadership to ensure BSA's National Standard is met. All adults must show proof of current Youth Protection training to attend. To get trained, visit www.MyScouting.org. You can create a free account and click on "E-Learning" then "Youth Protection Training." You can print the certificate of completion and bring with you to camp. All registered adults should also input their BSA member ID into their profile, so any training courses taken online will automatically update their Scouting record.

In the instance that a Pack does not have a second or subsequent leader/parent, we will pair those Scouts and leaders with another pack to allow them to attend. However, there must be at least one leader in camp at all times from each unit for every rank for which they have Scouts attending. Webelos I and Webelos II are considered separate ranks as they may attend separately and will have separate programs.

All units must have at least at least two adults to a maximum of eight Scouts, and one additional adult for each four boys (or part thereof) for both Cub Scouts and Webelos.

Other Pre-Camp Information

Infinity Troop

We invite your Den or Pack to encourage any Boy Scout den chief that would like to attend Day Camp to apply for membership in the Infinity Troop. The Infinity Troop is a group of older Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, or Venturers that are selected as a youth leader at camp at the request of their Scoutmaster, and approved by the Camp Director and district camping committee. They must be registered as a youth member of a troop, team, or crew, as well as complete the Infinity Troop application. They will not be able to participate in most programming during the camp day as a participant and should expect to serve in a leadership role for their assigned den or task.

Special Needs

We are working hard to make our camp comfortable and accessible to those with special needs. If anyone in your unit has special dietary, health, or mobility needs, we ask that you please make your needs known as soon as possible to allow time for reasonable accommodations for your requests. Be specific and indicate a contact person in case the camp director has any questions in meeting the accommodation. Deadline for special requests is two weeks before the start of the camp session – please use the form found online or download it from our Facebook page.

Peanut Allergy: We recognize that the occasional Scout or Scouter may have a peanut allergy. We are not able to create a peanut-free environment in camp. However, peanut-free tables will be identified in the dining area if needed.

Tour Permits

Mid-America Council packs attending Cub Day Camp at Hillview do not need to file a tour permit. Any out-of-council packs visiting our camp will need to file one in accordance with their Council's policies.

Insurance

All adult leaders and campers must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. The Mid-America Council has purchased the National Boy Scouts of America Council Accident & Sickness Insurance Plan, which will cover all registered Mid-America Council pack, troop, and/or crew members for both accidents and illnesses that manifest during participation in Scouting activities. All out-of-council units and other groups or individuals attending camp will not be covered by the Mid-America Council plan. In those instances, accident and health insurance is the responsibility of the pack, individual, and parents or guardians.

Health Forms

All medical forms must be the BSA's Annual Health & Medical Record with parts A & B completed at a minimum within the past 12 months. **School physical forms cannot be accepted.** Please use the appropriate form and bring it to camp. There are no waivers nor exceptions.

Our health lodge is maintained and staffed with qualified personnel for the health and safety of all campers at all times. The health officer must check all medications, prescription and non-prescription drugs brought to camp. All medications must be brought in the original container. All injuries occurring at camp must be reported to the health lodge and registered in the camp's first aid log.

Swim Checks

Your Den or Pack may like to test for swim checks prior to arriving at camp. If you choose to do so, you must use the Unit Swim Classification Record form. **Please be advised when swim tests are conducted off-site prior to the camp session, the camp aquatics director retains the right to review or retest any or all participants. The aquatics director will also hold a pre camp swim check. The date and time will be announced on our Facebook page and through email to registered scouts and scouters.**

Campers will be divided into three ability groups: non-swimmers, beginners, and swimmers.

Non-swimmers have not passed a swimming test.

Beginners must pass this test: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off and swim 25 feet on the surface, stop, turn sharply, resume swimming, then return to the starting place.

Swimmers pass this test: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, swim 75 yards in a *strong* manner using one or more of the following strokes: sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting backstroke. The 100 yards must be completed in one swim without stops and must include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

These classification tests must be renewed annually. Please use the Unit Swim Classification Record found at the end of the leader's guide and bring completed with you to check-in at camp.

Camp Orientation Meeting & Open House

This meeting is designed to inform Pack and Den leaders and parents what they should be doing to prepare their boys for day camp. Some of the information will include: camp tours, program highlights, camp fees, important dates, and what Scouts should do before they come to camp. There will also be time for leaders to ask questions. This meeting is NOT mandatory and is intended to help those leaders, especially new leaders, who want their Scouts to get everything they can out of the Cub Camp experience.

Date Time Location: June 19, 2016 - 5 pm Hillview Shelter House

What to Bring to Day Camp

<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Health form (completed and current)➤ Official Scout uniform (shorts, Pack neckerchief w/slide)➤ Camp t-shirt (will receive upon check-in at camp if fully paid by June 1 or may be purchased in the camp trading post)➤ Swimming suit (see additional notes below)➤ Sunblock➤ Raincoat or poncho (as needed)➤ Hiking boots or sturdy tennis shoes➤ Hat or cap➤ Bath towels➤ Water shoes or 2nd pair for boating➤ Scout handbook➤ Mosquito repellent➤ Water bottle or hydration pack➤ Excitement for camp!	<p>Optional Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Camera➤ Sunglasses➤ Trash bags (a clean camp is a happy camp)➤ Football/Frisbee/etc.➤ Money for camp trading post
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Electronics

Please DO NOT bring electronics to camp. Camp staff is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Let's put the outing in scouting for this event.

Swimsuits

Men – trunk style suits only. No competition style swimsuits such as Speedos or Jammers.

Women – One piece swimming suits only. Must be conservatively cut in legs, back, and chest.

Scout Uniforms

Scouts and leaders will be asked to wear Scout uniforms on the first day of camp.

About Hillview

This is the Plymouth County Conservation Board Headquarters. Hillview, conveniently located one mile west of Hinton on county road C60, is the hub of outdoor recreation opportunities in Plymouth County. The 275-acre Hillview Recreation Area contains a mixture of open grasslands, reconstructed prairie, woodlands, and wildlife habitat. Year around outdoor activities that are available include camping, both primitive and modern; camping cabins, picnicking, including shelters, fishing, swimming, hiking, horseback riding and cross country skiing over a network of trails that traverse the entire park; snow tubing; and hunting (October 15 through December 31) in a portion of the park set aside for this activity. Hillview is also the site of the county's resident elk herd. Visit the herd during the fall or winter to see the majestic bull's antlers.

Directions from south entrance to north entrance:

Leave the north side of the park, turn right (west) onto C60, drive for around a 1/2 mile and turn right (north) on K30, Drive for 1 mile and turn right (east) onto Wren Rd. The entrance to Hillview Recreation Area (north side) will be about a 1/4 of a mile down Wren rd. on your right (south).

At Camp

Reminders

- Check-in for your session will occur between 8:30am and 9:00am.
- Please do NOT arrive before 8 a.m. Early arrivals are not able to be accommodated.

Arrival to Camp

Please plan to arrive between 8:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. on the first day.

Upon arriving, please have one adult leader from each unit prepared to turn in all necessary forms, except the health forms. Each Scout and adult will have a medical check upon arrival to go through their health form and any medications they may have brought to camp. If you have a single Scout with you, that adult should turn in their form. There will be an orientation meeting at 8:30 a.m. for all parents and leaders.

The leader who checks in the Den or Pack will be issued wristbands for the identification of all who are staying at camp. For security, the wristbands are required to be worn at all times to help verify individuals who are authorized to be on camp grounds. Individuals without wristbands will be asked to go to the camp office.

During check-in, Packs will be permitted to pull vehicles onto the circle drive by the large shelter house. All vehicles should be returned to the parking area immediately after unloading. Except for loading and unloading, only camp service vehicles are allowed beyond the parking area. Infinity Troop staff will be available to assist with this process.

Sleeping Arrangements

Camping spaces are available at Hillview on a first come first serve basis. Please contact the Ranger for additional information. This is a day camp and NO programming or leadership will be provided to packs who choose to camp with the exception of the Webelos program on Thursday night and the Infinity Troop.

Valuables and Gear

Leaders should ask Scouts to bring as few valuables as possible to camp. Each unit is advised if possible to have a leader responsible for their Scout's money to prevent lost/stolen money. Adult supervision is a MUST. Scouts should be encouraged to respect their own gear as well as that of all others. WE District Day Camp Staff and the Mid-America Council work hard and spend a great deal of money to provide tools, program supplies, etc. for the enjoyment of all our visitors.

Please oversee the behavior of your Scouts. If we take care of all we have, things at Hillview will only get better!

All Scouts and adults must bring a plastic or metal cup, canteen, refillable water bottle, or hydration pack which must be carried at all times in order to help prevent dehydration. A rain poncho is also highly recommended. Scouts may also choose to bring a day pack or other bag in which to carry these items and other incidentals. These items may also be purchased at the trading post.

Scouts are permitted to bring snacks to camp. However, the trading post will have a limited selection of healthy and fun snacks available. If you bring snacks, you are advised to bring individually packaged, healthy items such as granola bars and fruit.

Emergencies

While camp is in session, the main camp office will always have someone on duty to help handle any emergency that may arise including those that may involve the camp health officer.

Outside of summer camp and during the business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, you may call the camp director at (641) 629-0225 or the Durham Scout Center at (402) 431-9272. If you are calling the Council office, state the nature of the emergency and provide a contact name, unit number and phone number, and we will contact the camp as soon as possible. Also understand that you may normally reach a voicemail, but we will work diligently to respond as quickly as voicemails can be retrieved.

The “S” rules

- Stay with a buddy.
- Stay within camp boundaries.
- Sanitation – scrub with soap!
- Stay out of other people’s stuff.
- Sticks & stones stay on the ground.

Camp Schedule: A Typical Day at Camp

Morning Routine

Each morning, all campers will assemble for flags at the main shelter house at 9:00 a.m. for the flag raising.

Meals

Meals are the responsibility of the campers. Lunch will be at noon each day.

Morning & Afternoon Programs

Throughout your time at camp, dens will travel with their adult leaders and staff to various program stations and activities. Adult leaders may be asked to assist the staff as needed. Dens will be provided activity schedules, and it is essential these are followed in order for camp to run smoothly.

Evening Activities

If packs choose to stay on site they are responsible for their scouts following all BSA guidelines.

Cub Scouts: To ensure each Cub Scout has a well-rounded camp experience, our 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. program rotations will be done in a round robin fashion. Cub Scouts will have a chance to visit each program area through their round robin.

Program Areas

Program areas may include:

- Shooting Sports

- BB Gun Ranges
- Archery Ranges

- Aquatics

- Swimming
- Boating
- Fishing
- Waterslide

- Nature

- Hiking using the Hillview Nature Trails system
- Handicraft
- STEM/NOVA activities
- Medieval tournaments

Please be prepared for a FULL week of FUN!

Hillview Park Trail System Hinton, Iowa



Departure from Camp Evaluations

Each adult leader will receive an evaluation form by email after the completion of camp. Please take the opportunity to fill out the evaluation form and return it. Your feedback is valuable to our camp. We appreciate your comments, concerns, and opinions. Adult leaders who are only staying for a portion of the five days should also fill out an evaluation form. If you have immediate concern while at camp please contact the camp director so we can work to provide your scouts with the best possible program.

Campsite Clean-up and Check-out

Time will be allotted for campers to pack up camp and load vehicles. We ask that leaders do not deprive boys of program time in an effort to get packed up early. Infinity Troop staff will be available and willing to help campers move any gear or camp materials to the parking lot. With all of us working together this process can be completed smoothly and quickly. Remember ***"Leave No Trace."***

-Camp Policies

Staff Responsibilities

Each program area will have a camp staff member that is familiar with the program, camp layout, and camp policies. He or she will be a registered member of the BSA, and will be your group's primary resource for a quality camp experience. This person is to be responsible for *program*, not to provide adult leadership and discipline. The same holds true for all staff members.

Camper Discipline

Discipline is the responsibility of the adult leadership attending with the Pack. The camp staff is available to help with, but not take over, any discipline problem. Under no circumstances is corporal punishment allowed. Take all serious discipline problems to the Camp Director. The Camp Director reserves the right to remove any person from camp who may present a threat to any camp staff or attendees, or to camp property.

Alcohol and Drugs

There are absolutely no alcoholic beverages or unapproved drugs allowed in, or to be consumed at, camp. Anyone violating this policy will be asked to leave immediately and, if applicable, the appropriate law enforcement agency will be contacted. Prescription drugs need to be checked in by the camp's health officer and noted on your health form.

Tobacco Usage

Tobacco usage is not allowed at camp. If it is legal for you to use tobacco and you must do so, you must secure permission from the Camp Director and follow strict directions on where and when it is appropriate.

Knives

Boys must have a "Whittling Chip" or "Totin' Chip" card to use a knife at camp. This card can be earned at camp, so the knife must not be used until it is earned. Blades may not be longer than four inches and must fold. Sheath knives are not permitted.

Personal Shooting Sports Equipment

All personal firearms, ammunition, and archery equipment must be left at home. MAC-BSA will provide all necessary shooting sports equipment.

Pets and Wildlife

No pets allowed. Camp abounds with wildlife. Do not attempt to touch or feed any wildlife. Report any wildlife that behaves in a strange manner to a staff member. This includes showing no fear of humans, biting, scratching, etc.

Registered BSA Members

All campers must be registered members of the BSA before attending camp. All adult leaders attending camp must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America or the parent/guardian of the child they are attending with. This should be completed when the pack rosters are submitted to the Camp Director. All registered adults and unregistered parents must have taken Youth Protection Training online, and bring a certificate of completion to camp to turn in at check-in.

Siblings

New for 2016 – Day camp is a Cub Scout activity. We will not be supplying additional programming for siblings.

Uniforms

All campers are encouraged to wear their class A uniform on the first day of camp. Camp t-shirts will be distributed at registration and will be appropriate uniforms for the remainder of camp.

Electronic Devices

These devices are not needed in camp. If a radio is needed, it must have headphones. Hand-held video game devices are discouraged due to their significant program distraction.

Parking

All vehicles must be parked in the designated lot. Unapproved vehicles will not be allowed beyond the parking area. Please back your vehicles in when parking, if you are able. In case of an emergency, this will allow for easy evacuation.

Trading Post

The trading post will carry Cub Scout supplies, handicraft material, souvenirs, sundries, snacks, candy, and soft drinks.

Cleanliness

Program areas and facilities will be clean and ready upon your arrival at camp. Leaders are responsible for the cleanliness of their program areas and the Cub Scouts in their unit during your days at camp. Please help Cub Scouts remember to wash their hands before lunch.

Lost & Found

Please mark all belongings with name, city, and pack number. Lost and found items can be found in the camp headquarters. Items not claimed after the completion of summer camp will be given to a charitable organization.

Weather

The weather in Hinton is unpredictable throughout the summer months. Everything from warm summer days, thunderstorms, and cold nights are considered normal. Be prepared. Don't forget rain gear. Check the forecast before leaving for camp online or another reputable meteorology source.

Other Important Rules to Know

- Open-toe sandals and flip flops are not permitted in camp. This is for your safety and protection.
- Any form of bullying, hazing, ridicule, or fighting is unacceptable and may result in expulsion from camp.
- All Scouts and adults must carry a water bottle or hydration pack at all times.
- Scouts are required to use the "buddy" system when traveling through camp.
- Proper adult supervision is strictly enforced in the lake area and is checked regularly by lifeguards, leaders and staff.
- Adult leaders must supervise all campfires.
- Profanity is unbecoming of a Scout or Scouter and is not tolerated at camp.
- Sign in and sign out procedures are required. All visitors need to sign in and out through the camp office.
- Adult leaders must report any suspicion of abuse to the Camp Director immediately.
- Anyone caught stealing or vandalizing will be expelled from camp and the unit will be responsible for providing compensation to the individual/unit/camp.

Contact Information

- Camp Director: Benjamin Whitmore, (641)629-0225
- Program Director: Lisa Whitmore, (641)629-0224
- Sioux City Scout Center: (712)255-8846

See you at camp!