

# Winnebago Scout Reservation

Rockaway, New Jersey

# 2016 Summer Camp Leaders' Guide



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#### Welcome to Winnebago Scout Reservation!

Outdoor activity is the most appealing feature of the Scouting program. Boys are drawn to it because it offers opportunities for fun in hiking, camping, swimming, boating, canoeing, high adventure experiences and touring. This appeal is woven into the program from Cub Scouting through Boy Scouting and Venturing.

Underlying the appeal of fun and adventure in the outdoors are the serious purposes of Scouting. Outdoor activities provide a vehicle for the achievement of Scouting's primary goals.

Scouting's outdoor program is tailored to meet the needs and desires of youth and their families. Activities are planned to match the desires and abilities of their age level. For Boy Scouts, hiking, campouts, extended camping trips, tours and expeditions are a vital part of the Scouting experience. The lure of these adventures is the reason most boys join. These experiences come to the Scout through the troop he joins and with the patrol in which he finds his identity.

The simple skills essential to living in a primitive setting are inherent in the Scouting program. The boy learns to respect and conserve the blessings of God in his natural surroundings. When disaster strikes, he can cope with it. He uses his head, heart and hands when he provides for himself and others in the outdoors. Learning and using these skills in his patrol and troop are part of his adventure in Scouting as he progresses through the ranks.

This guide has been prepared so that you and your Scouts will get the most from your summer at Winnebago Scout Reservation. Please take some time to look through this guide, as it will provide you with an in-depth understanding of camp.

Yours in the best of Scouting,

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### What's new for 2016?

- Welcome to The Old West at Winnebago. Our camp theme will be featured throughout Winnebago Scout Reservation all summer long.
- Ten stand up paddleboards.
- BSA Stand Up Paddleboarding award.
- Revised merit badge schedules based on your feedback.







# **Preparing for Camp**

#### 2016 Camp Dates

•	Week 1	July 10 – July 16
•	Week 2	July 17 – July 23
•	Week 3	July 24 – July 30
•	Week 4	July 31 – August 5

#### **Camp Promotions**

#### Let us help build the excitement!

We would love to come to your troop meeting for a summer camp promotion. Just tell us when and where – it is helpful if you can provide a TV and DVD player – and we'll do the rest! We will need about 15 to 20 minutes for the presentation. You do not need to be a Patriots' Path Council unit.

#### Win a \$50 Ticket to Camp!

During the promotion, one Scout in attendance will win a "\$50 Ticket to Camp". The certificate can be used towards any of this year's Patriots' Path Council Summer Camp programs.

To register for your camp promotion, visit www.ppcbsa.org/camping and register online, or call 973-765-9322 x222.

#### **Planning Calendar**

Backdate	Item
As early as possible	Submit your reservation form and deposit to the council service center. Better yet, do it before
	you depart summer camp.
Fall	Schedule a Summer Camp Promotion
4 Months Prior	Troop Camp Leader Selected
Mid-March	Camp Leaders' Meeting

Late March Camp Required Forms, Equipment Lists & Letter to Parents
April 30 Early Bird Deadline

May/June Scouts Review Merit Badge Requirements and Prerequisites

May/June Scouts Set Individual Goals May/June Troop Program Developed

May/June Inform Parents of Camp Plans and Activities

1 Month Prior Finalize Merit Badge Planning1 Week Prior Troop Equipment Prepared

#### **Financial Information**

#### Fees and Due Dates

Fee	Early	Regular
Scout Fee	\$386	\$425
Extra Adult Leader Fee	\$130	\$130
Site Deposit	\$250 (non refundable)	

- Early fees must be postmarked or received by 4/30/2016.
- Graduating Webelos will have the early fee in effect through May 31, 2016.
- Free leader policy two free leaders per troop.
- Site Deposit Non refundable. Will be applied to 2016 total camp fees.

#### **Discounts**





#### Multiple weeks and siblings

\$50 per week discount for multiple weeks and siblings.

Each family pays the early or regular fee for the first week at camp for their first son. Take a \$50 discount for all
additional full weeks at camp. The discount applies to all Patriots' Path Council troop/unit resident camps and any
PPC camp for individual Boy Scouts. Camp COLEY and Adirondack Treks are excluded.

The discount applies to any combination of siblings and weeks at any of our camps. For example:

- Two brothers attending Camp Somers troop resident camp take \$50 off
- One Scout attending Winnebago troop resident camp, Trail to Eagle and Backwoods Engineering take \$50 off of Trail to Eagle Camp and \$50 off of Backwoods Engineering Camp (\$100 total savings)
- Two brothers attending Sabattis with their troop and Winnebago with their troop for a second week at camp take \$50 off the first week and \$100 off the second week (\$150 total savings)

#### Military

The Patriots' Path Council strongly believes in thanking our military for their service. In appreciation of their military service, we offering a summer camp discount to these Scouting families. Scouts of active duty service personnel receive a 50% discount on one week of summer camp. Visit <a href="https://www.ppcbsa.org/camping">www.ppcbsa.org/camping</a> for details.

#### **Payments**

Full payment for all Scouts and leaders attending summer camp must be received one week prior to your arrival at camp. This will allow time to order and prepare sufficient food and arrange for adequate supplies. It is extremely difficult to accommodate multiple additional Scouts and adults arriving at the last minute.

Please pay with a single troop check and submit a *Summer Camp Site Reservation and Payment Form* with each payment. Be sure to complete your unit information and the payment section. The form is available on our website at <a href="https://www.ppcbsa.org/camping">www.ppcbsa.org/camping</a>.

#### **Adding Scouts**

We encourage as many Scouts to come to camp as possible. After you have registered your troop, if you wish to add Scouts, complete a *Summer Camp Site Reservation and Payment Form* and include the number of additional of Scouts, amount paid, and an updated roster. The form is available on <a href="https://www.ppcbsa.org/camping">www.ppcbsa.org/camping</a>.

#### **Refunds**

Individuals or groups that cancel a program reservation 30 days prior to the event date will receive a refund of fees paid less an administrative charge of 15% of the total paid. No refund will be made after the 30-day cancellation deadline. All cancellations and refund requests must be made in writing (mail or email) and sent to the council service center, attn: Camping Services. This policy is strictly enforced – no exceptions. Site deposits are non-refundable.

#### **Illness Refund Policy**

If your Scout becomes ill/injured during his week at camp, the following schedule of refunds will apply:

- 50% refund for 3 missed days for medical reasons include a doctor's note.
- 75% refund for 4 missed days for medical reasons include a doctor's note.
- 0% refund for 1 or 2 days missed for medical reasons.

All illness/injury refund requests must be made in writing to Camping Services at the council service center. Be sure to include your doctor's note.

#### **Warren Wheeler Adventureship**

Every Scout should be given an opportunity to take part in all Scouting activities. The Warren Wheeler Adventureship program has been established so that Scout families will find these programs within reach. Warren Wheeler Adventureships are open to all Patriots' Path Council youth. The application deadline for Boy Scout summer camp programs is April 1.

For more information please visit the Forms and Information page on our website at www.ppcbsa.org/camping.





#### **Campsite Reservation Policy**

Units camping with us this summer may reserve their current campsite for the same camping week number next year. The reservation form and site deposit must be submitted to the business manager prior to departing camp. If a unit departs camp without making a reservation for next summer, the site will be made available to all units on a first-come-first-served basis. Units who do not meet the published site minimum may be asked to share their site with another unit. Please see the Summer Camp Site Reservation and Payment Form for more details.

#### **Pre Camp Leaders' Meeting**

The 2016 Summer Camp Kickoff meeting will be held **Saturday, March 19, 2016 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm** at the Patriots' Path Council Service Center, 1 Saddle Road, Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927. Registration starts at 12:30 pm.

Please try to have at least one adult from your troop attend this meeting. The camp directors and staff will be there to answer your questions. If you cannot attend, most of the handouts will be posted to the web after the meeting.

#### E-Z Check-In

How would you like to make your Sunday check-in more efficient? Spend less time waiting at the Health Lodge for the Health Officer to review medical forms and have more time to settle into your campsite.

E-Z Check-In lets you hand in paperwork, ask questions, enjoy snacks and get a taste of the fun that your Scouts will enjoy during their week at camp. It will also allow the staff to be better prepared to meet the specific needs of your troop, starting the moment you arrive at camp. You will be fast tracked when you check-in on Sunday if you meet all the requirements for E-Z Check-In!

E-Z Check-In is held **the Tuesday prior to your week of camp** at 7:00 pm in the Winnebago camp office. Please bring the following forms which are available on the Forms/Information page of the camp website.

- Roster Include all Scouts and adults staying at camp, including those staying only one night. Please use the Excel form on the Winnebago website and print several copies.
- Fees Any camp fees for additional Scouts/adults bring Warren Wheeler Adventureship letters if applicable.
- **BSA Annual Health and Medical Records** required for all Scouts and leaders Parts A, B and C must be completed and signed. Please bring photocopies and keep the originals.
- Youth Protection Training Current Youth Protection training certificate for all adults.
- Picture Fees \$8.00 per 8x10 unit photo.
- Special Needs Please inform us of any Scout or leader with special needs and let us know the specifics: i.e. physical, medical, dietary, food allergies, etc. Special requests and needs should be submitted as soon as possible so the camp staff can work with you. Feel free to call the camp at any time prior to E-Z Check-In to discuss any special needs.
- Out Of Council Units Proof of health and accident insurance and a tour plan is required for out of council units contact your council office to obtain copies.

#### **Adding Scouts at Camp**

If you arrive at camp on Sunday with Scouts or leaders who were not included in the pre-camp check-In, you can expect delays at Sunday check in. Please inform the office of any changes to your roster as soon as possible.





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#### **Unit Leadership**

Each unit is required to have a minimum of two adult leaders as per BSA's Guide to Safe Scouting. If your unit cannot meet this standard, please contact camp well ahead of time to work out a solution. We recognize that all of our leaders have very busy schedules, and a rotating unit leader(s) is acceptable (keeping the minimum of 2 adults in camp at all times). Please include all leader names on the roster, and note when they will be in camp. Patriots' Path Council recommends the following ratio for Scouts to leaders.

Scouts	Leaders
1-18	2
19-27	3
28-36	4
37-45	5
46-54	6

#### **Out of Council Unit Requirements**

- All non-Patriots' Path Council units attending our camps must provide proof of unit health and accident insurance prior to arrival at camp. Your council office can provide you with the certificate. Patriots' Path Council units are covered under the council's health and accident insurance policy.
- Out of council units attending a Patriots' Path Council summer camp need to present an approved tour plan at checkin.





#### **Directions to Camp**

#### **Address**

Winnebago Scout Reservation – 102 Timberbrook Road, Rockaway, NJ 07866

#### **Turn by Turn Directions**

Available on the Winnebago website www.ppcbsa.org/camping

#### **Directions From Northwest NJ**

Take Interstate Route 80 East to Exit 37 Hibernia exit. At end of exit ramp there is a traffic light. Make a left onto Green Pond Rd. Go 6.5 miles on Green Pond Rd to Timberbrook Rd. Make a right on Timberbrook Rd and go 1.3 miles to entrance of camp.

#### **Directions From Northern NJ**

Take Route 23 South to Green Pond road. Make a right turn onto Green Pond Road. Go 5.1 miles to Timberbrook Rd. Make a left onto Timberbrook Rd. and go 1.3 miles to entrance of camp.

#### **Directions From Southern NJ**

Take any route to Interstate 80. Go west on 80 to exit 37 Hibernia exit. At end of the exit ramp there is a traffic light. Go left onto Green Pond Rd. Go 6.5 miles on Green Pond Rd. to Timberbrook Rd. Make a right on Timberbrook Rd. and go 1.3 miles to entrance of camp.

#### **Directions From Bergen or Passaic County**

Take Route 23 North to LaRue Road exit, jug handle U turn to Route 23 South to Green Pond Rd. exit. Take Green Pond Rd. 5.1 miles to Timberbrook Rd. Make a left onto Timberbrook Rd. and go 1.3 miles to camp entrance.

The following highways will get you to Interstate 80: Garden State Parkway, NJ Turnpike, Interstate 287, Interstate 280, Route 24, Route 46, Route 3, and Route 17. From Route 80 take exit 37 Hibernia exit and follow above Route 80 directions to camp.





#### **More Summer Camping Opportunities for Individual Scouts**

#### At Winnebago Scout Reservation

- Provisional Camp Troop Come back for another exciting week at Winnebago. Join other Scouts from many different home troops to form the Winnebago Provisional Camp Troop. The Camp Troop lives at the Witauchsundin site, supervised by experienced adult troop leaders provided by Winnebago. Scouts get a chance to visit their favorite program areas, complete merit badge partials, and work on more merit badges or other advancement.
- Trail to Eagle Camp Spend the week working on the merit badges required for Eagle and learn about what it takes to become an Eagle Scout. You must be a least a Star Scout, 13 years old or older. Scouts in the Trail to Eagle Camp form their own troop at camp in the Cheyenne site. We provide the adult leaders and special programs to help Scouts better understand the journey ahead of them. You can also participate in all of the program areas at camp.
- **Day Camp** Come for a ½ day, full day or an entire week to finish up merit badges or enjoy your favorite programs. Hours are flexible and we can provide dining hall meals.

#### At Mt. Allamuchy Scout Reservation

- Backwoods Engineering Camp Do you love to lash? Do you want to learn how to build challenging towers, bridges, catapults, and more using nothing but sticks, rope, pioneering tools and your own hands? Then Backwoods Engineering Camp may be for you! One week only August 14-20, 2016 for First Class Scouts and above.
- **Provisional Camp Troop** Get a chance to meet new Scouts while visiting your favorite program areas, completing merit badge partials, working on more merit badges/advancement, or just having fun at camp.
- Trailblazer Day Camp Scouts are also welcome for a week of day camp. Trailblazer Day Camp runs from 8:45 am to 3:45 pm Monday to Friday. Bus transportation is provided from locations throughout Morris, Sussex and NW Somerset counties. Scouts can be part of the first year Scout Dan Beard program, or they may work on merit badges and enjoy some of the open programs.
- Camp COLEY Celebrating the Outdoors with Laughter and Excitement for all Youth! Camp COLEY is a weeklong resident camp held August 8-13, 2016. Girls and boys in grades 3-12 and their families experience age-appropriate versions of the programs offered to Boy Scouts. Campers and their leaders rotate through program areas such as aquatics, outdoor skills, ecology and shooting sports. Outdoor fun for all—plus memories and friendships for a lifetime!

Visit our website at <a href="www.ppcbsa.org/camping">www.ppcbsa.org/camping</a> to register, or to find our more information on all of our camps for individual Boy Scouts. Scouts returning for another full week at camp receive a **\$50 discount** on each additional week.

#### **Summer Programs at Winnebago for Cub Scouts and Webelos**

Webelos Resident Camp is held at Winnebago the week of August 7-13, 2016. It is for all boys going into grades 4 or 5 and parents and leaders. Webelos can come for a half or full week, We even have a Camp Pack for boys who want to come without adults. Many of our great Winnebago staff return for Webelos Resident Camp. Programs and advancement are geared toward Webelos aged boys. Please help spread the word to both Webelos and pack leaders. This is also a great way to keep the Webelos excited about Boy Scouting.

For more information visit www.ppcbsa.org/camping.





# **Equipment Lists**

# **Personal Equipment**

Recommended Gear	Optional Gear
Pack/Duffle Bag/Footlocker	Alarm Clock
Sleeping Bag	Backpack (outpost camping)
Official Scout Uniform	Bible/Prayer Book
T-Shirts (6 days)	Camera/Film/Memory Cards
Bathing suit	Compass
Fleece (preferred) or Sweatshirt	Cord/Clothesline
Hat	Day Pack
Hiking Boots (Waterproof)	Fishing Tackle
Jacket	Ground Cloth (Outposts, Camping / Wilderness
Pants or zip-offs	Survival MB's)
Rain gear	Hangars
Shorts or zip-offs	Laundry Bag
Shoes that can get wet (required for boating)	Long sleeve shirt
Sneakers or moccasins	Long Pants
Socks (6 days)	Mattress/Foam Pad
Underwear (6 days)	Merit Badge Pamphlets
Comb or brush	Mosquito Netting
Flashlight or LED Headlamp	Musical Instrument
Handkerchief or tissues	Pillow
Insect Repellent (No aerosol)	Pocket Knife (no sheath knives)
Medications properly labeled (all must be	Tent (outpost camping)
included on the medical form)	Watch
Merit Badge Prerequisites	
Pen/Pencil/Notebook	A good rule is: If you don't want it lost, damaged or
Personal First Aid Kit	destroyed, consider leaving it at home.
Plastic bags - 1 and 2 gallon	
Scout Handbook	
Soap/Shampoo/Deodorant	
Sunscreen	
Toothbrush/Toothpaste	
Towels and washcloths	
Wallet w/spending money	
Water Bottle/Hydration bladder	





#### **Troop Equipment**

 American flag	 Copies of medical forms for leaders
 Troop flag	 Magic marker pens (red, blue, black, green)
 Patrol flags	 Merit badge pamphlets (There will be a limited
 Addresses and phone numbers of parents on	number of pamphlets at the trading post)
vacation	 Merit badge blue cards (also available for
 Alarm clock (battery operated)	purchase at the trading post)
 Camp Leaders' Guide	 Polyethylene sheets (for numerous uses)
 Cash box	 Propane lantern with fuel
 Charcoal (if desired) and cooking equipment for in-site steak dinner	 Stapler and extra thumbtacks for the bulletin board
 Dutch Oven for dessert competition	 Assorted hand and woods tools
 Clothes marking pen (for those who forgot)	 Tools for camp projects
 Duct tape – always a good idea	 Troop record book (for advancement and Scout
 Troop First Aid Kit	record)
Matches / Lighter	 Your advancement objectives
Garbage bags	 Your troop program idea
 Helpful books from your troop library: Handbook,	 Props for your favorite skits and stunts
 Field book, Scout songbook, nature books, etc.	 Your best troop spirit and enthusiasm

## **Equipment Available at Camp**

#### **Items Provided at Each Campsite**

- Latrine with washstand and supplies
- Pavilion or Dining Fly
- Picnic Tables
- Water Spigot
- Fire Buckets
- Bulletin Board
- Flag pole

- Fire pit
- Split firewood
- Cooking grate
- Two person Wall Tents with wooden platforms and canvas cots or 4 person Lean-tos with bunks and mattresses

#### **Equipment for Conservation and Camp Improvement Projects**

Please see your commissioner for any tools you may need to complete a camp project. Supplies are limited, so please help us out by returning them when you are done.





## **Programs, Events and Awards**

#### **Program Areas**

Winnebago Scout Reservation is organized into program areas which offer a variety of experiences for Scouts and leaders. An overview of the program areas follows. See the **Daily Camp Schedule** on page 45 and the **Merit Badge and Program Schedule** beginning on page 46 for dates and times.

#### **Aquatics/Waterfront**

Located on picturesque Durham Pond, our Aquatics area provides Scouts and leaders with a wide variety of programs both in and on the water. We provide the tools for everyone to be at home in and on the water, and to feel relaxed and confident in their ability to swim well.

We offer many of the aquatics merit badges including Swimming and Lifesaving which are required for Eagle. Second and First Class aquatics requirements are covered for Scouts in the Dan Beard first year camper program, or upon request. We provide swimming instruction for Scouts and adults who have not qualified as a Swimmer (blue tag). We also offer the opportunity for anyone to retake their swim classification test during the week.

Aquatics training classes are offered for adults. These include Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Aquatics Supervision: Paddle Craft Safety and Aquatics Supervision: Swimming & Water Rescue. Mile Swim and BSA Lifeguard are offered for all.

Fun activities in the water include open swim, water tetherball, stand up paddleboards, the water trampoline and "Mager Mountain" - our giant floating aqua slide.

Every morning before breakfast, is the polar bear swim. Attend at least five of the six sessions to qualify for a special patch.

On the water we have row boats, canoes, kayaks, sailboats, sailboards, pedal boats, paddleboards and hydro bikes, with plenty of open time to use them. The water carnival is hosted by the Aquatics area on Friday afternoon - see the campwide programs section for more information.

All adult leaders are encouraged to volunteer for 1 hour at aquatics each week. We have lots of simple tasks where we could use help.

Please note that all campers who desire to participate in aquatic activities must take the swim classification test **at Winnebago Scout Reservation**. Please see page 29 for the requirements.

#### **BSA Lifeguard**

BSA Lifeguard is a very long course and requires extensive pre course work. Anyone interested in this certification (youth and adult alike) should obtain an application at <a href="http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34435.pdf">http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34435.pdf</a> as soon as possible and review the requirements.

**Prerequisites**: Scouts must be 14+ years old; show evidence of the ability to perform the skills and knowledge of basic first aid; show knowledge of the procedures for the universal precautions for blood borne pathogens; have current CPR certification; and be able to show proficiency in rowing and lifesaving skills.

BSA Lifeguard is a 5 day commitment. Be prepared to spend most of your day from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm working on this course. You will have little time for other activities.

#### Mile Swim BSA

To complete this award you must participate in four hours of training and preparation for distance swimming (one hour a day maximum). The actual mile swim will be on Thursday or Friday.





#### **Dan Beard - First Year Camper Program**

The Winnebago Dan Beard Program is designed to supplement the troop's regular program and not replace it. It was developed from the perspective of the first year summer camper. The Dan Beard program is structured to provide individual attention to each Scout regardless of where they are on the advancement trail. Using the model put forth by Lord Robert Baden-Powell at Brownsea Island, the Scouts involved in Dan Beard will be immersed in a day long Scout skills and team building environment. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn at least three merit badges. However, the principle emphasis will be on learning and applying the skills necessary for rank advancement through First Class. Each Scout will enjoy the camaraderie of their home troop during meals and in the evening.

The key word of the Winnebago Dan Beard Program is FUN! Utilizing the Scout handbook and a hands-on approach, the program draws on the past and the present, as it strives to be on the cutting E-D-G-E of Scout-skills and team development. Baden-Powell often said that "The patrol method is not one way to run a Scout program, it is the only way." The Scouts in Dan Beard are divided into camp patrols, enabling them to work on both team building and leadership skills. The day long program allows for a more comprehensive and time effective approach to explaining, demonstrating, guiding and enabling (E-D-G-E) the mastery of specific Scout-skills.

Please refer to the **Dan Beard Program Schedule** in the appendix on page 44 for an overview of the week. If you, as the unit leader, feel that a Scout will not benefit from all parts of the program, then we ask that an adult, SPL or buddy accompany the Scout when leaving the program area.

#### **Ecology**

Winnebago's Ecology area offers several merit badges related to the fields of ecology, nature and conservation. Scouts will be taught how to develop an understanding of the importance and wise use of natural resources in such a way that they will always contribute to our well-being. Scouts will use various equipment related to these fields, as well as incorporate the management of living animals. Be sure to stop by the Ecology lodge to see our collection of fish, reptiles including snakes and turtles, and amphibians on display.

#### Fishing at Winnebago

Durham Pond offers excellent fishing opportunities for Scouts and adults alike. Every summer we see largemouth and smallmouth bass, perch, catfish, crappies and sunfish. Bring your own fishing gear. The trading post sells artificial lures and a limited supply of fishing tackle. Popular fishing spots include the small fishing dock behind the ecology lodge, a large dock in the south end of camp near the Searing site, and morning or evening fishing charters on the Miss Winnie pontoon boat. Durham Pond offers more than a mile of shoreline available for fishing. The aquatics swimming and boating areas are off limits to fishermen.

A valid New Jersey fishing license is required for residents at least 16 years and less than 70 years of age (plus all non-residents 16 years and older) to fish the fresh waters of New Jersey. Visit the Ecology lodge for fishing tips and tricks.

#### **Star Gazing**

Be sure to join our ecology staff on Thursday night at Ecology for some awesome star gazing.

#### Fish Fry

Every Friday during the final Fishing merit badge classes we have our weekly fish fry. Please stop by to get a taste of the catch of the week.

#### **Mud Hike**

Scouts and adults are encouraged to join us every week on the famous Winnebago Mud Hike. You are guaranteed to get wet and dirty. We recommend a large plastic garbage bag for each person's clothes for after the hike. Some people bring old clothes and dispose of them before departing camp. This is always a great photo op for those not going on the hike!

#### **Night Owl Hike**

See camp in a whole different light (or dark as it may be) at our Wednesday evening Night Owl Hike.

#### **Fishing Contest**

Anyone who catches a fish that measures at least 12" long is invited to bring it to the Ecology lodge. We will put it in one of our aquariums and hold it until the end of the week. The winner will be announced at the closing campfire.





#### **Handicraft**

Winnebago's Handicraft area addresses the Scout's desire to make something with his hands. The projects answer the creative urge in boys to make something, and to improve their environment by making things of beauty and usefulness from nature's materials. The troop and patrol can also benefit, because skills learned and interests peaked can become part of the year-round program, giving the Scouts a foundation in handicraft materials to work with, tools, and how to improvise. Join us for fun, and you may also be able to earn one of the craft merit badges. We also offer Fingerprinting merit badge one evening each week.

Handicraft kits of all sizes, types and skill levels can be purchased from the trading post. Approximate prices are listed in the merit badge information list.

#### **Troop Plaques**

One of many long standing traditions at Winnebago is making a troop plaque. For years, troops have created plaques to commemorate their week at camp. Once completed, the plaques will be hung in the dining hall and become a part of camp history. One 12" x 16" piece of wood per troop, as well as paint and other materials can be obtained from the handicraft lodge.

#### **Totin' Chip**

In the interest of safety all Scouts must present their Totin' Chip card before being issued a knife, saw or other wood tools from the handicraft staff. All Scouts attempting the Wood Carving merit badge must present their cards to the counselor to satisfy one of their requirements and begin work on their projects.

#### **Outdoor Skills and Field Sports**

Winnebago's Outdoor Skills area will bring you back to the Baden-Powell days of Scouting. We help Scouts develop basic hiking and camping skills, teach them to appreciate and understand the outdoors by making the best use of their own faculties and natural surroundings, and provide them with the knowledge of health and safety practices so they may develop healthy mental attitudes and physical fitness. The Outdoor Skills area is also the place where Scouts come to learn, practice, hone and test their Scout and survival skills. For the novice or experienced camper, we offer programs and activities where you can test your knowledge and abilities and have fun doing it!

We offer a several outdoor merit badges as well as the First Aid and Emergency Preparedness merit badges.

Here are some of the competitions and other programs we offer:

#### **Cooking Demonstration**

The Outdoor Skills staff is preparing a treat for you. Not just the finished product, but the know-how to cook an interesting, delicious treat over an open fire. Several sessions per week will be announced in camp; come and get it!

#### Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award

A Scout that has earned his Totin' Chip can demonstrate advanced woodsman skills by teaching Totin' Chip skills to other Scouts and completing a woodsman work project.

#### **Outpost Opportunities**

The camp staff at Winnebago has chosen a series of outpost, or frontier opportunities for the troops and individual Scouts attending any of our weeks of camp this summer. Each one is designed to provide a challenging activity outside of the main camp program. They are directed toward older Scouts who have had the experience of a couple years camping with their troop. These experiences are all staff led, but may need adult participation to adhere to Youth Protection standards. Flexibility, like most programs at Winnebago, is always available and is only limited by the imagination of the participants. If interested in one of these trips, please contact the program director on Sunday.

#### **Backpack Experience**

Scouts will depart Winnebago heading north on the main trail. Turning east at the parking lot and passing the Shotgun Range they will pick up the Red Trail. The trail crosses the dike at the end of Durham Pond and begins to rise toward high country across the lake. Upon arriving at the old commissary building, the hikers will turn left and proceed to the Blue Trail and arrive at the top of Indian Cliffs. After a welcome rest and a spectacular view, they





will proceed down to Kit Carson, a frontier camp site, where they will set up camp and prepare a meal. After a restful night and a trail breakfast, they will continue heading south and complete their hike around the lake and back to the main camp. This experience qualifies for the "...on one of these trips backpack four miles..." requirement of the Camping merit badge.

#### **Canoe Portage Experience**

Get ready for high adventure! Meet at the waterfront with all your gear for an overnight, packed for use in a canoe on open water. When checked into the canoes and cleared by the Aquatics staff, head across the lake to the portage point northeast of Snake Island. Move your canoes down the portage trail to Split Rock Reservoir and relaunch them for an afternoon of paddling adventure. You will drop your gear on your island home and continue your float experience exploring the many coves and islands of this spectacular aquatic wilderness. Return to your island and set up camp and prepare a hearty meal. After a restful night and a trail breakfast, return to Durham Pond and Indian Village Camp to continue your week in camp. This experience qualifies for the "...while on one of these trips, plan and participate in a float trip of at least four hours..." requirement of Camping merit badge. Must be a swimmer (blue tag) to participate.

The Canoe Portage Experience is subject to adequate water levels in the Split Rock Reservoir.

#### **Mountain Biking**

Morning and afternoon mountain bike rides are scheduled daily. See the Merit Badge and Program Schedule for times.

#### Field Sports

The Field Sports area offers lots of fun activities including a skateboard half-pipe, a baseball batting cage with pitching machine, volleyball, basketball, putting green, tetherball, disc golf, gymnastics, wiffleball, kickball, a giant inflatable ball and lots more. Visit Field Sports for details and times.

Our mountain biking program is headquartered here. We have bikes and helmets available for your use.

Winnebago offers a variety of sports and games for all campers. Many of these programs are unstaffed and available during free time including siesta. Others are open according to the hours on the Merit Badge and Program Schedule. Feel free to stop by the Field Sports shed to check out equipment. If it is not open, ask at the office. Here are some of the programs we have available.

- Baseball Batting Cage: See the Merit Badge and Program Schedule
- Basketball: Balls are available at the shed or camp office
- Disc Golf: Frisbee discs are available at the shed or camp office
- Kickball: Balls and bases are available at the shed or camp office
- Putting Green: Putters and balls are available at the shed or camp office
- **Skateboard Half Pipe**: See the Merit Badge and Program Schedule
- **Tetherball**: Visit the tetherball area near the trading post
- Volleyball: Balls are available at the shed or camp office
- Wiffleball: Bats, balls, and bases are available at the shed or camp office

#### **Dual Zip Lines over Durham Pond**

Introduced in 2014, our dual 1,000+ foot zip lines over Durham Pond instantly became a favorite activity for all campers. The first zip line begins near the dining hall. After you cross the lake, it is a short walk to the second zip line for your return trip. The zip lines are subject to a minimum weight requirement of 120 lbs. Lower weights may be allowed when conditions warrant. See the COPE director for current information.

The zip lines are open during morning, afternoon and evening program time. They may be closed due to weather or campwide events.





#### **Shooting Sports**

There is nothing more exciting to a Scout than shooting a rifle, shotgun, paintball marker or bow and arrow for the first time. The only thing that might be more exciting is actually hitting your first target! Our Shooting Sports program gives Scouts and leaders the opportunity to achieve that excitement. Shooting Sports are actually located in four different parts of camp: rifle range, shotgun range, archery range and the paintball action adventure.

We offer the Archery, Rifle Shooting, and Shotgun Shooting merit badges. We also have lots of time for open shooting as well as a variety of competitions and awards. Open shooting is for all campers, not just those taking a merit badge. Test your skill against your buddies, or even your Scoutmaster.

#### **Archery**

Our covered 8 station archery range has standard targets set at varying distances. We have 30-40lb recurve bows available for all shooters. Adults 18+ are invited to compete in the weekly **Robin Hood Challenge**.

#### Rifle

Our covered 8 station rifle range features 22 caliber bolt-action single shot rifles which are used for the Rifle merit badge, open shoot and various award and competition shooting. Ammunition is free for Scouts while working on the Rifle Shooting merit badge. The fee for open shooting is \$0.25 for 5 shots. Please purchase targets for open shooting at the camp office.

NRA Rifle Classification, NRA/BSA Postal Match and special award shooting will be provided at rifle open shoot, and is open to all Scouts. All special programs are held during open shoot time.

Adults 18+ are invited to compete in the weekly **Old Man of the Mountain Competition.** 

#### Shotgun

We have a single station shotgun range with an automatic remote controlled target thrower that holds hundreds of clay targets. We supply 12 gauge pump action shotguns for the merit badge and open shoot. There is a \$20 fee for Scouts working on the merit badge. This covers all of the shells and targets you need to complete the badge. Open shooting is available to all Scouts and adults. The fee is \$2 for 5 shots. Please purchase tickets for the merit badge or open shooting at the camp office.

#### **Paintball Action Adventure**

All Scouts and adults are invited to the Paintball Action Adventure near the archery range. We provide Tippmann 98 Custom semi-automatic paintball markers, paintballs, and all safety equipment. Test your skill at stationary and moving targets on our ten station course. High score for the week wins a prize. Fee: 20 shots for \$1.00. Please purchase tickets at the camp office.





#### **Campwide Events**

#### **Camp Theme**

This year's theme is The Old West at Winnebago.

#### **Campfires**

The opening campfire is held on Sunday evening. Troops meet at the parade field at 8:15 pm. The staff will lead you to the council ring.

The closing campfire is held on Friday evening. Troops meet at the parade field at 7:45 pm for colors. Each troop will be asked to perform a skit or song at the closing campfire. Feel free to bring any props with you. Remember our Old West at Winnebago theme. Please bring your skit or song wo the program director for approval. Songs and skits must be Scout appropriate. The more original, the better!



#### **A Scout is Reverent**

Scout vespers are held at the chapel on Tuesday morning after breakfast and Thursday afternoon after lunch.

#### **Campwide Games**

On Wednesday evening, we have campwide games sponsored by each of the program areas. Games begin after dinner and end at dark. Meet at the parade field.

#### **Movie Night**

A full length movie is shown every Wednesday night in the council ring amphitheater after the campwide games. Freshly popped popcorn is free for all. The movie is shown in the dining hall in the case of inclement weather. The movie title will be announced in the dining hall.

#### **Miss Winnie Pontoon Boat**

The Miss Winnie pontoon boat offers morning and evening fishing charters. Space is limited, and tickets must be purchased in advance at the camp office. The fee is \$1.00 for youth and \$2.00 for adults. Morning trips run from 6:00 am until 7:30 am, Monday thru Friday. Evening trips run 7:00 pm until 8:30 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

#### **Water Carnival**

Wacky, wet and wild waterfront activities! Join us for this Friday afternoon campwide troop competition at the waterfront. See you Friday, at 4:15 pm. Be prepared to get wet. Bring all your Scout Spirit! The winning troop gets a watermelon. All other program areas at camp are closed during the water carnival.

Events are available for all ability levels. Here is a summary:

Event	Participants (per troop)
In and Out Canoe Race	4 Swimmers
Rowboat Race	5 Swimmers or Beginners max
Kickboard Race	2 Beginners or Non Swimmers
Endurance Float	2 Beginners or Non Swimmers
Swim Relay	2 Swimmers
Buddy Tag Plunge	4 Any Level
Life Saving Rescue	2 Swimmers
Watermelon Scramble	2 Swimmers

#### **Geocaching**

We have GPS receivers and cache coordinates available at the office. A deposit is required to borrow a GPS receiver. There are also a number of nearby public geocaches that can be found by searching www.geocaching.com.





#### **Tomahawk Throwing**

Experience the thrill of throwing tomahawks at natural wood targets. It is fun for Scouts and leaders. The tomahawk throwing range is run by a council volunteer between the health lodge and the archery range. Availability, dates and times vary each week based on his schedule. Announcements will be made in the dining hall or at a leader meeting.

#### **In-Site Cooking**

Tuesday evening features in-site cooking for all troops. We will supply the ingredients for a steak dinner including baked potatoes, corn on the cob, drinks and dessert. We will include the condiments, aluminum foil, a cooking grate, firewood, cups, plates and eating utensils. You supply the cooking utensils and charcoal if desired. Don't forget about the Dutch Oven dessert competition.

#### **Dutch Oven Dessert Competition**

This event takes place Tuesday evening in conjunction with the in-site cooking. The only requirement is the dessert must be made at camp in a Dutch Oven. You supply the Dutch Oven, recipe and ingredients. Use your imagination. There are two separate competitions:

- Youth Entry Made by a Scout or Scouts
- Adult Entry Made by a Scouter or Scouters

Winners (one youth entry and one adult entry) will be chosen on the basis of taste and presentation. No more than one adult and one youth entry per troop. Please fill out an official registration form on Sunday at the leaders' meeting. The judge(s) will begin visiting the sites around 6:30 pm on Tuesday. Prizes will be awarded.

#### **Night Watch**

Thousands of Scouts and Scouters have hiked and loved these Winnebago trails. Thousands have heard the Legend of Winnebago enacted by Winnebago staffers at hundreds of closing campfires. The original legend is included in the appendix beginning on page 38. It is tradition at Winnebago, especially when younger Scouts are present to have a watch all night for safety and to promote a feeling of security. This practice, along with the reading of the story of Camp Winnebago and the message of its legend is what we call the Night Watch. Night Watch is a serious and solemn event. Proper behavior on the part of all involved will strengthen the tradition. We encourage each troop to conduct a Night Watch during their week at camp. Night Watch booklets are available at the camp office.

#### **Procedure**

- Start your campfire in your site any time after 8:00 pm.
- During the campfire:
  - Set up a schedule where Scouts are assigned 1-2 hour shifts to tend the fire and keep it burning. During each shift, Scouts keep a log of what they see, hear and talk about. Pass the log to the next two Scouts at shift end.
  - Scouts take turns reading the Night Watch material aloud so all Scouts get to read a portion.
  - Be sure to include songs, cheers, skits and stories.
  - The campfire should end by 11:00 pm at which time the first shift begins.
- Maintain the Night Watch log throughout the night.
- At daybreak, let the fire burn out.
- The Night Watch log and booklet should be kept by the Scouts and referred to at future campfires to bring back great memories.

A Night Watch patch is available the camp office for a nominal fee. You may be asked to show your Night Watch log.





#### **Camp Awards**

#### **Winnebago Acorn Award**

Every Scout attending Winnebago Scout Reservation will have the opportunity to earn the Winnebago Scout Reservation Acorn Award as a symbol of individual involvement and participation in the many programs and activities of our summer camp. This award must be earned, and is not given for attendance at camp. This is an individual Scout award. See page 35 for a list of requirements.

#### **Green Bar Bill Honor Patrol Award**

William "Green Bar Bill" Hillcourt was one of the defining characters of the Boy Scouts of America. His numerous publications, including the 1979 edition of the Boy Scout Handbook, were hallmarks of the Scouting movement. Green Bar Bill visited Winnebago and the staff. Bill Hillcourt died in 1993 and is buried in Mendham, New Jersey, near Schiff Scout Reservation, where he lived and worked for many years. See page 36 for a list of requirements.

#### **Baden Powell Honor Troop Award**

Lord Baden-Powell was a soldier in Her Majesty's Army in the United Kingdom. After retiring from the army, Baden-Powell embarked on a new project of forming an organization for boys, which began the Scouting movement; it would "offer instruction in the many valuable qualities which go to make a good citizen equally with a good Scout". See page 37 for a list of requirements.





## **Merit Badges and Advancement**

#### **Overview**

To have a successful experience in the merit badge program, Scouts must begin their preparations at home, continue at camp on Monday, and stick with it. Some merit badges can be completed during the camp period. Others have requirements for observations, tests, or record keeping over a prolonged period. In these cases, Scouts should complete all such requirements before coming to camp. Bring certification of completion from their counselor or other proof of completion.

To help Scouts prepare, we offer the following suggestions that you may wish to include in your camp planning, perhaps enabling a larger number of merit badge completions.

- **Do not over-schedule**. We set no limit on the number of badges a boy can attempt, but sometimes their desires are bigger than their time limit or abilities allow. Experience tells us that for the first year camper no more than three merit badges should be encouraged. The Dan Beard program gives Scouts the opportunity to earn three age appropriate badges. For the older, more experienced camper, a maximum three to four merit badges per week is recommended.
- Enjoy all of the camp programs. Scouts are in camp for more than merit badges, and they should not miss other opportunities. Please do not allow your Scouts to plan for failure. Advise them when they make their selections and encourage them to stick to the guidelines provided above.
- Scheduling conflicts should not discourage a Scout from taking a merit badge. All times are flexible, and most conflicts can be worked out with a counselor. If a Scout comes to camp prepared to pass the merit badge, he may ask a counselor for a review without waiting until the end of the week. Your Scout should be able to plan his day based on classes offered.

There will be a limited quantity of merit badge pamphlets in the trading post. Be sure to bring all merit badge pamphlets needed with you to camp.

#### **Prerequisites**

Very few merit badges have true prerequisites that must be completed before a Scout can begin working on the badge. However, some merit badges have requirements that cannot be completed at camp. In order to earn the badge at camp, the Scout must complete these requirements before attending camp. These requirements are commonly referred to as prerequisites. Scouts who have not completed the prerequisites, can still earn a "partial", and finish the badge at a later date with any merit badge counselor approved by your Scoutmaster. Prerequisites are listed on the Merit Badge Information sheet beginning on page 42.

#### **Meeting Prerequisites**

Evidence must be provided that prerequisites have been met. On these and all requirements where work was completed prior to the Scout arriving in camp, a note from the Scoutmaster is not always sufficient evidence. When a requirement states "make, demonstrate, show, do, etc." that is what is necessary. Where possible, bring what you did or made – small projects, charts, reports, letters etc. Photographs of larger projects are helpful. A note from another merit badge counselor or a "partial" from another merit badge counselor would be helpful. Be prepared to demonstrate skill requirements, even if you have a partial.

#### Requirements

If there are any questions about a merit badge's requirements, call the camp. Remember to check the current requirements for all merit badges your Scouts will be working on in camp.

#### Merit Badge Counselor Pre Approval

Certain badges require approval of a merit badge counselor prior to beginning requirements, such as the 12 week physical fitness program for Personal Fitness merit badge. These requirements, like all other requirements, must be followed and cannot be waived because "it is in a summer camp setting." Please be aware of all of the requirements for badges you would like to attempt in camp, and "Be Prepared" to successfully complete the badge.





#### **Application for Merit Badge/Blue Cards**

An Application for Merit Badge, commonly called a *blue card*, is required for each Scout, for each merit badge he is attempting. Please bring sufficient blue cards for your Scouts. Extras will be available for purchase in the trading post.

A critical first step for earning a merit badge is for the Scout to obtain his Scoutmaster's approval to work on the merit badge. The Scout should complete all of the required information on the blue card legibly in ink. The Scoutmaster's approval is evidenced by the Scoutmaster's signature on the front section of the blue card.

The approval process should involve more than signing the card. It is an opportunity for the Scout and leader to have a conversation about talents and interests, goal setting and advancement. Although a Scout should never be denied the opportunity to work on a merit badge, the Scoutmaster can help guide the Scout to select merit badges that can be readily earned by the Scout while at camp and, if the Scout is determined to work on a merit badge that may be a stretch, set appropriate expectations as to what can be accomplished in the camp setting. For these reasons, Scouts who attend camp without their home troop are expected to arrive at camp with a signed blue card from their Scoutmaster for each merit badge they plan to work on during the week.

#### **Partials**

Some Scouts may need extra help or support with merit badges; others will sail through without a hitch. Some may become discouraged or have difficulty with a particular skill. Some may have minor or major learning disabilities. Others may have physical challenges that, while not debilitating, may require extra effort. Regardless of the challenges, only those who fulfill all the requirements are to be approved for merit badges. Those who are not able to complete the requirements, for whatever reason, are issued partials. A partial may be finished with a qualified merit badge counselor at home, or the Scout may return to camp as part of our Boy Scout Day Camp program before the end of the season! Of course a Scout may also bring the partial blue card back to camp next year to complete the requirements or he can sign up for our Provisional Camp Troop and come for another week of camp! The only expiration on a partial blue card is the Scout's 18th birthday!

For information on Provisional Camp Troop or Boy Scout Day Camp, please visit the office or www.ppcbsa.org/camping.

#### Merit Badges Offered, Prerequisites, Information and Schedule

Please refer to the appendix at the back of this guide for information about the merit badges offered at camp. A chart beginning on page 42 is an alphabetical listing of the merit badges offered at Winnebago Scout Reservation. It also lists location, prerequisites and notes on some badges including what to bring and costs.

Refer to the Merit Badge and Program Schedule beginning on page 46 for merit badge class times. This is organized by program area and includes many other camp programs in addition to merit badges.

#### **Types of Merit Badges**

At Winnebago, we offer several types of merit badges:

Merit Badge Classes – Many of the merit badges we offer have scheduled classes. Sign up at the Meet & Greet.

**Independent Study Merit Badges** – These merit badges have no set classes or schedules. They often require advance preparation in addition to independent study by the Scout. Scouts interested in earning these badges should speak to the appropriate area director at the Meet & Greet.

**Trail to Eagle Merit Badges** – Several merit badges are offered as part of the Trail to Eagle Camp. These badges are available to all Scouts attending Winnebago with their troop, in addition to individual Scouts attending the Trail to Eagle Camp. Scouts taking these merit badges must meet the Trail to Eagle Camp requirements of 13 years old and Star Scout, or have permission of the director. Trail to Eagle offers both merit badge classes and independent study merit badges.





#### **Sunday Evening Meet and Greet – Merit Badge and Dan Beard Signup**

When: Sunday evening after dinner at 7:00 pm

Where: Parade Field

**Why**: Sign up for the Dan Beard program, sign up for merit badges, turn in completed blue cards, meet your counselors, and have your questions answered.

Scouts will have the opportunity to meet their merit badge counselors and ask any questions they may have about scheduling, prerequisites and any other general program questions.





## **At Camp**

#### **Sunday Unit Arrival**

Troops check-in at the parking lot according to the **Check-In Times** below. Our cheerful staff will be there to greet you. At check-in on Sunday, all gear will be transported from the parking lot to your campsite by camp vehicles. Private vehicles will not be permitted in camp. No exceptions.

Please arrive with **swimsuits on under your uniforms**. Everyone should bring a small bag with towel, t-shirt, and socks so they can dry off after the swim test. The first meal will be dinner, so please eat lunch before arriving, or bring a bagged lunch.

Troops that have not taken advantage of E-Z check-in should have the unit's paperwork ready. Forms are available on the Forms/Information page of the Winnebago website.

- **Roster** Include all Scouts and adults staying at camp, including those staying only one night. Please use the Excel form on the Winnebago website and print several copies.
- Fees Any camp fees for additional Scouts/adults bring Warren Wheeler Adventureship letters if applicable. If you are bringing more Scouts or adults to camp than the amount you registered with, please inform the council office as soon as possible before camp. This way we can be sure we will have enough food and dining hall seats for you.
- BSA Annual Health and Medical Records Required for all Scouts and leaders Parts A, B and C must be completed and signed. Please bring photocopies and keep the originals.
- Youth Protection Training Current Youth Protection training certificate for all adults
- Picture Fees \$8.00 per 8x10 unit photo
- Special Needs Please inform us of any Scout or leader with special needs and let us know the specifics. i.e. physical, medical, dietary, food allergies, etc. Special requests and needs should be submitted as soon as possible so the camp staff can work with you. Feel free to call the camp at any time prior to arrival in camp to discuss any special needs.
  Advance notice makes it much easier for us to meet special needs.
- Out Of Council Units Proof of health and accident insurance and a tour plan is required for out of council units contact your council office to obtain copies.

#### **Check-In Times**

Check-in times vary based on campsite. Please adhere to the following schedule. This is a big help to make the check-in process go as smoothly as possible. To make check-in even easier please see E-Z Check-In on page 4.

Arrival Time	Sites
12:30 pm	Algonquin, Cayuga, Trail to Eagle
1:00 pm	Chippewa, Delaware, Shawnee
1:30 pm	Cherokee, Leni Lenape, Onondaga, Waccabuc
2:00 pm	Camp Troop, Commanche, Iroquois

We regret that we cannot make arrangements to accept any troop or individual prior to the opening time of 12:30 pm on Sunday.

#### Orientation

After check-in, your site guide will take you on a tour of the camp including the dining hall. If you have Scouts with special dietary needs, be sure to reconfirm with the dining hall staff at this time.

The waterfront is typically the last stop on your tour. Here everyone will have the opportunity to take a swim classification test. All campers who desire to participate in aquatic activities must take the swim classification test **at Winnebago Scout Reservation**. Please see page 29 for the requirements.

At the end of the orientation, you will be taken to your campsite where you will have plenty of time to set up before the evening retreat and dinner.





#### **Troop Trailers**

If possible, please bring your trailer to camp on Saturday prior to camp, from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. You will be able to park it at your campsite and leave it there for the week. This helps us minimize vehicle traffic on camp roads while Scouts are in camp. We can make accommodations for units arriving Sunday with a trailer. Just call the camp office.

#### **Daily Schedule**

Please see the appendix on page 45.

#### **Troop Photos**

A great souvenir of a fabulous fun week in camp is a troop photograph. There will be a professional photographer in camp after dinner on Monday to take a picture of your troop. The cost is \$8.00 per photograph paid at check-in. Please bring any troop flags or other troop items you wish to be in your photograph to dinner with you on Monday evening.

#### **Commissioner Service**

The camp commissioner's job is to bring the unit service function into the camp setting. They are there to help troops get the most out of the camp program. Your commissioner is your link to the rest of the staff and the camp's program offerings. He is there to help your troop with skill demonstrations, outdoor skills instruction, campfire planning, service projects, outpost planning, and patrol cooking orders. He is also there just to be a friend to you and your unit. He is your most valuable resource in camp - use him to your fullest advantage. If you have any issues or concerns at camp, please consult your commissioner.

The commissioner staff will also offer troop leadership development opportunities designed for your troops' youth leadership. These are informal sessions throughout the week in which youth leaders can share their ideas with their peers, discuss issues related to troop leadership, and benefit from information provided to them by the commissioner staff.

Your commissioner will visit your site daily. During the visit, a health and safety check will occur. The health and safety check is used to observe tents, overall site cleanliness, latrines, etc. Tent flaps should be rolled up during the day (weather permitting) to help prevent the tent and the Scout's gear from getting musty.

Your daily scores are used as one of the requirements in the Baden-Powell Honor Troop Award. Units scoring higher than a 95 will receive a small leather patch to decorate, and add to the coup stick. See page 33 for the site visitation form.

#### **Administration Building / Camp Office**

The camp office is staffed from 7:00 am until midnight. If you need assistance outside of those hours, emergency contact information is posted on the office door.

#### **Health Lodge**

Our health officer is available 24 hours a day for emergencies. The health officer has early morning office hours at the health lodge. He will be available at the dining hall during meal times to administer medications. He will be available at either the health lodge or the camp office to administer evening medications. Location will be posted on the door of both buildings. In an emergency please contact the camp office during normal office hours. After hours, knock loudly on the door of the health lodge.

#### **Computer Center**

Our computer center is located in the camp office. Computers with internet access and printers are available for adults and for Scouts doing research for merit badges and other advancement. Hours will be posted.

#### Scoutmaster's Lounge

The Scoutmaster's Lounge is located in the rear of the camp office and open to all adult leaders. Please help us keep it clean and neat. The following will be available:

- Coffee
- Tea
- Snacks





- Internet Access
- Electric outlets (for charging your electronic equipment)

#### **Adult Leader Training**

We offer a variety of adult leader training courses at camp at no charge. The Aquatics area offers the following courses:

- Safe Swim Defense
- Safety Afloat
- Aquatics Supervision: Swimming and Water Rescue
- Aquatics Supervision: Paddle Craft Safety

Please see the Merit Badge and Program Schedule in the appendix for dates and times or how to arrange for a class. Announcements will also be made at camp.

The computer center is also available to adult leaders for all BSA online training courses.

#### **Adult Leader and Senior Patrol Leader Meetings**

Leader meetings are held in the camp office on Sunday and Friday nights after the campfire. Please have **one adult and a senior patrol leader** attend these meetings. Space is limited.

#### **Morning and Evening Colors**

Flag raising and flag lowering ceremonies are held daily in the parade field before breakfast and before dinner. Friday evening colors are held before the campfire. Senior patrol leaders are asked to report the status of their units to the camp leadership as part of the ceremony. Full BSA uniform is expected for evening colors.

#### **Showers, Bathrooms and Laundry**

Two shower houses with individual stalls are available at camp. The main shower house is located between the Kiwanis and Little Mahee cabins across from the Ecology lodge. The other showers are located in the new dining hall addition, facing the main camp road.

Flush toilets are available in the dining hall addition. These bathrooms all have several stalls and electric hand dryers. There are also two toilets in the trading post building, accessible from the outside of the building.

We have one coin operated washer and one dryer located at the main shower house. Please obtain a key to the laundry room from the camp office.

Please help keep these facilities clean for all campers.

#### **Trading Post**

The trading post operates as a service to the camp community. Stock includes handicraft items, snacks, soft drinks, slush puppies, ice cream, popcorn, stamps, merit badge pamphlets and other Scouting literature, T-shirts, uniform parts, various items from the BSA Supply Catalog, and souvenirs. The hours of operation are posted at the trading post.

#### **Dining Hall**

Our dining hall serves breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Be sure to attend the Sunday afternoon orientation for detailed dining hall procedures. Here is a summary:

#### **Special Dietary Needs**

If you have any campers with food allergies, or special dietary needs, please contact the Winnebago food services manager (973-983-9075) at least two weeks prior to arrival. This is important even if you have discussed this with the council office or part of E-Z Check-In. We apologize for any redundancy, but we want to do our best to provide a great dining experience for all of our guests.

#### **Tables and Waiters**

Each troop will be assigned one or more tables in the dining hall based on the number of campers and adults. Space will also be allocated for one or more staff members. The troop number and number of staff will be printed on a card on each table. Meals are served family style.





Each table is responsible for providing one waiter at each meal. Waiters should arrive 15 minutes before mealtime to set the tables. The waiters will be directed by the dining hall steward on when they should pick up food from the kitchen and return the leftovers. The waiters are the only Scouts who should be getting up during meals. Waiters will need to remain for approximately 15 minutes after the meal.

#### Salad Bar and More

Tables in the center of the dining hall have additional items at every meal. At lunch and dinner we always have a salad bar. At all meals, we have extra food items from the current meal or perhaps leftovers from a previous meal. For the safety of all, only adults are allowed to visit the center table. Adults may take food for anyone at their table to enjoy.

#### Menu

This year's menu is in the appendix on page 41. A copy is also posted on the Forms/Information page of the Winnebago website.

#### **Firewood**

We provide split firewood at all camp sites. Speak to your commissioner about obtaining more firewood and scheduling a service project to split wood using our hydraulic splitter and help replenish the wood piles.

#### **Fires at Camp**

Each campsite has a fire-ring for troop/unit use. Fires are to be attended when lit - no fire may be left unattended at any time. Only pre-existing fire rings or campfire areas may be used. All fires must be completely out before the last adult leader in the site retires for the night. Fires must be extinguished before you leave.

#### **Camp Uniform**

Scouts and adults should be in full Scout uniform when they arrive at camp. Full uniform should also be worn to evening retreat, dinner in the dining hall and to the opening and closing campfires. A uniform is not a requirement to come to camp. If someone does not have a uniform, please dress appropriately.

During other times, including breakfast and lunch, uniforms are not required. Troop tee shirts are encouraged. Other Scouting, plain and appropriate tee shirts are always welcome.

#### **Visitors**

A week of camp goes by very quickly due to the myriad of projects and activities offered to each Scout. Scouts are in program from 9 am to 12 noon, 2 pm to 5 pm, and 7 pm to 9 pm — a very busy and rewarding experience. For this reason, the boy has little time for much else. Certainly, parents and friends are interested in what he is doing, and Scouts are encouraged to send postcards and letters telling of their experiences.

Winnebago Scout Reservation does not offer a specific visitors program. Visitors are welcome at camp subject to the above limitations. Parents should confirm with their troop leaders before coming to camp. Please park in the main lot and walk to the camp office to check in, sign the log and receive a wristband which must be worn while at camp. Visitors are welcome to enjoy a meal in our dining hall subject to seating availability. Advance notice is always helpful. Depending on space availability, visitors may not always be seated with their troop. When checking in, please pay for any applicable meals. You will receive a meal receipt to present to the Dining Hall steward.

- Breakfast \$6.00
- Lunch \$8.00
- Dinner \$10.00

Please check out at the office before departing camp.

Unit leaders of troops not camping at Winnebago are always encouraged to visit to see what the Winnebago experience is all about. Advance notice is helpful, but not required.





#### **Mail Service**

#### **Incoming Mail**

All incoming mail will be available in your unit's box in the camp office. If parents want to send letters or packages to their sons, be sure they mail early. The Friday before camp is not too soon. The mailing address is:

Name, Troop Number, Campsite Winnebago Scout Reservation 102 Timberbrook Rd Rockaway, NJ 07866

#### **Outgoing Mail**

Bring any outgoing mail to the camp office and put it in the outgoing mailbox which is located underneath the troop mailboxes in the office.

#### **Internet Service**

Winnebago is equipped with Wi-Fi internet connections in a variety of locations. Please visit the camp office for current locations of hot-spots and passwords.

#### **Telephone Service**

#### **Incoming Calls**

Leaders, Scouts, and parents should be made aware that incoming calls to individuals are seldom practical due to the size of our camp.

#### **Emergency Calls**

In case of emergency, the camp office telephone number is (973) 983-9075. A message will be taken and delivered to the individual concerned as quickly as possible. Do not expect to talk to the person immediately.

#### **Cell Phones**

Many troops have policies regarding cell phone usage by Scouts at camp. Winnebago Scout Reservation respects the troop policies. If your Scouts bring cell phones to camp, please remind them to follow good cell phone etiquette. This includes turning off cell phones and putting them away during merit badge classes and during meals in the dining hall.

#### **Facilities Outside Camp**

Ask at the camp office for directions to nearby stores and other services. Here are a few popular destinations:

#### Saint Clare's Hospital

25 Pocono Road Denville, NJ 07834 973-625-6000

#### **Rockaway Bagel and Deli**

171 Green Pond Rd Rockaway, NJ 07866 973-625-4322

#### **Shop Rite (Groceries)**

437 Rte. 46 East Rockaway, New Jersey 07866 973-366-3343

#### **Pizza Station**

3043 Rt-23 Oak Ridge, NJ 07438 973-697-2222

Only adults should be leaving camp. Please respect our fellow Scouts and not take your son out of camp to go shopping.





#### **Order of the Arrow**

The Order of the Arrow (OA) is Scouting's National Honor Society. The purpose of the Order of the Arrow is fourfold:

- To recognize Scout campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives,
- To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit,
- To promote Scout camping, and
- To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Woapalanne Lodge 43 is well represented at camp. If your troop is interested in having an OA election, or a Brotherhood conversion, contact the Order of the Arrow camp chief. Thursday is OA day. Please wear your OA sash on Thursday. We will have a cracker barrel at night, and offer opportunities to strengthen our fellowship throughout the week.

#### **Camp Evaluation Forms**

We value your opinion! At the end of your camp stay, we ask that you evaluate how we did – be as honest as possible, we are looking for true feedback as we continue to provide the best program possible. Comments are especially helpful. Please submit two evaluations per troop, one completed by the adults and one by the Scouts. A copy of the form is in the appendix on page 34.

If you have any issues or concerns during your stay, please talk with your commissioner or the camp director. We will do our best to rectify any issues immediately. If we do not hear about an issue until we see it on an evaluation form, it is hard to correct it.

#### **Saturday Unit Departure**

Troops must depart by 10:00 am.

#### **Procedures**

- Breakfast will be served in the Dining Hall. Area directors will be at the camp office until 9:30 am for any questions regarding merit badges.
- After breakfast, return to your site, complete the site inspection with your Site Guide. Once complete, visit the camp
  office.
- Check out at the camp office. Be sure to submit evaluation forms and pick up troop photos, merit badge blue cards, messages, medical forms, medications, etc., from the camp office.
- Be sure to return the appropriate forms (medical, merit badge partials, etc.) to any boys who will be returning to camp for another week this summer.
- Medications not picked up will be destroyed at the end of each week.
- Double check unit advancement records before you leave camp.
- Indicate your wish to return the following year by reserving a campsite with deposit. Campsites are reserved on a first come first serve basis with preference given to returning units.





# Camp Staff

#### **Camp Staff Employment**

We are constantly looking for energetic and qualified staff. Visit our website, <a href="www.ppcbsa.org/camping">www.ppcbsa.org/camping</a> for further information. Applications are accepted beginning in the fall, but we sometimes have positions available in the months prior to camp.

#### **CIT/Junior Staff**

The Patriots' Path Council recognizes the need to encourage and develop quality staff. Our CIT program will expose a Scout to the camp staff experience over a shorter period. Along with working with counselors, the CIT will develop leadership and teamwork skills. Apply online at <a href="https://www.ppcbsa.org/camping">www.ppcbsa.org/camping</a>.

#### **Camp Staff**

Our staff members are devoted Scouts and Scouters trained and experienced in the skills of outdoor living. Like you, they are making a personal sacrifice to be part of our camp operation. Occasionally, they may make mistakes, as we all do at some point. They will respond to the same courtesy, kindness, respect, and thoughtfulness as you do. If you experience a problem with any staff member, please bring it to the attention of the camp director so we can resolve the problem as quickly as possible. Our camp staff is a reflection of all our camp troops. Please help us maintain an excellent staff.





# **Health and Safety Information**

#### **Guide to Safe Scouting**

BSA's **Guide to Safe Scouting** prepares members of the Boy Scouts of America to conduct Scouting activities in a safe and prudent manner. The policies and guidelines have been established because of the real need to protect members from known hazards that have been identified through 100 years of experience.

All participants in official Scouting activities should become familiar with the Guide to Safe Scouting and be aware of state or local government regulations that supersede Boy Scouts of America policies and guidelines. The guide provides an overview of Scouting policies and procedures rather than comprehensive, stand-alone documentation. For some items, the policy statements are complete. Unit leaders are expected to review the additional reference material cited prior to conducting such activities.

Patriots' Path Council camps follow policies and procedures in the guide, so please use it as your primary reference source. You can find it online at http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx.

The remainder of this section of the leader's guide is to remind you of some key information and to specify any local policies that may supersede or supplement information in the national publication.

#### **Annual Health and Medical Record**

The BSA Annual Health and Medical Record, parts A, B and C must be completed, and kept with the camp health officer while Scouts and leaders are in camp. This is required for all Scouts and leaders. Forms are good for one year. See the Forms/Information page of the camp website for a current copy of the form. Make sure parents have a copy of this form well in advance of camp.

Please keep the original and submit copies. Each troop is encouraged to keep a copy of each form in their campsite.

#### **Medication Administration (prescription and over-the-counter)**

#### **Policies**

- All medication(s) currently being taken must be noted on part B of the Annual Health and Medical Record. The medications section in part B should be filled out at the time of the annual medical evaluation.
- Medications must be kept in the original (pharmacy or over the counter) container.
- Medications are administered by the health officer as directed by the label.
- The BSA routine drug administration record will be completely filled out by the health officer during check-in.
- Each Scout will be observed to ensure that the medication is being taken.
- If a Scout fails to take the medication, camp staff will notify the leader and camp director, who will then notify the parents or guardians immediately.

#### **Administration**

- The health officer will bring medications to the dining hall for Scouts that take medications at meal times.
- At other times, the health officer and the medications will be at the health lodge or at the administration building/camp office. Locations will be posted on the door of both buildings and announcements will be made in the dining hall.

#### **Youth Protection Policy**

The Patriots' Path Council and the Boy Scouts of America believe protecting the safety of children is a critical priority. In order to achieve this goal, all adults staying overnight at any Patriots' Path Council summer camp program must have proof of current Youth Protection training.

If you are not currently Youth Protection trained, visit <a href="www.myscouting.org">www.myscouting.org</a> to take a free online course. Certificates are valid for two years.

#### **Buddy System**

The buddy system is an important requirement for the safety of our Scouts and leaders while at camp. The Patriots' Path Council requires the use of the buddy system throughout camp at all times. Please emphasize to your Scouts the





importance of always traveling with a buddy and to remain in sight of your buddy at all times. If you do not have a buddy, you can often find a Scout from another troop that is heading in the same direction. This is a great way of finding a new buddy. Please remember the no one-on-one adult to Scout contact requirement when pairing up with buddies.

#### **Wristbands**

All campers (Scouts and leaders) are required to wear a camp issued wristband while in camp. One wristband is provided to each person upon check-in. Replacements are available for a nominal fee. Wristbands are required for dining hall meals. This will ensure that all Scouts and leaders have checked in with the camp office. Any camper or leader who is not wearing a wristband will be directed to report to the office to check-in or receive a replacement wristband.

#### **Footwear**

Close toed shoes must be worn at all times at camp. We do not permit open toed shoes, sandals, etc. outside the waterfront and camp shower areas.

#### **Swim Classification Test**

All campers, youth and adults, who desire to participate in aquatic activities (swimming, boating, etc.), must take a swim classification test at Winnebago Scout Reservation to determine their swimming ability. A buddy tag will be issued to indicate the appropriate classification.

The classifications are as follows:

**Swimmer – Blue tag** The Scout has successfully completed the swimmers test:

Jump feetfirst into water over the head in depth. Level off and 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.

**Beginner – Red tag** The Scout has successfully completed the beginner's test:

Jump feetfirst into water over the head in depth, level off, and swim 25 feet on the surface. Stop, turn sharply, resume swimming and return to the starting place.

#### Non-Swimmer/Learner

Anyone who has not completed either the beginner or swimmer tests is classified as a non-swimmer.

Sometimes Scouts find it embarrassing if they know they cannot swim well enough to be classified as a swimmer. Please talk to your Scouts before camp and explain to them that they should try only what they are comfortable in trying. Explain to them that they can opt not to take the test at all and that the Aquatics staff will be more than happy to provide them with instruction. Scouts must be "Swimmers" to complete merit badges at the waterfront. Scouts may re-take the swim classification test after they have received instruction.

#### **Leaving Camp**

Scouts are under the supervision of their unit leaders. Should a camper need to leave camp (family obligations, sports, etc.) they will be released to a parent/guardian, or other adult authorized in writing by the parent/guardian. The Patriots' Path Council will not release a Scout to an unauthorized adult. A sign-out/sign-in log is kept in the camp office and must be used by all adults or Scouts entering or leaving camp outside of the normal Sunday arrival or Saturday departure schedule. Patriots' Path Council requires parents/guardians taking Scouts out of camp to have a state issued photo ID.

#### **Troop Fireguard Plan**

A blank troop Fireguard Plan is in every campsite. Please fill out the plan on Sunday when you arrive at your site. The fireguard plan will help prevent fires so we can enjoy our camp for many years to come. The plan will be discussed along with our emergency procedures and other topics at the unit leader meeting on the day your unit arrives in camp.

Remember to check with your commissioner before holding a campfire in your campsite. He will know if the ranger has instituted any fire restrictions during dry spells. As always, in camp and on your own, **no flames in tents**. This includes candles, matches, propane lanterns, and stoves.





#### **Emergency Alerts**

Winnebago has an emergency alert system (horn, siren) in place to notify campers of an emergency. When an alert is sounded, the entire camp should proceed to the dining hall, where we will conduct a head-count. Once your troop is assembled and present, check in with the director/designee. Further directions will be given at that time. We may have to initiate the emergency plan for a variety of situations including:, fire, thunderstorms, earthquakes, tornados/high winds, or a lost camper.

#### **Missing Person**

Unit leaders should make regular head-counts. If you think a Scout has gone missing, check the individual's tent, the latrine, and surrounding areas. Report any absence to a staff member. The staff will alert the camp director, and follow protocols regarding missing Scouts. Please emphasize to your Scouts the importance of the buddy system.

#### **Homesickness**

Occasionally a Scout becomes homesick. This is a traumatic experience for the Scout. Many camp personnel are skilled in dealing with homesickness. Please don't hesitate to ask for help from any staff member.

#### **Animals**

#### **Animal Bites/Insect Bites**

Immediately notify the health officer.

#### **Bears**

Bears have been a part of the woods surrounding our camps for thousands of years. They feed off wild berries and fruits as part of the ecological process and help scavenge edible refuse from the area. Our camp and tent sites are a part of the bear's natural habitat. Bears will generally avoid contact with humans, but have the need to eat, like all living things.

Please – Keep a clean campsite and **no food or smellables in tents or lean-tos**. Keep these items stowed away in a safe place. A bear information page is posted in each campsite. Please read it and discuss with your Scouts.

If you encounter a bear, remain calm and do not run. Make sure the bear has an escape route. Avoid direct eye contact, back up slowly and speak with a low, assertive voice. Notify a staff member.

#### **Bats**

Bats are inherent at any camp. At no time is anyone to ever touch a bat. If you come in contact or even suspect contact with a bat, see the health officer and/or camp director immediately. Every bat is considered to be rabid. So if anyone comes into contact with a bat and it isn't captured, the person will go for rabies shots!!! Please take this concern seriously.

#### **Tick Treatment**

The health officer should perform all tick removals at camp. Please discuss ticks with your Scouts.

#### Mosquitoes

Mosquitoes are a part of the environment here at camp. Use of dark clothes and bug repellant, such as skin so soft, deep woods, and DET are encouraged. Please do not apply "bug spray" directly on or in the tents as it damages the canvas.





## **Camp Policies**

#### **Patriots' Path Council Camping Policies**

The complete Patriots' Path Council Camping Policies document can be found on our website at <a href="https://www.ppcbsa.org/camping">www.ppcbsa.org/camping</a>. The remainder of this section of the leaders' guide highlights some key information and policies that pertain to summer camp.

#### **Accountability/Unauthorized Person in Camp**

If you see anyone who appears to be an unauthorized person, or anyone without a wristband, please notify a staff member immediately.

#### **Camp Facilities Policies**

- There is a \$50 per hour maintenance repair fee for malicious damage to camp facilities or equipment.
- There is only one (1) campfire (must use fire ring) per site, if allowed by camp ranger.
- Please be environmentally conscious and pick up any trash you find in camp.
- Be aware of ticks, bees, bats and bears. Notify camp staff members of any strange acting nocturnal animals.
- Keep shower houses and bathrooms clean.

#### **Leave No Trace**

"Leave No Trace" is a nationally recognized outdoor skills and ethics education program. The Boy Scouts of America is committed to this program. The principles of Leave No Trace are not rules; they are guidelines to follow at all times.

The Leave No Trace principles might not seem important at first glance, but their value is apparent when considering the combined effects of millions of outdoor visitors. One poorly located campsite or campfire is of little significance, but thousands of such instances seriously degrade the outdoor experience for all. Leaving no trace is everyone's responsibility.

#### **Lost and Found**

All Patriots' Path Council camps will hold any items that are found in camp for a period one week; medications; food; perishables will be destroyed immediately. Articles may be retrieved by claiming the item in person at the camp office during the camp season. Any item not claimed within that period will be discarded.

#### **Personal Bike Policy**

Personal bicycles are allowed in camp with prior permission from the camp director. Everyone bringing their bike to camp is asked to always wear a helmet and ride at a safe speed.

#### **Pets in Camp**

The Boy Scouts of America does not permit pets at camp. Please leave them at home with a caregiver. Individuals bringing pets will be asked to remove them from camp property.

#### **Private and Off Limits Areas**

Some of our buildings and camp areas are off limits to Scouts and leaders. Please respect the privacy of our staff and avoid their living quarters. Please do not enter any program areas without staff present. Off limits areas include:

- Behind the rifle, shotgun and archery ranges
- Ranger's residence
- Staff living quarters
- Camp Marcella just west of camp





### **Prohibited Items**

BSA or Patriots' Path Council policies prohibit the following in camp:

- Motorcycles
- Generators
- Pets
- Fireworks
- Firearms
- Bows and arrows
- Chain saws
- Sheath knives
- Hunting
- Gambling

- SCUBA tanks and wetsuits (snorkeling equipment may only be used during Snorkeling BSA instruction).
- Personal Climbing Equipment (Exceptions: climbing shoes, gloves).
- Tobacco use of tobacco products is prohibited in view of Scouts.
- Alcohol the Boy Scouts of America prohibits the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances at encampments or activities on property owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America, or at any activity involving the participation of youth members. This includes offsite locations before or during the activity.
- Heaters Kerosene, electric and propane heaters are prohibited in our camps.

Violators of this policy may be asked to leave the property and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

### **Vehicle Policy**

All our camps are designed for rustic camping. The campsites are in the woods and are a 5 to 10 minute walk from the parking lot. They are designed with Scout camping methods in mind; therefore, the following vehicle policies are established for camping at all our camps.

- Park in the parking lot only.
- The posted speed limit in camps, parking lots, council properties, etc. is 15 mph.
- Please observe the posted speed limit in camp. No vehicles are allowed in restricted areas. Please keep them in designated parking lots.
- There will be no unauthorized vehicles on camp roads.
- Camp vehicles, and those personal vehicles authorized by the camp director, will transport gear to the campsites both
  at the beginning and the end of the camping period.
- All pick-up and drop off of Scouts and their equipment will be made from the parking lot.
- Do not drive vehicles past barriers.
- A temporary waiver of the no personal vehicles policy may be considered for health or other reasons, at the discretion of the camp director.
- Trailers will be allowed to be towed to sites and left there during unit stay. They will be allowed to be retrieved at the end of the week.
- The camp director will notify unit leader of any infraction of the vehicle policy.

### **Parking**

The parking lot at camp is too small for all Scouts and their parents to arrive separately. Please help us by carpooling when transporting boys and equipment to and from camp. This benefits both your experience and the environment. All vehicles must remain in the parking lot while at camp.

#### **Woods Tools Use**

Scouts will not cut or mar trees, buildings, or any other camp equipment with any sharpened tool. Proper use of knife, axe, and saw must be demonstrated at all times - used unwisely, they become dangerous. There is no need for non-folding sheath knives in camp. Please leave them at home.





# **Appendices**

## **Daily Campsite Visitation Form**

Unit:	Week:	Site:

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COMMISSIONER SIGNATURE:	
TROOP REPRESENTATIVE:	





## **Camp Evaluation Form**

Week:	1	2 3 4		Council/District/Troop #	<i>J</i>	J
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		Excellent	Very Good	Good	Average	Poor	N/A
р	Website/Information						
Pre Camp	Registration / Council Support						
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P	Leaders' Guide						
	Arrival/Check-In						
	Camp Director Support						
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	Aquatics						
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	Paint Ball Action Adventure						
E	Rifle						
Program	Shotgun						
Pro	Trail to Eagle						
	Zip Lines						
	Camp Theme						
	Campwide Games						
	Campfires						
	Water Carnival						
	Merit Badge Offerings (quantity and variety)						
	Merit Badge Scheduling (availability)						
	Staff Appearance						
Staff	Staff Attitude						
S	Staff Attentiveness to needs						
=	Overall Experience						
Overall	Would you recommend Winnebago to another troop for summer camp?						

Please leave comments on the back – we are always looking to improve our programs/services.





### Winnebago Acorn Award

Every Scout attending Winnebago Scout Reservation will have the opportunity to earn the Winnebago Scout Reservation Acorn Award as a symbol of individual involvement and participation in the many programs and activities of our summer camp. This award must be earned, and is not given for attendance at camp. You will be given a special sheet for recording your requirements. In order to qualify, a Scout or leader must do five (5) of the seven (7) items listed below. Your Scoutmaster or SPL can initial any of the boxes signifying that you have completed the requirement. Once completed, turn in this form to your SPL. He will pass it on to the commissioner. This is an individual Scout award.

#### Requirements:

- 1. While at camp, earn one (1) merit badge, rank advancement or activity badge from any of those offered, i.e., Polar Bear Swim, Mile Swim
- 2. Advance one (1) swimming classification while at camp, i.e., non-swimmer to beginner, beginner to swimmer. If a swimmer, help your unit conduct a safe swim defense session.
- 3. Cook one (1) utensil-less meal while at camp (may be done in connection with an overnight, Dan Beard program, or Tuesday night in-site cooking).
- 4. Identify six (6) different trees at Winnebago Scout Reservation.
- 5. While at camp, get to know your staff. Please obtain twenty (20) different staff signatures.
- 6. Do a 3-hour conservation project as approved by the camp ranger.
- 7. While in camp, participate in a unit volleyball match, unit rifle/shotgun, unit Challenge Course, or archery shoot.





#### **Green Bar Bill Honor Patrol Award**

William "Green Bar Bill" Hillcourt was one of the defining characters of the Boy Scouts of America. His numerous publications, including the 1979 edition of the Boy Scout Handbook, were hallmarks of the Scouting movement. Green Bar Bill visited Winnebago and the staff. Bill Hillcourt died in 1993 and is buried in Mendham, New Jersey, near Schiff Scout Reservation, where he lived and worked for many years. Have your senior patrol leader initial the requirements as the patrol completes them. Turn in the form to the senior patrol leader when it is completed.

#### Requirements:

- 1. Function as a patrol during your week of camp using the patrol method. Have your senior patrol leader sign that the patrol has done so.
- 2. Create a patrol flag to bring with you when you travel as a patrol.
- 3. Meet as a patrol on Sunday night to discuss your patrol's program for the week and have individual members set personal goals.
- 4. Post a duty roster, made by the patrol and approved by the senior patrol leader, listing the duties of each of the patrol members during the week.
- 5. Participate as a patrol in all troop activities determined by the junior leaders (SPL, ASPL, PLs, etc.) such as troop shoots, troop swims, improvement projects, etc. Have your senior patrol leader sign that at least 50% of your patrol participated in each activity.
- 6. Participate as a patrol in the camp wide vespers service with at least 50% of the patrol in attendance.
- 7. Participate as a patrol in at least two programs, each in different areas, offered at the following program areas: Aquatics (other than troop swim), Handicraft, Ecology/Conservation, Outdoor Skills, Challenge Course, and Shooting Sports or other program features. At least 50% of the patrol must be in attendance for each event.
- 8. Participate as a patrol in a Camp Wide Game.
- 9. At least 50% of the members of the patrol must earn the Winnebago Acorn Award.





### **Baden Powell Honor Troop Award**

Lord Baden-Powell was a soldier in Her Majesty's Army in the United Kingdom. After retiring from the army, Baden-Powell embarked on a new project of forming an organization for boys, which began the Scouting movement; it would "offer instruction in the many valuable qualities which go to make a good citizen equally with a good Scout". Have your Scoutmaster initial each requirement as it is completed. Turn in the form (available in the office) to your commissioner by 5:00 pm on Friday.

#### Requirements:

- 1. 50% of the patrols in your troop must earn the Green Bar Bill Honor Patrol Award.
- 2. Show that your unit maintains a safe and healthy camp site by earning points on the Commissioner Daily Visitation according to the following guidelines:
  - a. Monday & Tuesday 85 points or more
  - b. Wednesday & Thursday 90 points or more
  - c. Friday 95 points or more
- 3. Create a small (no more than one foot square) centerpiece for each of your troop's Dining Hall table(s) that is somehow indicative of the membership of your troop.
- 4. Participate in a camp wide event.
- 5. Build a troop gateway to your camp site. (Must be removed prior to departing camp.)
- 6. Complete a camp improvement project.
- 7. Have 100% Scout and leader participation in the camp evaluation process.





### **History of Winnebago Scout Reservation**

The first people to live in this area were the Delaware Indians - the Lenni Lenape people. Most Lenape villages were located along the Delaware River, but trails passed through this area which the Native Americans used to travel to the east for trade and for gathering shellfish near the mouth of the great Passaic River. The current Route 46 was such a major trail.

### 100 Years Ago

If you visited what is now Winnebago 100 years ago, the land would appear very different. On the way up into our mountains from Denville and Rockaway Borough, one would have passed extensive iron mining operations. The Hibernia Mines, the Beach Glen Mines and others date back to Revolutionary War times, and were active mines well into the first half the 1900's. The iron ore was known as magnetite. It is dark and heavy and can be recognized by the way it moves a compass needle. Pieces of this rock can still be found as you hike the lower parts of the Four Birds Trail which starts in Hibernia. A railroad once carried the ore down out of the mountains. Mine slag, the rock left after the iron was removed from the ore, can be found along the road near the dam at the south end of Durham Pond. Mine slag was apparently used to create the earthen part of the dam. The purpose and origin of the dam is unsure.

The hills and mountains of this area were rugged, with poor soil and few areas flat enough for farming. Tough Norwegian farmers had migrated to the USA in the 1800's and established some dairy farms where they could farm throughout the hills. The Green Pond Golf Course was such a dairy farm. There were few homesteads in these rugged hills.

#### **First Scout Camping**

The first Scout camping occurred at Durham Pond in 1916. A troop from Montclair came in to camp for several weeks and set up camp at the south end of the pond near the dam. Because of a mix up with the arrangements to use the property, they were forced to leave after about a week. They moved camp to nearby Lake Ames. As was the practice in the earliest days of Scout camping, the Montclair troop brought all their own equipment, supplies and food. Scouts now call this "outpost camping." By 1923, the Boy Scouts of eastern Union County had use of a large log cabin and fields located in Watchung Reservation, which was a part of the Union County park system. The log cabin was used as a dining hall. Later, when their own camps in "North Jersey were established, the "Boy Scout Camping Area" continued to be used for short-term weekend camping.

#### 1930's and 40's

In the 1930's the Union Council Boy Scouts used a part of another council's camp, Kenetewaupec, in Blairstown for much of their camping. In 1940 the council started negotiations on a large tract of land in Marcella. The land was purchased in 1941 and by that summer the first troop camping occurred. Each campsite had a stove, an icebox, a latrine, and running water from a driven well. The first week of camp saw only one troop, Troop 23 from Elizabeth. The five campsites could handle up to 150 Scouts, and by the third week camp was full. Campers slept in tents on platforms with cots and mattresses filled with straw. Scouts paid \$7.50 for the week, and cooked their own food which was supplied by the camp. The huge property was nearly three square miles, and much of it was sold to create Camp Marcella, Camp Lewis, part of Farney State Park, and the north end of Split Rock Reservoir. Hiking and canoeing rights were retained for the north end of Split Rock.

#### 1950's

The first section of camp to be developed was at the south end. A dining hall, now called Baden Powell Lodge, was constructed as was a waterfront at the point of land now known as the Searing Site. By 1953 the road into the north end of camp was well established, and most of the camp was operating at this end. It was this year that the name Camp Winnebago was selected. The Winnebago's are a tribe of Native Americans. Up to this point, the camp was simply known as the Union Council camp in Marcella. The present dining hall was in use by this time and the Health Lodge was in what is now the Kiwanis Cabin. The trading post was in the Winter Lodge. The rifle and archery ranges were located below the dam on the trail to Split Rock Reservoir. In 1963, a small bank building from Kenilworth was moved to camp and became the present trading post and administration building for summer camp.

### 1960's





In 1967 the Hayden Foundation donated \$150,000 to dredge and deepen the lake which was becoming choked with weeds and less useful for swimming and boating. A dike was constructed across the marshy area at the north end of the lake and the dredge spoils placed behind it. The waterfront was now moved to its present location beneath the dining hall. In the 1980's the present parking lot was created and the old one converted to the parade field. This was a safety improvement which separated campers from moving vehicles. In the 1980's and 90's many camp improvements were made. Many of which were done by the Flintlock's, a group of retired Scouters who still work hard on many a weekend. Many other improvements were carried out by a group of volunteers known as the Evergreen K. It was during these years that the Baden Powell Lodge was restored for adult training purposes as well as troop cabin camping.

When did Camp become Winnebago Scout Reservation? In 1969 a Frontier Camp for wilderness camping was opened on the east side of Durham Pond. The purpose of this site was to promote week long summer troop camping in the old Scouting tradition of troop cooking. Because of the multi-camp nature the term Scout reservation was now used.

### 50th Anniversary

On August 3, 1991, Winnebago celebrated its 50th anniversary with a reunion of staff campers, and Scouters. A patch, pin, and anniversary booklet were issued. In July 2001 a similar event celebrated the 60th anniversary with camp tours, a dinner, and a campfire. Staff tenure was recognized at the campfire and Richard Manger was found to have been on staff for 41 years. The next closest was George Reinhard with 17 years. Both were still on staff for the 2011 camping season.

#### The New Millennium

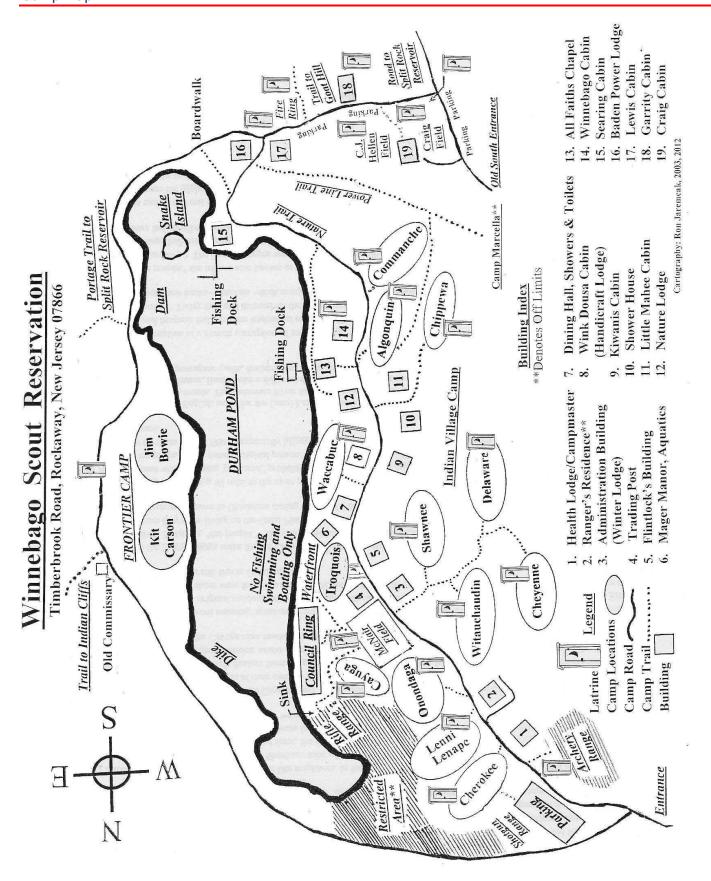
Greeting the new millennium .... It is bigger and better than any time in its history... it is WSR in terms of the refurbishment of all of the camp's rustic cabins highlighted by the all new Craig field and cabin, the construction of a dining hall addition with year-round restrooms and showers featuring handicapped accessibility, the construction of campsite pavilions and the total renovation of the aquatics area including a new swimming area/dock and boating dock, an aqua trampoline, Mager Mountain and a new storage building and tower attached to the renovated boat house. The innovative programming at WSR offered multitudinous themes of Survival, Superheroes, Pirates, Wild West, a Mysterious Summer and Moby Pickle as well as the celebration of Boy Scouting's one hundredth anniversary. During this time Carl Moritz was the camp ranger retiring in 2010 followed by Curt Haak as our present ranger and camp director. In 2009 Rich Mager celebrated his 50th Anniversary as a Winnebago staff-man and his legend will continue in 2016. So indeed, Winnebago's future looks bright as it enters its 75th year of adventure and excitement filled with fun, fitness, learning and earning.

## **Night Watch**

Thousands of Scouts and Scouters have hiked and loved these Winnebago trails. Thousands have heard the Legend of Winnebago enacted by Winnebago staffers at hundreds of closing campfires. The original legend is included in this Night Watch. Its message to Scouts echoes from the hands of its unknown author sometime prior to 1959. All of you will now be part of the thousands who have hiked the trails and heard the legend. Do your part to make this camp a better place than when you found it. Start tonight with your Night Watch. If you have a campfire, keep it safe by tending and watching it all night or by extinguishing it in the proper way. If you have cabin fire do the same. It is a common practice especially when younger Scouts are present to have a watch all night for safety and to promote a feeling of security. This practice, along with the reading of the story of Camp Winnebago and the message of its legend is what we call the Night Watch.

Prepared by Jeffrey Huppert, Scouter and former Winnebago camper and staffer.









## Winnebago Dining Hall Menu

Sunday Brunch (Staff) 11:00 AM Cooks Choice Salad & Corn, Apple Sauce, Rolls & Butter Dessert Water, Bug Juice, Milk  Monday Pancakes & Syrup Hamburgers Bacon Spiral Fries Green Beans, Rolls & Butter Cold Cereal Juice, Milk, Water Water, Bug Juice Water, Bug Juice, Milk  Tuesday Breakfast Sandwich Sulfed Pork, Chips Sausage, Egg, Cheese Hash Brown, Cold Cereal Juice, Milk, Water Water, Bug Juice Water, Bug Juice, Milk	
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Cold Cereal Fruit Salad, Corn Bread & Butter	
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Thursday	
Omelet Chicken Fingers, Tater Tots Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes	
Hash Browns Salad Mushrooms, Carrots, Rolls & Butter	
Cold Cereal Cookies Salad, Dessert	
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Friday	
Waffles & Syrup Hot Dog, Fries Spaghetti & Meatballs, Chicken Parm.	
Bacon Salad Bread Sticks, Salad	
Cold Cereal Fruit Dessert	
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Saturday	
Breakfast Burrito	
Donuts	
Cold Cereal	
Juice, Milk, Water	

Breakfast bar includes: Hard Boiled Eggs, Yogurt, Fruit, and Scrambled Eggs etc. (Each day will be different)

Lunch bar includes: Macaroni Salad, Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Chicken Salad, Tuna Salad, and Egg Salad (Each day will be different)

Dinner Bar includes: Green Salad (Fixings: Broccoli, Onions, Carrots, Green Olives, Black Olives, Bacon Bits, Pepperoni, etc. (Each day will be different)

- Peanut Butter and Jelly will be available. Wheat or White Bread. 2% milk only.
- Leaders and staff are the only ones aloud at the Bars. They are responsible to get the Scouts what they want. (There is not enough room for all to go to the different bars available)
- Java Hut is for leaders & staff only!
- Ice is available if there is extra.
- The kitchen has nothing to loan, please come prepared. Allergens will be posted on menu board.
- Allergies: Dairy and gluten free allergies are very hard to accommodate. Please pre-make foods so that they may be heated up.

Menu subject to change based on availability





## Merit Badges Offered, Prerequisites and Information

Radge	Location	Prerequisites	Notes
Badge		Prerequisites	
Archery	Shooting Sports (Archery Range)		Review the merit badge pamphlet and bring to class
Art	Handicraft	6	Bring supplies for requirement 4
Astronomy 🕮	Ecology		
Athletics	Outdoor Skills	3, 5	
Backpacking 🕮	Outdoor Skills	6B, 8c, 9, 10, 11	
Basketry	Handicraft		Bring about \$15 for kits
Bird Study 🕮	Ecology		
Camping	Outdoor Skills	4b, 8d, 9a	Bring all required gear as per the merit badge book. Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond. 9a: Bring report of each trip signed by SM. 9b2
Canoeing	Aquatics	Swimmer's test	Must bring footwear that will get wet. 2nd year+ Scout
Citizenship in the Community	Trail to Eagle	3a,3b,4a,4b,5,7c	3a: Parent or SM letter
Citizenship in the Nation	Trail to Eagle	2,3,6,8	2: Parent or SM letter. 8: Copy of letter
Citizenship in the World	Trail to Eagle	4	
Collections 🕮	Handicraft		
Communications	Trail to Eagle	5	
Computers 🕮	Trail to Eagle		
Cooking	Outdoor Skills	4, 6, 7d	Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond.
Cycling (Mountain Bikes)	Field Sports	7c, 7d	Bring helmet and protective equipment.
Emergency Preparedness	Outdoor Skills	1,2b,2c,8a,8b,8c,9	Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond.
Energy 🚇	Ecology	4, 5, 6	
Environmental Science	Ecology	3e,3f,5	Bring a notebook. Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond.
Family Life	Trail to Eagle		
Fingerprinting	Handicraft		
First Aid	Outdoor Skills	1, 2d	2d: Bring homemade first aid kit. Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond.
Fish & Wildlife Mgmt 🕮	Ecology		
Fishing	Ecology		Bring fishing equipment
Fly Fishing 🕮	Ecology		
Forestry	Ecology		Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond
Geocaching	Outdoor Skills		
Geology	Ecology		Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond
Hiking	Outdoor Skills	5,6,7	7: Have reports signed by SM
Indian Lore	Handicraft	1, 2a, b, d, 4a	Bring about \$5 for a kit.
Insect Study 🕮	Ecology		
Kayaking	Aquatics	Swimmer's test	
Leatherwork	Handicraft		Bring about \$7 for kits
Lifesaving	Aquatics	1a, Swimmer's test	Bring a long sleeve shirt and pants, socks, footwear and belt that will get wet. 3rd year+ Scout
Mammal Study	Ecology		
Metalwork	Handicraft		
Model Design & Building	Handicraft		





## Merit Badges Offered, Prerequisites and Information

Badge	Location	Prerequisites	Notes
Nature	Ecology		Bring collections
Oceanography 🚇	Ecology		
Orienteering	Outdoor Skills	7, 8, 9	Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond.
Painting 🚇	Program Director		
Personal Fitness	Trail to Eagle	1b, 7, 8	
Personal Management	Trail to Eagle	2	
Pioneering	Outdoor Skills		Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond.
Plumbing 🛄	Program Director		
Public Speaking 🚇	Trail to Eagle		
Radio 🕮	Program Director		
Reptile & Amphibian Study	Ecology	8	Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond
Rifle Shooting	Shooting Sports (Rifle Range)		Review the merit badge pamphlet and bring to class.
Rowing	Aquatics	Swimmer's test	Bring footwear that will get wet. 2nd year+ Scout.
Shotgun Shooting	Shooting Sports (Shotgun Range)		Review the merit badge pamphlet and bring to class. \$20 fee.
Small Boat Sailing	Aquatics	Swimmer's test	Bring footwear that will get wet. 2nd year+ Scout.
Soil & Water Conservation	Ecology		Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond
Space Exploration	Ecology		Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond
Sports	Field Sports	4, 5	Appointment
Swimming	Aquatics	3, 10c, Swimmer's test	Must bring a long sleeve shirt and pants that will get wet.
Traffic Safety 🕮	Program Director		
Weather	Ecology		
Wilderness Survival	Outdoor Skills		Should be a 2nd year Scout or beyond.
Wood Carving	Handicraft		Bring about \$5 for kits

Independent Study badge





## **Dan Beard Program Schedule**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9am-12pm	Introduction to:  Knots Orienteering First Aid Citizenship Hiking Skills Patrol Method Indian Lore MB	Introduction to:  Cooking Basics Lashing Basics Camping Skills  Visit Program Areas: Archery Field Sports Rifle Range  Build On: Citizenship	Introduction to:  E D G E Conservation & Nature  Build On: Knots/Whipping & Fusing Camping Skills Orienteering First Aid Citizenship Tin Foil Cooking/Lunch	Introduction to:  Realistic First Aid Leave-No-Trace Patrol Knot Tying Competition  Build On: Orienteering	Rise and Shine!  Scouts in Polar Bear Off to Aquatics Pack-Up & Clean-Up Citizenship for Life Awards & Mementos Return to Troop Campsites in time for Morning Colors and Breakfast
2pm-5pm	Build On:  Morning Activities  Woods Tools:  Safety & Handling Proper Methods Totin' Chip  Introduction to:  Model Campsite	Dan Beard Aquatics:  Buddy System 2nd & 1st Class Req. Safe Swim Defense Safety Afloat FUN! FUN! FUN!  Visit Handicraft: Leatherwork MB	Afternoon Free To Have Fun!  Scouts are encouraged to visit program areas with special opportunities to:  Try the Shotgun Range for free Work on Indian Lore and Leatherwork MB's independently, or Take the 2nd Class 5 mile orienteering hike (optional)	Dan Beard Outpost Activities:  Camping Equipment Shakedown Patrol Site Set-Up  Visit Ecology Area: Plant Identification Animal Identification	Free Day To Have Fun!  Scouts are encouraged to  Finish Indian Lore & Leatherwork MB's, Visit their favorite Program Areas Have FUN! FUN! FUN!  Older Scouts who need a few requirements to finish either Second or First Class have the opportunity to do so all day!  First Class 1 mile orienteering hike available in the afternoon (optional)
Evening	Advanced First Aid	Fingerprinting MB	Campwide Game	Outpost Activities  Conservation Project Ultimate Frisbee Dutch Oven Cooking/Dinner Firem'n Chit SMORES Song Festival Flag Retirement Sleep in the tent you have set up or under the stars	

This schedule is flexible and subject to change due to weather, or the needs of the Scout participants.





# **Daily Camp Schedule**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7:45		Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call
7:45		Colors	Colors	Colors	Colors	Colors	Colors
2.00		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
8:00			Vespers 8:45				
9:00		Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	Check Out
10:00		Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	
11:00		Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	Morning Program	
12:15		Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	
12:30	Arrival & Check In	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
1,00	(based on campsite)	Siesta	Siesta	Siesta	Vespers	Siesta	
1:00			Old Man of the Mtn	Robin Hood	Siesta		
2:00	Troop Orientation	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	
3:00	Troop Orientation	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	
4:00	Troop Orientation	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Afternoon Program	Water Carnival 4:15 – 5:30	
5:30			Food Pickup				
F 45	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	In Site Cooking	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	Waiters Call	
5:45	Colors	Colors		Colors	Colors		
6:00	Dinner	Dinner	Dutch Oven Dessert Competition	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
6:45		Unit Photos	Return Leftovers				
7:00	Merit Badge Meet & Greet			Campwide Games 7-9:00			
7:45						Colors	
8:00						Campfire	
8:30	Campfire			Movie Night			
9:30	(meet at 8:15)					Leader Meeting	
10:00	Leader Meeting (after campfire) Fire Watch & Taps	Fire Watch & Taps	Fire Watch & Taps	Fire Watch & Taps	Fire Watch & Taps	Fire Watch & Taps	
	Fire watch & raps						





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					Aqua	itics					
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes
Canoeing MB		✓		✓							
Kayaking MB		✓		✓							
Lifesaving MB			10 -	11:50							
Rowing MB		✓									
Small Boat Sailing MB		✓		✓							
Swimming MB			✓	✓							
BSA Lifeguard											See notes in Aquatics section
BSA Standup Paddleboard award											See assistant program director
Instructional Swim						✓					
Mile Swim, BSA						✓	✓	✓			See notes in Aquatics section
Miss Winnie Fishing Charter	6-7:30									7-8:30	Evenings: M,Tu,Th only. \$1 youth \$2 adults
Open Swim						✓	✓	M -Th			,
Troop Swim										7-8:30	M,Tu,Th only. Sign up at Aquatics.
Open Boating						✓	✓	M -Th		7-8:30	Evenings: M,Tu,Th only
Polar Bear Swim	6:45-7:20										Mon – Sat. Must attend 5 of 6
Training - Aquatics Supervision: Swimming and Water Rescue											See assistant program director
Training - Aquatics Supervision: Paddle Craft Safety											See assistant program director
Training - Safe Swim Defense & Safety Afloat										7:30-8:30	M,Tu or Th - adults
Water Carnival								4:15 -	5:30 Fri		

Shooting Sports												
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes	
Archery MB		✓	✓	Lab							Lab: Extra practice/qualifying	
Rifle Shooting MB		✓	Lab	✓							Lab: Extra practice/qualifying	
Shotgun Shooting MB		Lab	✓	✓							Lab: Extra practice/qualifying	
Open Archery						✓	✓	M -Th		7:00 M,Tu,Th		
Open Rifle						✓	✓	M -Th		7:00 M,Tu,Th	\$0.25 per target and 5 shots	
Open Shotgun						✓	✓	M -Th		7:00 Tu,Th	\$2 for 5 shots	
Old Man of the Mountain					Tue						18 years+	
Paintball Action Adventure						✓	✓	M -Th			20 shots for \$1	
Robin Hood Challenge					Wed						18 years+	

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	Outdoor Skills and Field Sports											
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes	
Athletics MB		✓				✓						
Backpacking MB 🛄											Independent Study	
Camping MB		✓		✓			✓					
Cooking MB			✓			✓						
Cycling MB			✓			✓						
Emergency Preparedness MB						✓						
First Aid MB			10 - 1	L1:30			3 -	4:30				
Geocaching MB		✓										
Hiking MB		✓										
Orienteering MB				✓				✓				
Pioneering MB			✓			✓						
Sports MB			✓	✓								
Wilderness Survival MB			✓	✓								
Paul Bunyan Woodsman								M -Th			Class	
Cooking Demonstrations							✓					
Backpack Experience											See Outdoor Skills Director	
Canoe Portage Experience											See Outdoor Skills Director	
Batting Cage						✓	✓	M -Th				
Mountain Biking			✓			✓						
Skateboard Half Pipe						✓	✓	M -Th				
Other Sports & Games											Visit field sports shed or camp office	
Zip Lines		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		M, Tu, Th	Minimum weight requirement; Closes at 3:45 on Friday	





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Ecology											
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes
Astronomy MB 🛄											Independent Study
Bird Study MB 🛄											Independent Study
Energy MB 🛄											Independent Study
Environmental Science MB		✓		Lab		✓		✓			Lab: Optional for make-up & projects
Fish & Wildlife Management MB 🛄											Independent Study
Fishing MB			✓	✓							
Fly Fishing MB 🛄											Independent Study
Forestry MB			✓								
Geology MB		✓					✓				
Insect Study MB 🕮											Independent Study
Mammal Study MB		✓									
Nature MB			✓				✓				
Oceanography MB 🛄											Independent Study
Reptile & Amphibian Study MB								✓			
Soil & Water Conservation MB				✓							
Space Exploration MB							✓				
Weather MB						✓					
Fish Fry			Fri	Fri							
Mud Hike								Tue			
Night Owl Hike										8:45 Wed	
Star Gazing										9:00 Th	

Trail to Eagle											
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes
Citizenship in the Community MB		✓						✓			
Citizenship in the Nation MB			✓				✓				
Citizenship in the World MB				✓		✓					
Communications MB		✓				✓					
Computers MB 🛄											Independent Study
Family Life MB			✓				✓				
Personal Fitness MB				✓				✓			
Personal Management MB			✓				✓				
Public Speaking MB 🛄											Independent Study

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Handicraft											
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes
Art MB		✓				✓					
Basketry MB		✓		✓							
Collections MB 🕮											Independent Study
Fingerprinting MB										7:00 Tu	
Indian Lore MB			✓								
Leatherwork MB			✓			✓		✓			
Metalwork MB								✓			
Model Design & Building MB			✓								
Wood Carving MB		✓		✓			✓				
Open Handicraft						✓	✓	M -Th		7:00 M,Tu,Th	

Health Lodge											
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes

See Program Director											
Merit Badge / Program	AM	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	PM	Notes
Painting MB 🕮											Independent Study
Plumbing MB 🛄											Independent Study
Radio MB 🛄											Independent Study
Traffic Safety MB 🛄											Independent Study





## Notes
