

2021 Cub Camping Parents/Leaders Guide



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BADEN-POWELL COUNCIL, BSA CAMPING PHILOSOPHY

There is a common thread in purpose and method, which runs through every part of the scout camping program. Our aim is to clearly define that thread so that the purpose of camping will unify our dedication to the highest ideals of scouting. Organized camping is a creative, educational experience utilizing the abundant resources of the natural surroundings to contribute to the physical, mental, spiritual, and social growth of our youth.

- Camping contributes to good health through supervised activity, positive experiences, and wholesome companionship.
- Camping aids in spiritual growth by helping campers recognize and appreciate the handiwork of God through nature.
- Camping contributes to social development by providing experiences in which campers learn to deal practically and effectively with their peers.
- Camping is an experience in citizenship training, providing a medium for democratic participation in decision-making and meaningful ceremonies at every level.
- Camping contributes to the development of self-reliance and resourcefulness by providing a learning experience in which campers acquire knowledge, skills, and attitudes essential to their well-being.

What is Cub Scout Camping?

Baden-Powell Council offers a variety of outdoor opportunities for Cub Scouts that continue the Cub Scout program into the spring and summer months. Camping is the highlight of the year for most Cub Scouts. These programs are designed to help scouts, parents and leaders maintain the interest generated throughout the school year and also strengthen den and pack organization for better year-round operation.

Three types of camping experiences are offered to Cub Scouts at the Council level:

- **Family Adventure Weekends** where the scouts and their parent(s) or adult partner(s) have a weekend overnight experience at either Tuscarora Scout Reservation or Camp Barton. Siblings are also welcome; dogs and other pets are not.
- **Day Camps** where scouts attend camp only during daylight hours for five days in a week or a Pop-Up Camp which is 1-2 days in July- August.
- **Resident Camps** where the Cub and Webelos Scouts stay overnight for one or more nights at either Tuscarora Scout Reservation or Camp Barton with adult leadership from the Pack.

The programs offered by the camp staff at each camp are unique, fun, and educational. They are held in the outdoors and they contribute significantly to the physical, mental, spiritual and social growth of each Cub Scout. These camps also introduce and develop skills that scouts will use later as they progress in the Scouts, BSA program.

Promotion:

The Pack is the main source of information for Cub Scouts & their families on what camping opportunities are available. If the Pack does not make the information available to the Cubs and their families, they are unlikely to be aware such opportunities exist.

What can the Pack do to promote the camping program?

- a. Distribute the Cub Camping Flyers provided at District Roundtables
- b. Actively encourage Cubs to attend camp
- c. Invite Cub Camping Committee members to make a presentation to your Pack
- d. Organize a meeting to inform the Cubs and their parents of the opportunities available
- e. Recruit leadership to accompany Cub Scouts to Camp
- f. Hold fundraising opportunities to help the Cubs raise money for camp (popcorn sales work well for this type of fundraising)

Baden-Powell Council, BSA

2021 CUB SCOUT CAMPING PROGRAMS

Family Adventure Weekends

May 1	Camp Barton
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Pop Up Camps

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Leadership:

The Pack is responsible for providing leadership to enable Cub Scouts to attend Cub Resident and Day Camps. The Pack can encourage attendance at Cub Scout Day Camps by recruiting Den Guides and Den Chiefs to attend camp with the Cub Scouts; this gives them the comfort of attending with a camp leader they and their parents know.

Registration:

Registrations for Day Camp must be completed by the parent or guardian.

Registrations for Cub Resident Camp can be done individually, but it is preferable that they be done as a Pack by a Pack Leader.

Registrations for Cub Adventure Weekends can be done individually, but it is preferable that they be done as a Pack by a Pack Leader.

All registrations are online.

To carry out the above tasks on behalf of the Pack it is strongly encouraged that a Pack appoints a *Pack Camping Coordinator*. Having one individual handling all the reservations for each Pack helps prevent confusion and provides focus to the Pack camping promotion efforts.

Camping lives on in a youth's memory long after the event ends and is usually a highlight of their time in the program. Please help the Cub Camping Committee and our camp staff members make this summer a memorable one for your Cub Scouts.

Camp Leadership Requirements

Volunteer leaders and program staff are essential to the success of the Cub Scout Camping Program. Leadership by individuals known to the Cub Scout is important to their enjoyment of their camping experience. Each type of camp has its own unique leadership requirements.

All Units attending camp must provide proof that all members attending camp are registered members of the BSA. This can be done by providing a Council generated roster of adults and youth (or Charter equivalent) or all participants' membership cards at Unit check-in time. Parents attending must have completed Youth Protection, but do not need to be registered.

Financial Aid (Camperships)

A limited number of scholarships (called camperships) are available to families who demonstrate need. Camperships are typically awarded for 50% of the camp fee for all day camp and resident camping programs on a "first come first served" basis. There are no camperships available for weekend programs. It is the policy of the Baden-Powell Council that Camperships will not be given to Scouts from Units who have not participated in popcorn sales, the nut sale or FOS at least once during the previous calendar year. A confidential Campership Application is available on www.bpcouncil.org/forms/forms and can be downloaded, completed and submitted.

Parents of Scouts requesting Camperships should be given a copy of the application to complete. It must come back to the Pack Cubmaster or Committee Chair for signature and submission to Council. Every effort should be made to keep these requests confidential. Forms must be fully filled out to be considered. **The deadline for submission of Campership forms is April 1, 2021.** This deadline is important as funding is limited and there may not be camperships available after the deadline.

Health Forms

In order for anyone to participate, either youth or adult, they must have a properly filled out Health Form at camp. The form is available for download from www.bpcouncil.org/forms.

The first two sections (Parts A & B) are filled out by the parent (or participant if over 18) and are required to participate in Family Adventure Weekends, Day Camps and Cub Scout Resident Camps. All youth must have a copy of their immunizations attached. Part C is for those participating in any camp over 72 continuous hours and includes results from a physical along with the signature of a qualified medical professional. Anyone attending Cub Resident Camp must have Part C completed and signed by a qualified medical professional to participate. Forms are only valid for one year from date of issue. Please make multiple copies of your forms and bring them with you to camp.

It is important that health forms are filled out properly. We are concerned with the health and safety of all our scouts with us in camp. The Camp Health Officer and Camp Director need to be aware of any limitations, allergies and other health concerns that could affect the Scout while in camp. It is also important that we know the same types of information on all adults in case they have problems and are not in a position to help us in their treatment.

Campers will need these forms on arrival. Please do not send them to the Council office.

Some Camps may ask you to mail them to the Camp Director before camp begins. It is always wise to keep a copy of health forms.

Medication Permission Form

All medications must be turned in to the Camp Health Officer. Prescription medications need to be in a prescription bottle with its original label. **This is a state law.** Over-the-counter medications must be in their original package with the Scout's name on them. Medications will be dispensed based on the Medication Permission form. ***No medicine can be taken at camp without this form! State Law forbids the dispensing of medication without these signatures.***

Special Needs: If your Scout has any special needs, including dietary restrictions, please bring these to the attention of the Camp Director and/or Health Officer, well in advance of the camp.

Security in Camp

The Baden-Powell Council and the leaders of our camping programs take the safety and security of all Scouts attending our camps very seriously. Certain rules are in effect to help maintain security.

A parent or guardian, or someone they designate in writing, must check in all Scouts arriving at camp. This must be done with either the in-camp den leader or the Camp Director at Day Camp or the Security Check-in at Resident Camp.

A parent or guardian, or someone they designate in writing, must pick up all Scouts. This must be done with either the in-camp den leader or the Camp Director.

The parent or guardian of any Scout who will be picked up by anyone other than that parent or guardian must fill out a Security Form. This should be turned in at the beginning of camp, and updated, as needed.

All non-campers or leaders in camp must check-in with the Camp Director or designated security person. Each camp will have visual methods of identifying individuals who do not belong. Please cooperate with these procedures and help leaders identify those individuals who may not belong and may pose a danger to the Scouts.

Council's Right to Use Images/Communications of Summer Camp Participants

The National Health Form also includes a Talent Release section that allows the Baden-Powell Council to use any photos, videos, etc. from camp in its promotional materials and presentations.

Family Adventure Weekends

All pending COVID Restrictions

May 1	Camp Barton
May 15	Tuscarora Scout Reservation
October 2-3	Camp Barton
October 9-10	Tuscarora Scout Reservation

Cost: \$20 per person and \$20 per adult

Cub Adventure weekends are theme-based camping experiences for all Cub Scouts and Webelos offered in the Fall and Spring. Cub Scouts of all ranks are encouraged to attend these weekends with their parents/guardians and other family members.

Activities planned for the weekends may include archery, fishing, nature, Handicraft, Scoutcraft, and a Saturday night campfire program.

Registration is on Saturday morning, please refer to the specific camp you are attending for a time. The program begins after check-in and concludes after the campfire that evening. Participants are invited to spend Saturday night and stay for Breakfast on Sunday morning. Fees include 3 meals and event patch.

These programs are offered to all Cub Scouts and their families, are one day in length and include an optional overnighter. A parent may bring along/supervise one other Cub Scout as long as the other Cub Scout's parents provide a written permission form signed by parent(s) to accompany him to camp. The overnight portion of this program does follow the BSA regulation that prohibits a Cub Scout from sharing a tent with an adult who is not related to him, although Scouts of a similar age may share a tent. All Scouts and accompanying adults must bring a completed Health Form Parts A & B to check-in. This can be found at www.bpcouncil.com/forms.

Equipment List: Cub Adventure Weekends

- ✓ Completed Health Form Parts A&B
- ✓ Bug Repellent
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Water Bottle
- ✓ Flashlight and Batteries
- ✓ Light Jacket, Raincoat, Poncho, Sweatshirt and Appropriate Hat for the weather
- ✓ Camera (Optional)
- ✓ Back Pack

If you are planning to spend the night you will also need:

- ✓ Tent
- ✓ Sleeping Bag or blankets and pillow
- ✓ Toothbrush, toothpaste, towel, washcloth and soap

Day Camp

2021 Theme: Cub Scout Minecraft

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Pop Up Camps

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Day Camp Cost:

Before May 1:	Early Bird Fee	\$145
May 2- May 31:	Regular Fee	\$165
After May 31:	Late fee	\$190

Pop Up Camp Cost:

Before May 1	Early Bird Fee	\$75
After May 1	Regular Fee	\$90

General Information:

Cub Scout Day Camp is an outdoor experience that is held in summer over five days (Monday to Friday) from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The scouts are organized into dens and participate in a wide variety of activities. Archery, fishing, crafts and nature are just a few of the things they do each day. Each year the theme changes so scouts will have different theme-related activities. Day Camp program is age appropriate so Lions to Webelos will have activities that are perfect for their level of understanding and ability.

A trained volunteer staff is available to ensure every scout has a terrific experience and takes part in fun activities such as arts and crafts, nature study, water fun, archery, songs, skits, games and much more while learning new skills and making new friends. It is five days of exciting programs. All registered Cub Scouts will receive a patch, water bottle, and T-shirt. Camp is open to current Lions, Tigers, Wolf and Bear Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts. New Lion and Tiger Cubs who are going into first grade in the fall and are just joining a Pack may attend only if an adult partner also attends with them all 5 days.

Staffing Opportunities:

Day Camp staff members are VOLUNTEERS. A parent who attends day camp leadership training and attends the full week of camp and performs the duties of an area specialist or Den Guide may

be entitled to a special \$80 reduced fee for their children attending Day camp. If any Parent is interested in helping out at a Day Camp, please contact the Baden Powell Council Service Center in Binghamton (607-648-7888). They will give your name and phone number to the appropriate Day Camp Director. There is also an Adult Staff application available online at www.bpcouncil.org/forms, or at the Council Service Center.

Early/Late Care: As much as possible, all day camps will be offering early drop off and late pickup. Please speak with the individual Camp Director for availability and pricing.

2020 Day Camp Volunteer Requirement:

Each Pack which sends Scouts to Day Camp will be required to provide at least 1 adult for every 5 scouts in attendance. The adult will be eligible for the \$80.00 reduced fee for their children to attend Day Camp.

Refund Policy:

All Scouts who are unable to attend camp for any reason will receive a refund less a \$70 cancellation fee. All refund requests must be submitted to the Council Camping Department within 1 week of the end of your registered camp. Refunds will not be processed after this deadline.

Camperships:

A limited number of camperships will be available for Cub Scouts whose families demonstrate a need. Camperships are due to the Council Service Center by April 1, 2021. Forms can be found at www.bpcouncil.org/forms.

Medical Forms:

All Cub Scouts and Leaders/parents attending Day Camp must complete a Health Form Parts A&B. This form is a medical history form that is completed by the parent and does not require a physician examination. If any medication (both prescription and/or over-the counter) medication needs to be given at camp, a permission slip is needed. Please see the medical forms. **DO NOT MAIL TO THE COUNCIL OFFICE, PLEASE BRING WITH SCOUTS TO THE FIRST DAY OF CAMP.**

Security:

A Security Permission Slip must be completed by the parent when an individual other than the parent will be picking up a scout for any reason. (e.g. grandparent picks up child to take to an appointment, or several parents are carpooling and each parent will take a day to transport several scouts to and from Day Camp). Parents may also record on this form who is not allowed to pick up and leave camp with their child.

Equipment List:

Day Camp is held outdoors rain or shine. The following list is suggested equipment to bring to Day Camp:

- ✓ Completed National Health Form Part A and B (**Scout may not remain in camp without this**) www.bpcouncil.org/forms.
- ✓ Day Bag (Provided)
- ✓ Bag lunch and drink that do not need refrigeration
Camp t-shirt (received on first day)
- ✓ Towel & Bathing suit where swimming will be part of the program

- ✓ Sunscreen and bug repellent
- ✓ Light Jacket/Sweatshirt, raincoat/poncho, hat, long pants (depending on weather forecast)
- ✓ Water bottle with Scout's name prominently displayed (Provided)
- ✓ Closed toed shoes
- ✓ Medications in original bottles (prescription and non-prescription) accompanied by a Medication Permission slip. (Label each bottle with Scout's name and dosage information).
www.bpcouncil.org/forms.

Appropriate Clothing:

All scouts and staff attending Day Camp should wear closed toed shoes at all times, except during swimming activities. All participants should also be prepared for exposure to the sun and have protective clothing against prolonged sunlight as well as sun screen. Sun Screen will not be provided or applied by Day Camp staff.

Day Camp Registration Instructions:

Registrations are online only at www.scoutingevent.com/368-daycamp2021.

- Youth and adults need to be registered for each individual camp they are attending.
- Payment must be made in full to be considered registered.
- Ranks for dens formed at summer camp will be based on what the Scout will be in September, as they should have finished the requirements for their current rank by the time camp is held.
- Shirt sizes tend to run small, please keep this in mind when filling out this information. Any scout who does not have a shirt size listed will not be guaranteed their correct size. Shirts will be distributed the first day of camp. Additional shirts are available for \$10.
- Please make sure every Scout's family is aware of the refund policy before registering them for camp.
- Registration forms should be submitted for each individual camper. Pack leadership should not be registering all of the scouts together online as important information is required by the parent.

Cub Scout Resident Camp

July 4 - July 10	Tuscarora Scout Reservation (Full Week)
July 4 - July 6	Tuscarora Scout Reservation (Half Week Session 1)
July 8 - July 10	Tuscarora Scout Reservation (Half Week Session 2)

General Program Information:

Come and experience Cub Scout Resident Camp at Tuscarora! The program for each day is broken down into different activity times. Each day consists of several of the following activity areas: Nature, Scoutcraft, Sports, Swimming, Boating, Fishing, Archery, and Handicraft. In the nature area, Scouts can learn about nature and explore the wilderness that surrounds them. In Scoutcraft, Cubs and Webelos can learn valuable camping skills such as that all-important square knot and first aid. In sports, the scouts will play some field games. In Handicraft, Scouts will work with tools and their imaginations to create projects that they can keep and use. Our waterfront staff is great with both swimmers and those first-time rowers.

Cub Camp provides scouts with the opportunity to earn advancement based on the following activities: archery, swimming, fishing, geology, wildlife conservation, map and compass, and astronomy. Scouts who choose these activities will be given a checklist to bring back to their den leader indicating which requirements they did at camp. More importantly, camp provides an opportunity for a scout to spend some quality time, in a safe and organized out-of-doors program with their parents and/or Cub Scout leaders.

Resident camp is an opportunity to live in nature, develop self-confidence, build patriotism, and to just have fun. And the fun doesn't stop after dinner. The evening will always contain a memorable program for the campers, including such things as Hike to the Bear Caves, a Fire-Hike, swimming or boating or maybe even a scavenger hunt

Registration times:

Full Week Program- Sunday July 4 at 1:00 pm to Friday evening July 9 after Dinner
Half-Week Program- Sunday July 4 at 1:00 pm to Tuesday evening July 6 after Dinner
Extended Weekend- Thursday July 8 at 9:00 am to Saturday July 10 at 9:00 am

Adult Leadership and Youth Protection:

TWO-DEEP ADULT LEADERSHIP PROVIDED BY YOUR UNIT IS REQUIRED - this is a BSA standard. Shared Leadership on a rotating basis is always acceptable – just fill out the Shared Leadership form properly and ensure two-deep coverage. All adults (18 years or older) must have completed Youth Protection training. <https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/>

Leadership must be provided by the Pack. Pack leadership is defined as two adults (both must be 21 or older), who are registered (in any capacity) with the Pack for the first 1-5 Scouts participating. An additional adult is required for every additional 1-5 Scouts. (For example, a Pack sending 13 Scouts must provide a total of 3 adults). These adults accompany the scouts as they rotate to different activities, go to meals and stay with the Scouts in their campsite overnight. Adults may trade responsibilities with other adults in order to get time to relax, but there should always be a minimum of two-deep leadership in camp. Some Packs rotate leaders during the program as vacation times allow and this is fine as long as all adults are included on the Pack

roster so that they may be properly checked in when they get to camp. Packs bringing more than 8 Scouts may wish to bring a Den Chief and may do so for free. Den Chiefs for Packs with less than 8 scouts are welcome but will be charged the same amount as adults.

If a Scout would like to attend camp, but their Pack is not attending that camp, they may attend simply by registering online at www.scoutingevent.com/368-cubresidentcamp2021. *In the event that a unit cannot provide two deep leadership, the camp will combine participants into a group to maintain two-deep leadership.*

Cub Scout Resident Camp General Information:

Registration is online only at www.scoutingevent.com/368-cubresidentcamp2021.

2021 Cub Scout Resident Camp Fees

	Early Bird** (before 5/1/21)	Regular Fee (after 5/1/21)	Adult Fee*
Resident Overnight Camp Half Week	\$180	\$200	\$30
Resident Overnight Camp Full Week	\$295	\$315	\$60

**In order to qualify for the Early Bird Discount a \$30 per scout deposit must be paid by 3/31/2021 and balance due 5/1/2021.

*Free Leader Ratios

1-5 Scouts = 1 Free Leader

6-10 Scouts = 2 Free Leaders

10-15 Scouts = 3 Free Leaders

For each additional 5 scouts = 1 Free Leader

Camperships: A limited number of camperships will be available for Cub Scouts whose families demonstrate a need. Camperships are due to the Council Service Center by April 1, 2021. Forms can be found on www.bpcouncil.org/forms.

Refund and Cancellation Policy:

Cub Scouts who are unable to attend camp or leave camp for any reason other than disciplinary will receive a refund less a \$75.00 cancellation/service fee for Cub Scout Resident Camp. This fee will help cover the supplies and food that were purchased and Staff that were made available based on anticipated camp attendance. This is effective from May 15, 2021 until after the Summer Camping Season concludes. From May 15th until the last week of June 2021, appropriate credits will be issued to Pack accounts to offset remaining balances. During the Camping Season, refund requests will be accepted while the Pack is at camp and checks will be issued only to the Pack by August 31st. No checks will be issued to individuals.

Sleeping: All participants will sleep in canvas tents that are placed on wooden platforms or in wooden lean-tos. Everyone will have a cot and mattress.

Medical Forms:

Cub Scout Camp must have Parts A, B, and C completed and signed by a qualified medical professional to participate. Forms are only valid for one year from date of issue. Please make

multiple copies of your forms and bring them with you to camp. DO NOT SEND HEALTH FORMS TO THE COUNCIL OFFICE. www.bpcouncil.org/forms.

Campsite & Tent Assignments: Every effort will be made to assign your Pack to a campsite before check-in. Because of the varying sizes of different Packs, you may be sharing a campsite with another Pack. Individual tent assignments are the responsibility of the leaders in camp site.

Smoking: It is the policy of the BSA that no leaders, volunteers or staff, use tobacco products, in any form, in the presence of youth members. All buildings and facilities under the control of the Baden-Powell Council are designated as non-smoking facilities. There will be a designated smoking area in each camp away from the youth areas. There is no smoking in the campsites.

Controlled substances: Alcohol and illegal drugs will not be tolerated on camp property. In addition, all medications must be properly labeled with name and dosage information, in their original containers, and turned in to our Camp Health Officer, along with a Medication Permission Slip, at check-in to be placed under lock and key. We do not permit firearms, ammunition, or fireworks of any kind to be brought to camp. Violators will be asked to leave immediately.

Security: All individuals arriving at camp during the week must sign in at the camp security checkpoint (or camp office if no security checkpoint is posted). Only the parent or guardian, or an individual designated in writing by them, may drop off or pick up a Scout from camp. Use the Security Form in this guide to make any necessary designation.

Extra food: Although it may seem like a good idea to send snacks with your campers please be aware that Tuscarora Scout Reservation does not permit food to remain in the campsite. Campers with special needs can decide to have food stored with the cooks in the Dining Hall or with the Health Officer. This is for the safety of your scouts and their leaders; please don't invite skunks, porcupines, raccoons, mice, or bears to your campsite by bringing extra food.

Shower Facilities: There are hot showers available to all participants.

Transportation: Each Pack is responsible for safe transportation to and from camp and must meet insurance requirements of the BSA. Whether in or out of camp it is against BSA regulation to transport Scouts without seatbelts. Riding in the back of a pick-up truck is prohibited.

Parking: When you arrive at camp you will be asked to park in a specific area due to limited space. Do not plan on leaving a vehicle at your site as they interfere with emergency vehicles and are only approved for medical reasons by the camp director.

Cub Scout Camp Equipment List:

Resident Camp is held outdoors, rain or shine. The following list is suggested personal equipment to bring to Resident Camp:

- ___ **Completed Health Form** (mandatory, or Scout/leader must go home)
- ___ **Completed Medication Form** if any medication is to be taken at camp
- ___ Towel & bathing suit
- ___ Sunscreen
- ___ Bug repellent
- ___ Flashlight with extra batteries
- ___ Sleeping bag or blankets (with a sheet for hot nights) and a pillow
- ___ Toothbrush and paste, soap
- ___ Appropriate clothing: socks (bring extra!), underwear, jacket, raincoat or poncho, hat, shorts, long pants, T-shirts, hiking shoes or extra sneakers
- ___ Water bottle
- ___ Scout folding knife (optional with leader's approval)
- ___ Writing materials (pen, pencil, paper)
- ___ Camera and film (optional)
- ___ Money for Trading Post
- ___ Backpack or book-bag

Leaders may wish to also bring:

- ___ Pack and American flags
- ___ Camp chair
- ___ Lantern (prefer battery operated)
- ___ Rope for a clothes line
- ___ Basic first aid kit for your campsite
- ___ Alarm clock (battery operated)
- ___ Coffee mug with lid (plastic or unbreakable)