



Camp Buck Run 2024 Leader's Guide



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SAVE THE DATE!



2024 Camp Kickoff

In Conjunction with the State of the Council
Mt. Pleasant YMCA

Date: Monday January 22, 2024

Time: 7:00pm

2024 Spring Nature Walk

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Starting Time: 9:00 am

Location: Camp Conestoga & Camp Buck Run

*Bring a bag lunch or purchase one from the Trading
Post!*

Camp Conestoga 75th Anniversary

May 17-19th 2024

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Eberly Scout Reservation

The Eberly Scout Reservation is located midway between Donegal and Somerset off Route 31, one and a half miles south of Bakersville, Pennsylvania in Laurel Hills State Park. The Reservation is made up of two camps: Camp Conestoga and Camp Buck Run. These Scout camps have been appraised as two of the best in the country. These two camps have been in operation for more than 65 years. Both camps are accredited annually by the Boy Scouts of America to ensure that they meet the most stringent standards and are nothing less than the very best. Camps Conestoga and Buck Run have been accredited each year. All Scouts in attendance are under the care of a highly trained and qualified staff. Each staff member participates in a weeklong training program to properly prepare them for their job. A resident Health Officer is also on site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Nothing is overlooked! We have made sure that your Scouts have a SAFE and FUN experience during their stay with us.



THE BSA’S DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION STATEMENT

“The Boy Scouts of America promotes a culture where each youth, volunteer, and employee feels a sense of belonging and builds communities where every person feels respected and valued.

Leading by example and encouraging each other to live by the values expressed by the Scout Oath and Scout Law, we welcome families of all backgrounds to help prepare young people to serve as successful members and leaders of our nation’s increasingly diverse communities.”

On behalf of the Westmoreland-Fayette Council,

***Welcome to
Camp Buck Run!***

About this Leader's Guide

How to Prepare for Camp

Scouters who have been camp leaders at Camp Buck Run for many years have contributed to the contents of this guide. They have, through their experience, found what works and what doesn't. This leader's guide is designed to help you. It is geared to inform not only the leader who is ensuring their unit is coming to Camp Buck Run, but also for the prospective pack. In here, you'll find clear descriptions of what Camp Buck has to offer in program as well as special features. As the Camping Coordinator, your job is easier if you start to prepare for camp in a systematic manner as soon as you receive this leader's guide by becoming familiar with the camp program and the mechanics of taking a pack to camp. Also, be sure to share this guide with your assistant leaders so they understand the camp program and are better equipped to provide leadership to your Scouts this summer. Feel free to copy any part of this book and distribute it to Scouts and parents to help with your planning.



We hope that you will find this leader's guide complete, but if any of your questions are not answered, please feel free to contact the Council Service Center of the at 724-837-1630. We look forward to your arrival at Camp Buck Run!

2024 SESSION DATES	
Session 1	June 28 – July 3, 2024
Session 2	July 12 – 17, 2024
Session 3	July 19 – 24, 2024
Session 4	July 26 – 31, 2024
Session 5	August 2 - 7, 2024

Camp Buck Run Fee Structure 2024

Please note that there have been changes to the fee structure for the upcoming camping season. The cost of camp has been increased slightly to include better program materials, great food, and overall camp improvements.

Reservation Fee- ALL SCOUTS/ADULT LEADERS

\$50.00 PER SCOUT – Must be received by **MARCH 15th, 2024**

This fee is credited toward the remaining balance. This fee is **NON-REFUNDABLE** but is transferable to within the same unit to a Scout or adult not currently registered for summer camp. Final camp fees must be paid in full by **May 10th, 2024**.

Cub Weekend Camp- Friday night through Sunday evening after Closing Campfire

Fee: \$155.00- Cub Scout, \$80.00- Parent

This camp is for the new Cub Scouts and their parents attending camp for the first time. This session will help the Scout get acquainted with the Cub Scout Camping program.

4- Day Camp- Friday night through Tuesday evening after Closing Campfire

Fee: \$225.00- Cub Scout, \$175.00 for Leaders over the free amount

Wolves and Bears attend this camp with their pack leadership.

5-Day Camp- Friday night through Wednesday evening after Closing Campfire

Fee: \$270.00- Cub Scout, \$175.00 for Leaders over the free amount

Webelos and AOL's attend this camp with their pack leadership.

Ratio of Adults to Scouts:

1–15 scouts = 1 leaders free per pack

16–25 scouts = 2 leaders free per pack

26 + scouts = 3 leaders free per pack

Please note that the term “leader” refers to an adult who is registered in the Boy Scouts of America.

Family Discount for Cub Scouts Attending Camp Buck Run:

1. The fee for two (or more) Cub Scouts from each family attending camp at Camp Buck Run is 10% less
2. This discount also applies to a Cub Scout if they have older siblings who are attending Camp Conestoga.

Camp Buck Run Refund Policy

1. Any required deposits shall be NON-REFUNDABLE.
2. Refund of fees, outside of a deposit, will be processed on a sliding scale according to the following guidelines:
 - a. Requests received 30 or more days before the event – you will receive 100% of the total event fee, less the NON-REFUNDABLE deposit.
 - b. Requests received 14 – 29 days before the event – you will receive 50% of the total event fee, less the NON-REFUNDABLE deposit.
 - c. Requests received less than 14 days before the day of the event – you will receive 25% of the total event fee, less the NON-REFUNDABLE deposit.
3. For events where you register as a unit, registrations are transferrable within the same unit to a Scout or adult leader not currently registered for the activity.
4. In the event of a documented medical reason (doctor's note required), a death in the family, a natural disaster, or a declared emergency – refund request must be submitted within fourteen (14) days following the end of the applicable activity.
5. Approved refunds will be processed within thirty (30) days of their receipt and all deposits will be made to the Unit. The unit will be responsible for the disbursement of those fees to the correct family. In Council Units, fees will be deposited into the Units account at the Council Service Center.
6. If an activity is cancelled or postponed by our council and the participant cannot attend on the alternate date, a refund request of the full fee will need to be submitted to process the refund.
7. Recognizing that we are here to “help other people at all times,” regardless of the policies set out above, full, or partial refunds may be granted for special hardship cases. Special hardship cases may include personal illness or family emergencies. Special hardship case refunds will be promptly considered and granted or denied by the Camp's Staff Advisor or Camp Director.

Campership Information

The purpose of the campership program is to assist Scouts who have a financial need and have demonstrated fiscal inability to attend council-sponsored camping opportunities. Please refer to the Campership Application in the “Camp Forms” section of this Leader’s Guide for more information.

1. AVAILABILITY & REVIEW PROCEDURES

- a. Campership applications will be reviewed by the Campership Committee.
- b. Camperships shall be available for all RESIDENT CAMPS.
- c. Camperships will be considered on a first come, first serve basis.
- d. All campership applications must be received no later than April 3, 2023.

2. APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- a. Applications shall be available on the council website at www.wfbsa.org. An application can also be found in the “Camp Forms” section of this Leader’s Guide.
 - i. Unit leaders are responsible for completing the “unit information” section and distributing applications to families with a perceived need.
- b. Parents or guardians are responsible for the remainder of the application and for its submission.
- c. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Facilities

Camp Buck Run prides itself by offering Scouts and leaders some of the finest facilities. This section has been created to help the Leaders and parents who may not be familiar with Camp Buck Run and all it has to offer.



Mail Service

The camp mailbox is checked every day and mail is delivered at mealtimes. To mail your camper a letter or postcard, have it addressed as follows:

Cub Scout's Name
Pack Number
Camp Buck Run
255 Conestoga Camp Road
Somerset, PA. 15501



A letter from home is always nice but be sure to mail it in plenty of time. You may want to mail the letter before your child leaves for camp to ensure that they receive it during their stay.

Telephone Service

Camp Phone Number: (814) 444-8531

The camp phone is available for **business and emergency use only**. If parents must call camp, it will take time to reach your child's leader. All messages will be given to the leader, and we will have the leader return the call. Scouts will not be allowed to call home themselves.



Money and Valuables

Leaders and Scouts are encouraged NOT to bring valuables to camp. The camp has no system for securing them. If you choose to bring valuables, you should have your own way of securing them. Camp Buck Run will not be held liable for lost or stolen valuables.

Spending Money

There will be a trading post at camp. Camp also offers additional handicraft activities for adults. Supplies for these activities will be provided at a low cost in the camp's trading post.

If you give your child money, it would be best to place the money in an envelope with their name on it and give it to their leader to prevent the disappointment that comes with lost money.

Lost and Found

There will be a lost and found box located in the Dining Hall. All found items should be placed there or turned in to a staff member. Leaders are encouraged to have all Scouts label their belongings with their name and pack number before bringing them to camp. At the conclusion of the season all unclaimed lost and found will be sent to the Council Service Center and will be held there for four weeks following the conclusion of camp.



Automobiles

All vehicles will be parked in the Buck Run parking area. Leaders wishing to leave camp must sign out at the Dining Hall and ensure that there are adequate leaders to supervise the Scouts in their pack during their absence. The speed limit entering and leaving camp is **10 miles per hour**. You will not be permitted to drive around camp. **ONLY** camp-owned vehicles are permitted beyond the parking lot on camp service roads. Driving around camp is hazardous to vehicles, and most importantly, **SCOUTS!**



Firearms

For the protection of Scouts in camp and in the interest of care for personal property, **NO** personal archery equipment or firearms may be brought to camp as per National BSA policies.



Pets

Even if you are just visiting camp, **pets are to be left at home!** Pets of any type are not allowed by B.S.A. National Standards. Camp abounds with native wildlife. We also ask you not to remove this wildlife from its natural habitat.



Attire

T-shirts with shorts or pants may be worn during the day. Shirts must always be worn, except in the pool. Sneakers/ closed-toe shoes and **SOCKS** must be always worn to prevent bruises, cuts, or puncture wounds of the feet. Sandals, aqua socks, or flip-flops may only be worn **IN** the shower, not on the paths leading to and from the campsite. **Appropriate swimsuits are required.**



Cabins & Tents

Scouts will stay in cabins that sleep up to 5 people. The bunks have foam mattresses. Adults will stay in wide wall tents on wooden platforms that sleep **2 people of the same sex**. There are 2 metal cots per tent with a foam mattress. Your campsite is your home while you are at camp. You are expected to keep it clean. Water and private sanitary facilities are available at each campsite. The main lodge at each campsite is used for housing and not as a common area. It will also be used as an emergency shelter as necessary during the summer.



Showerhouses

Shower and restroom facilities are in our activity field. There are separate areas for males and females. Flush toilets and electricity are available in this building. Each pack will be assigned times to clean showers and restrooms. This teaches responsibility and teamwork.



Dining Hall

At least one adult leader should sit at each table. Meals will be served both family style and cafeteria style dependent on the daily schedule.

At times, the Dining Hall must be used as an activity area. If this occurs just before a meal, the staff will need help from the adults to get the area back in shape for mealtime.

Meal Service

Scouts and adults are expected to attend all meals and to be on time. Each pack will be expected to sit together at each meal. Your pack must provide two “waiters” and one adult to help. The waiters report to the Dining Hall 15 minutes before each meal to set the tables for your den and clean up after the meal. The camp staff will instruct the waiters on how to prepare the tables for the meal. It is important that every scout take their turn as a waiter to learn responsibility. Waiters can leave once the Dining Hall steward has checked the tables and floor for cleanliness.



Lunch on Saturday and Sunday will be served in the Conestoga dining hall.

Special Dietary Needs

Camp Buck Run understands the need for special dietary needs. If someone in your pack requires special accommodations such as an alternative meal, please fill out the form on the Camp Buck Run website 2 weeks prior to your week at camp, so that appropriate accommodations can be provided. You may also just provide your own food for your stay at camp. **NO FOOD** can be stored or cooked in the kitchen. You may use the Microwave in the dining hall to heat up any meals. During each meal, Peanut Butter, Jelly, and Bread is available as an alternative.

Trading Post

The Trading Post sells a wide range of supplies including Scouting equipment, camp t-shirts, patches, handicraft supplies, and snack food. The Trading Post hours of operation are listed below.

TRADING POST HOURS OF OPERATION:

The following times are tentative, and the official schedule will be in your Leader's Packet upon arrival. The Trading Post will not be opened during meals.



Friday: Closed **Saturday:** 7:00am-9:00pm **Sunday:** 7:00am-9:00pm
Monday: 7:00am-9:00pm **Tuesday:** 7:00am-9:00pm **Wednesday:** 7:00am-5:00pm

ADVANCEMENT ITEMS

- Leather Kits
- Paracord Supplies
- Various Scouting Resource Material
- Scout Skills Gear

COMFORT ITEMS

- ☐ Flashlights
- ☐ Compass
- ☐ Postcards & Stamps
- ☐ Scout Equipment
- ☐ Notebooks

NECESSITY ITEMS

- ☐ Flashlights
- ☐ Toiletries
- ☐ Batteries

MEMORABILIA

- ☐ T-Shirts
- ☐ Patches
- ☐ Neckerchiefs
- ☐ Novelties

Official Scout Uniform shirts, shorts, & pants are NOT for sale in our Trading Post.

Online Apparel Order:

Units will have the opportunity to order a variety of camp apparel ahead of time to make sure the items they want are available. One month prior to the final fees due date the council will issue an online apparel store link where units can select and pay for their Buck Run branded merchandise in advance. Orders will be packaged up and sent to the camp office prior to the unit's arrival and will be available for pick up at the Friday night leader's meeting.

Health Lodge

Qualified personnel staff our health lodge to provide immediate first aid. If medication of any kind is to be taken at camp, you should send it with your child's leader along with a completed *Camp Buck Run Medication Record* (Form is available in the *Forms* section of this leader's guide.



MEDICAL FORMS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL CAMPS AS FOLLOWS:

Copies of Medical Forms are available at the Council Service Center, on the council's website, or by visiting <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/>.

COPIES of Medical forms are to be **brought** to camp with you. **Do Not Mail!**

- **Weekend Camp-** Cub Scouts and Adult leaders/parents- Completed Part A and Part B of the Medical form
- **4-Day Camp-** Cub Scouts and Adult leaders- Completed Medical form
- **5-Day Camp-** Completed Medical form

****Please note that Part A and B are required for all sessions of camp****

BSA Policy on Medical Forms

*"For any and all Scouting activities, all participants must complete **Part A and Part B (both pages)**. "All participants" includes parents, guardians, siblings, youth, staff, and unit leaders. Though **Part C** is only required for participation in events lasting longer than 72 hours, all Boy Scouts of America participants are encouraged to complete this pre-participation physical during an annual exam performed by a licensed health-care provider."*



Health Care

All precautions are taken to ensure a healthy and safe camping experience for all Scouts attending camp. Eberly Reservation has a fully equipped health lodge. All treatment other than minor first-aid will be administered by the reservation Health Officer.

In the event of a medical emergency, the Health Officer is available 24 hours a day. Special arrangements for treatment of more serious cases have been made with physicians in the town nearest camp and the Somerset Hospital. If such treatment is required, the campers' parents will be notified by telephone and their desires concerning further treatment will be respected.

The camp reserves the right to refuse admittance to any camper who, in the opinion of the reservation Health Officer and the Camp Director, has any physical or medical problem which could present a hazard to that camper or other campers.

Trips to Hospital - Campers requiring the services of a hospital **must** follow these procedures:

1. The responsibility of the unit leadership is to provide transportation for unit member(s) requiring services from a doctor or hospital.
2. Two adult leaders from the unit will accompany the unit member(s) requiring services from a doctor or hospital and is asked to carry insurance forms for

completion. The leader must obtain the Scout's health record from the camp office before going to the doctor or hospital. A staff member may go with the leader if necessary.

3. Parent(s) or guardian(s) will be notified by the health officer of any serious illness or injury. If parents will not be home during the week of camp, the leader should know where they can be located.
4. If the unit has inadequate transportation or if an injury requires health staff attendance, the camp will provide transportation.
5. Directions to the hospital will be available at the health lodge.
6. Any cases requiring outside medical care must be reported to and approved by the reservation Health Officer.

This is by agreement with local health service facilities.

Other Amenities

You will find that Camp Buck Run is not your ordinary Cub Scout Summer camp. Our camp has many facilities for Scouts and leaders to use during their stay. Some of them are listed below.

- ☐ Swimming Pool
- ☐ 6.5-acre Lake with canoes and rowboats
- ☐ Archery range
- ☐ BB Range
- ☐ Fully Supplied Fitness Area
- ☐ Nature and Handicraft Pavilion
- ☐ Laurel Hill Creek for FLY FISHING ONLY!
- ☐ Fully stocked Trading Post
- ☐ Hiking trails
- ☐ Climbing Wall



Fires

All Packs can have nightly campfire in their sites if the weather permits. However, please DO NOT bring firewood to camp. Bringing firewood to camp increases the possibility of transporting invasive species. Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, Emerald Ash Borer, and the Asian Longhorn Beetle are all species that could have disastrous effects on camp's ecosystem which is part of the Laurel Hill State Park. State Park officials also advise against bringing firewood into the park. Please obtain your firewood locally. We have been lucky thus far to avoid the invasion of these pests. Let's keep it that way. We must also remember that we are not permitted to cut down any trees on camp property.



Programming & Adventure Guide

Camp Buck Run Daily Schedule

(Please note that the schedule is subject to change. Use supplemental schedules for check-in, Family Nights, and check-out)

6:30am.....	Morning Fitness (Monday & Tuesday)
7:00am.....	Rise and Shine
7:35am.....	Waiter's Call/Color Guard Training
7:50am.....	Morning Colors
8:00am.....	Breakfast
9:00am-9:50am.....	Aquatics Rotation # 1
10:00am-10:50am.....	Aquatics Rotation # 2
11:00am-11:50am.....	Aquatics Rotation # 3
11:45am (Weekend) 12:15pm (Week).....	Waiter's Call
12:00pm (Weekend) 12:30pm (Week).....	Lunch
Following Lunch- 2:00pm.....	Siesta
2:00pm-2:40pm.....	Program Rotation #1
2:50pm-3:30pm.....	Program Rotation #2
3:40pm-4:20pm.....	Program Rotation #3
4:30pm-5:10pm.....	Program Rotation #4
5:35pm.....	Waiters Call/Colors Training
5:50pm.....	Evening Colors
6:00pm.....	Dinner
7:00pm-9:00pm.....	Evening Program
10:00pm.....	Lights Out

Camp Buck Run Daily Program

Camp Buck Run is a terrific place to participate in fun activities, learn new skills, and conquer amazing challenges, all while earning rank advancements! While camp is so much more than earning adventure requirements, they are the core of our programming, and this guide is designed to help Scouts understand all the ins and outs of the Camp Buck Run daily program.

Activity Rotations

Using the schedules provided, Scouts will rotate between stations in the morning and afternoon. These stations will offer activities that will cover various adventure requirements from the Cub Scouting program.

- ☐ During the morning, Scouts will be able to participate in aquatic activities using Ruth Rhoda Lake and Cook Swimming Pool at Camp Conestoga. Scouts will be able to participate in free swim, open boating, and open fishing. These will be conducted in a scheduled rotation to accommodate all participants. For any Scout that is unable to participate in the aquatics activities there will be an alternative activity provided.
- ☐ Camp Buck Run also offers BB gun and archery ranges which is staffed by trained individuals. The Scouts will receive a safety overview at each range prior to their first shooting opportunity and will be able to shoot in rotation. The BB Gun range can accommodate a maximum of eight shooters at a time. The archery range can accommodate a maximum of four shooters per round.
- ☐ Scouts will have the opportunity to visit the camp's four primary program areas during their stay. These areas include Handicraft, Nature, Campcraft, and Sports.

Program Area Instructors

Each program area is under the direction of a highly trained program instructor. Any requirements completed at camp will be under the direction of these individuals. However, when issues arise, the Camp Director serves as the final authority on advancements while at camp. All questions concerning requirements, special needs exceptions, interpretation, and official protocol should be brought to the attention of the Camp Director. Ultimately, the current edition of the Cub Scout requirements will serve to interpret uncertainty, along with the Camp Key 3 and Scout Executive.

Evening Programs

During your stay, there will be a variety of evening programs offered. Some of these programs will be scheduled in advance and listing will be provided at the Friday night leader's meeting. However, some evening programs may be scheduled based on need and will be communicated to the units during mealtimes.

Counselors in Training

C.I.T.s are an important part of developing future staff members. If a Scout turns 14 during any part of the camping season, they may be eligible to participate in the C.I.T. program. After successfully serving in the program, the Scout will be eligible to attend a week of camp at Camp Conestoga at a 50% reduced rate. Scouts who complete this program and are hired as paid staff in the following season will automatically start on the second year pay scale.

Colors and Retreat

Colors will be raised in the morning before breakfast. All Scouts and leaders who are not waiters are expected to attend. You may come to colors dressed for your day's activities. All Scouts and adults will dress in Class A uniform for retreat and dinner. Retreat is in full uniform and is held on the parade field immediately before dinner.

Leader's Meeting

After the opening campfire on the first night there will be a mandatory leader's meeting in the Dining Hall. Attendance is very important so please plan to have at least one of your leaders attend. These meetings will include pack leaders, the Camp Director, and the Program Director.

This will be a chance for you to ask questions and for the staff to give you details about upcoming program events. Even though these meetings will be brief, **they are important**, and your pack should be represented so you know what to expect.

Please refrain from bringing scouts to the Leader's Meeting

Opening Campfire

This will be a chance for you and your Scouts to meet the Camp Staff and learn what camp is all about. There will be themed songs, skits, and lots of laughs. This will be conducted at your unit's campsite in conjunction with a snack provided by the dining hall.

Chapel Services

Our Camp Chaplain will conduct a non-denominational vesper service on Sunday following breakfast.

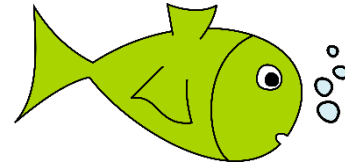
Closing Campfire

This will be a chance for you and your Scouts to exhibit your dramatic skills with skits and songs. Each group is encouraged to perform a skit, song, or cheer. Awards will be distributed during the campfire. Parents are invited to attend this celebration. The Buck Run Trading Post will be open following the campfire which is a great time to pick up those last-minute souvenirs.



Buck Run “Biggest Fish” Contest

For those who brought their fishing poles and took advantage of the abundant fish population in Ruth Rhoda Lake, an award will be given at the Closing Campfire to the Scout who landed the biggest fish. **The fish must be measured and recorded by a staff member or adult before returning it to the lake.**



Siesta

After lunch each day there is a rest period before the afternoon activities begin. It is a good time for relaxing.



Reveille

Reveille is at 7:00 AM. This is time to wash up, get dressed, and spend some time sprucing up your campsite for inspection. You may want to roll up the flaps of your tent (weather permitting) to air it out. Morning flag ceremony (Colors) is at 7:50 AM, with breakfast immediately following.

****Everyone is expected to retire to their campsite by 9:30 PM.****

Shooting and Archery Ranges

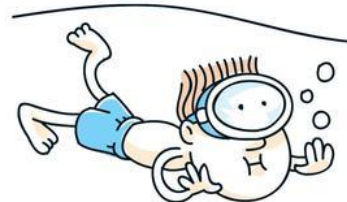
The ranges at Camp Buck Run are for the Cub Scouts only. Children under six years old and adults are not permitted to shoot the camp equipment. Trained range officers and staff will assist the Scouts with their shooting. All range rules must be followed to ensure a safe experience.



Aquatics

Each morning the entire camp will hike to Conestoga for aquatic activities at the lake and pool. Due to the limited number of boats and ratio of lifeguards to swimmers, these activities will take place in rotation. Camp Buck Run will also offer a variety of aquatic adventures. Some of these include:

1. Aquanaut (Webelos/AOL)
2. A Bear Goes Fishing (Bear)
3. Salmon Run (Bear)
4. Spirit of the Water (Wolf)



General Program for All Camps

Each day at camp, your Scouts will move from program area to program area in what we call a “round robin.” The schedule of this rotation will be distributed at the Friday night leader’s meeting. The following elements of the program apply to all scouts regardless of the camp attended. The length of stay will determine how often the Scouts are able to experience these elements.

NATURE

Nature Hike – A short hike along an established trail will test the Scouts’ observation skills.

Themed Learning – Instructors will cover a wide range of theme-related topics, including things like animals and tracks, plants, trees.

ATHLETICS

Field Sports – Themed sports, games, and other activities.

Team Sports – Scouts will be able to participate in a variety of team games and activities.

SHOOTING SPORTS

BB Gun Range - Hit the bull’s eye on the paper target while learning to hold, shoot, and handle a BB gun safely. Awards for marksmen scores will be given at closing campfire.

Target Archery Range - Stationary targets are perfect for this introduction to archery skills. Awards for an archer’s score will be given at the closing campfire.

AQUATICS

Swimming - Pool time is scheduled every day. You will be put in areas according to the skill level determined on your first day’s swim test (Please refer to “Swim Test” section for further details). This is a good time to test your skills and work on improving them.

Boating - You will be scheduled for boating time. There are certain requirements that must be met. Scouts can participate in aquatic activities based on swim test status. RWB are the only ones allowed in the canoes. RWB & RW can use the row boats. A non-swimmer (W) may use a rowboat only if there is a RWB swimmer in the boat. This is a National BSA policy and will be strictly enforced.

Fishing –Scheduled and open fishing will be available during your stay. There will be an award for the biggest fish caught given out each week. A valid Pennsylvania fishing license is required of persons age 16 and over to fish or angle for any species of fish. The license must be upon your person and provided upon the request of an officer.

ATTENTION BEAR PARENTS,

As you may be aware, we will be presenting a class on knife safety during your Scout's stay at Camp Buck Run.

The class is designed to teach the safe handling and proper care of pocketknives. This will fulfill requirements for the Bear Adventure "Bear Claws" and allow Bears to earn the Whittling Chip card, which is required for any Cub Scout to carry a pocketknife at Cub Scout functions. The Webelos may have projects where a pocketknife will be used.

We understand some of you may be concerned with the idea of the scouts carrying a pocketknife, this program is designed to teach knife safety. Even if the scouts do not earn the card, the class is important since most Scouts will use kitchen knives and other knives in the future. The actual Whittling Chip card will be given to the scouts at the end of their week at camp, however the decision to allow them to carry a pocketknife will be at the discretion of their parents.

It is very important that the Scouts understand that the Whittling Chip card is a privilege and that they respect the safety guidelines taught. To keep their card, the following safety guidelines must be followed.

1. They must always have the card in their possession while using a knife.
2. At any time, parents and any adult leader can ask for the card and it must be presented, or the knife will be collected and returned to the parents.
3. No knife will be carried on school property at any time (even by mistake). Violation of this rule will result in permanent loss of the card as well as any punishment issued by the school.
4. Any injury to another person will result in a permanent loss of the card.
5. Any time a safety rule is violated, an adult leader may remove a corner from the card. The loss of all four corners will result in the loss of the card which must be re-earned by attending and passing another Whittling Chip class.

Due to safety concerns, a parent or adult leader must attend the class with each scout. The following items should be brought to the class by the parents/adult leaders.

- A pocketknife (It does not have to be new, but it should be sharp and in good condition. We can sharpen knives prior to the class, if necessary.)
- Camp chair (This class will be held outdoors to allow space for safety reasons.)

The camp requires that each Scout reads the adventure "Bear Claws" in the Bear Handbook.

They should become familiar with all the material and should try to begin memorizing the safety rules and the Pocket Knife Pledge prior to coming to camp.

Thank you for your continued support of this program!

Camp Buck Run Administration

4- & 5-Day Specific Programs

NATURE

Nature Hike – A short hike along an established trail will test the Scouts' observation skills.

Themed Learning – Instructors will cover a wide range of theme-related topics including such things as wildlife, conservation, and geology.

(Optional) Conservation Project - The Camp Director will have a list of small conservation projects for you to do in your free time that have been recommended by the Camp Ranger, or you may get the Camp Director's approval for a project of your own design.

Night Hike – Scouts will observe the sights and sounds of a nocturnal world.

CAMPCRAFT

Compass Skills – Introduction to the basic orienteering skills, map, and compass

Fire Building - Scouts will learn about building different types of fires and their purposes

First Aid - Instruction of basic first aid skills, and recognition of injuries

Whittling Chip - Bears will be given a knife safety course to earn their Whittling Chip. Please see the letter above for more details.

COOKING AND CAMPFIRES

Cookout - All Webelos and leaders will have the opportunity to cook their own foil pack dinner for an evening meal.

Campsite Campfire - After cooking dinner, the Scouts should be encouraged to have their own campsite campfire. Activities could include singing songs, performing skits, telling campfire stories, roasting marshmallows, and most importantly having fun!

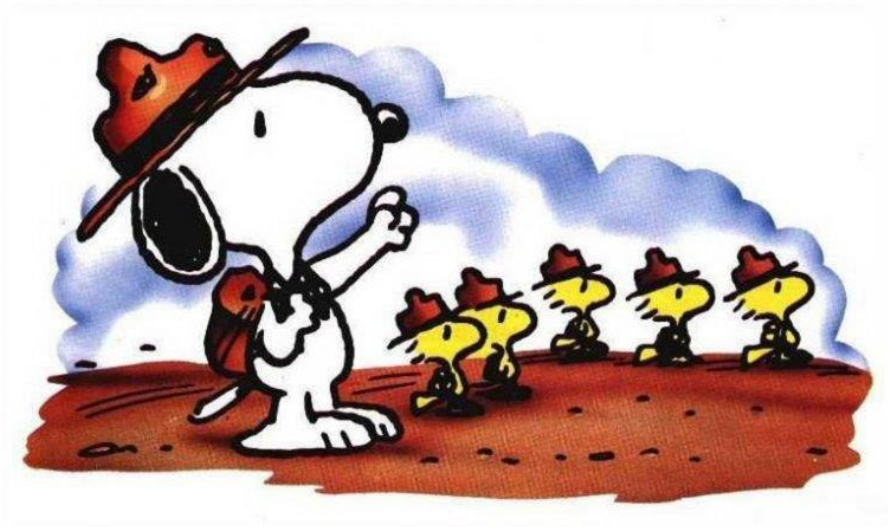
ATHLETICS

Team Sports – Scouts will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of team games and sports, while learning and practicing the importance of good sportsmanship.

Field Games- During evening and special program times, scouts will play an assortment of games and activities relating to the theme.



Role of a Leader at Camp



What Leadership is Required?

All packs must comply with the standards set forth in the Barriers to Abuse as part of the BSA's Youth Protection program. *“Two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required at all Scouting activities, including meetings. There must be a registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth. Notwithstanding the minimum leader requirements, age- and program-appropriate supervision must always be provided. All adults accompanying a Scouting unit who are present at the activity for 72 total hours or more must be registered as leaders. The 72 hours need not be consecutive.*

Any non-parent adult who is at least 18 may attend camp but is not considered an adult leader unless they are registered with the Boy Scouts of America. Any adult attending the 4- or 5-day camp must be a registered leader.

All adults who are attending camp must have Adult Youth Protection Training and their Act 34 clearances even if they are not a registered member of the BSA prior to coming to camp.

Youth Protection training can be found on the BSA website at www.scouting.org. This is for the safety of the Scouts and the adults.

Responsibilities of a Leader

Your primary responsibility as a leader in camp is the safety and supervision of your Scouts. **You**, as the leader, are also responsible for keeping track of requirements completed by each individual Scout and for supervising your campsite campfires and activities. You will be expected to always maintain control of the Scouts in your pack. Keep your Scouts together as a group. Do not let Scouts go anywhere alone. You will be expected to follow the rules and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America and those of Eberly Scout Reservation. **As a leader, you will be setting the example for your Scouts.**

Tobacco Usage

An important way adult leaders can model healthy living is by following the policies on alcohol, tobacco, and drugs. Leaders should support the attitude that they, as well as youths, are better off without tobacco in any form and may not allow the use of tobacco products at any BSA activity involving youth participants. This includes the use of electronic cigarettes, personal vaporizers, or electronic nicotine delivery systems that simulate tobacco smoking, as well as any form of smokeless tobacco.

All Scouting functions, meetings, and activities should be conducted on a smoke-free basis, with smoking areas located away from all participants. Smoking is not permitted in any building or tent. When you are finished with a cigarette either field strip it or dispose of it in a trashcan after ensuring that it is fully extinguished.

General Discipline

Discipline and conduct of all campers is the responsibility of the unit leader with the Pack. This responsibility cannot be transferred to the camp staff. The camp administration is willing to assist with problems at any time. The Camp Chaplain is available upon request for counseling. Pack committees should be sure that their leadership is trained and understands their responsibilities while in camp.

Off Limit Areas





For safety reasons, certain areas of camp are **OFF LIMITS**. Short cutting through the woods or through campsites is not allowed. Staff areas are off limits to all campers. Other off-limit areas will be explained to you at camp.

Do and Don't of Being a Leader

<i>Do's</i>	<i>Don'ts</i>
<i>DO</i> have a pre-camp meeting where all participants bring the equipment they plan to take to camp.	<i>DON'T</i> allow Scouts to bring electronic games, comic books, radios, knives (except as noted) or aerosol cans to camp.
<i>DO</i> determine cabin mates in advance	<i>DON'T</i> leave your Scouts unattended.
<i>DO</i> bring snacks, games, and activities for your Scouts for their evening off time.	<i>DON'T</i> show up at events that you are not scheduled to attend.
<i>DO</i> bring a bow saw if you want, but remember it is for <u>adult use only</u> . Use of a bow saw is not part of the camp program for any rank of the Cub Scouting program.	<i>DON'T</i> bring liquid fuel lanterns to camp. Propane lanterns and battery-powered lanterns are acceptable.
<i>DO</i> plan on your entire group arriving at the same time. You cannot register or proceed with the check-in procedure until everyone has arrived.	<i>DON'T</i> expect to drive to your campsite. <i>Be prepared to carry your own equipment to your campsite.</i> Scouts should be carrying their own gear, too.
<i>DO</i> make sure an adult accompanies your Scouts when they leave the campsite.	<i>DON'T</i> bring mothballs to put around anything.
<i>DO</i> volunteer to help where needed. <u>See the Camp Director for areas where your special talents could be used.</u>	<i>DON'T</i> bring alcoholic beverages to camp. It will result in dismissal from camp and potential legal ramifications.
	<i>DON'T</i> store food in tents or cabins
	<i>DON'T</i> bring valuables to camp.

Uniforms

Scouts and leaders are encouraged to wear the Scout uniform while in camp. However, it is not a requirement for participation. Why do the Scouts BSA have a uniform? The same reason a football or baseball team has a uniform, or just about any organized group. Why? Because a uniform gives a standard to be met, it promotes group spirit and designates equality from the start among members within the group. At camp our uniforms do the same. However, we know they are expensive and at camp they can get dirty fast. The official Scout uniform is appropriate at any time during the week at camp. We encourage all Scouts to be in their Class A uniform for the following events.

-  Evening Colors Ceremony
-  Camp Wide Vespers
-  Wednesday Parent's Night
-  Friday Night Campfire

Class 'A' uniforms are not required for morning flag ceremonies and breakfast.

Walking

Once your car is parked and unloaded, there is no driving in camp. You will be walking everywhere. All gear will be carried to and from campsites on arrival and departure. Campers will walk to and from the boating and swimming areas at Camp Conestoga escorted by Buck Run Staff. **If you have a health problem that prevents you from walking, this should be mentioned when you check in.**

Dealing with Homesickness

According to the American Camp Association, most campers report at least some homesick feelings during one day of their camp stay. Common symptoms include mild depression, anxiety, withdrawn behavior, somatic—or physical—complaints, and misbehavior.

Homesickness Risk Factors

Younger Scouts usually are those affected the most. Those who experience homesickness typically have little experience with separation, are anxious or depressed before camp, and may feel they have little control over their situation. They may have no camping experience, feel forced to attend, have insecurities at home, or have overheard their parents' express anxiety about them leaving.

Helpful Pre-Camp and Camp Strategies

- Adult leaders can mitigate many of the potential problems of homesickness by planning ahead and taking the following steps:
- Take campers for a visit prior to camp starting. If that is not possible, show them material from the camp so that they can become more familiar.
- Make sure all Scouts are included in the planning phase and discuss what camp life will be like.
- Address any fears of hazing or bullying.
- Make everyone feel a part of the group.

Once everyone is in camp, there are additional steps that can help minimize feelings of homesickness:

- Immediately get everyone integrated into the camp routine and inform them of what to expect.
- Provide social support to normalize their experience, e.g., asking an older Scout to help mentor a younger Scout who exhibits homesickness and to empathize with their feelings.
- Promote an appropriate connection with home, e.g., have them write a letter home.
- Assess the Scouts' needs and provide positive coping outlets. Some of these strategies might be to get them involved in fun activities, encouraging them to talk with other Scouts or a leader about their feelings, reminding them of the fun things that they have done or will do at camp, and providing special fun tasks to do each day.
- Encourage them and follow up regularly.

Visitors

Visitors are discouraged at Cub Resident Camp. For most of the campers at Buck Run, this is their first experience away from home. Visitors may increase the possibility of homesickness which can be very detrimental to a camper the first time at camp.

Parents, brothers and sisters, and grandparents are encouraged to join their Scout for **dinner and the closing campfire** on the last day of camp. They may arrive at the camp after 4 p.m. that evening to begin loading gear for departure. There will be a **\$5.00 charge for the evening meal that must be paid for each visitor when they check in.**

Late Arrivals, Early Departures, and Trips to Town

Anyone arriving at camp after the Pack has checked in must report to the Dining Hall with their medical form and follow regular check-in procedures.

If a Scout is to leave camp early then their leaders should be familiar with the individual picking the Scout up from camp. If a parent/legal guardian needs to pick a Scout up during their stay at camp, both the adult and Scout need to sign the logbook in the Dining Hall. The adult must sign in on their arrival at camp and both the adult and Scout must sign out upon departure. **If the person taking the Scout home is not the parent or legal guardian of the Scout, the parent/legal guardian must fill out a verification form (found in parent's guide). This form must be given to the Camp Director at check-in, or at the time the Scout departs.** This form will be kept on file.

Anyone, Scout, or Leader, who is leaving camp for any reason, must sign out in the logbook at the Dining Hall before leaving camp and sign in upon their return.

Procedures Regarding the Release of Campers to a Parent or to Persons other than a Legal Guardian at Eberly Scout Reservation

1. If a parent/legal guardian needs to pick up their child during their stay at camp, they need to sign the child out in the Dining Hall at Buck Run.
2. If a person other than a parent or legal guardian arrives to pick up a camper, verification of identification of this individual is required. They will sign the camper out and an additional form will also be completed. Camp Administration has the right to call and confirm verification of this individual from the camper's parent/legal guardian. Verification forms will be kept in the office. Leaders will be instructed on this procedure to ensure the safety of our youth.

Camp and Personal Hygiene

Personal Hygiene:

A Scout is clean. It is expected that they will keep themselves neat and clean. It is also expected that they will keep their campsite and Camp Buck Run neat and clean.

Latrine Duty:

Your den will be asked to assist the camp in keeping the shower houses clean during your stay at camp. A group will have daily responsibilities at the shower houses. Both campsites have flush toilets and washstands. Please keep these facilities clean so that others may use them. All equipment and materials required for cleaning the shower house and latrines will be provided by the camp.

Campsite Inspections:

Campsites are inspected daily, usually before noon. They are inspected for health, safety, neatness, and equipment care reasons. Leaders will be informed of any health or safety issues requiring attention. Please assign the necessary daily duties to your campers. Duties should rotate among the campers at each campsite.

Fire Warden: Makes sure that the site water barrel is filled to the top and several one-gallon cans are filled and left close to water barrel. (Scouts can do this.) Make sure that the fireguard chart is filled out (posted on campsite bulletin board) and that all fires are completely extinguished when no one is in the campsite.

Fireguard Charts: These charts will be provided in your arrival packets. They can be posted on the campsite bulletin board. The fire warden should sign off on this chart each day that the campsite has been cleared of potential fire hazards and that all necessary safety measures are in place.

Litter Patrol: Pick up litter daily around the campsite, make sure that all garbage is in the proper cans and that recycling cans are not being used for garbage. Bring garbage down to the dumpster located by the Dining Hall each day before nightfall. This will discourage critter visitation to your site.

Sweep and pick up litter around your own tent or cabin. Store loose clothing, make beds neat and roll up or keep all tent flaps down (depending on weather).



Other Important Information

Rollover Forms

When you arrive at camp, your leader will be provided with a packet of information. If you would like to guarantee your pack's week for the following year, this form must be submitted prior to leaving camp. If your pack would like to change weeks for the following year, please submit the form noting the change. However, the form will not be processed until that week has ended and the packs staying that week have been given the opportunity to submit their forms. If for some reason your form cannot be processed, the pack leader will be contacted.

Location Information

Camp Buck Run is located on Route 31 between Donegal and Somerset, in Laurel Hill State Park.

HOW TO GET THERE?

Traveling from the west....

Exit the PA Turnpike at the Donegal/Ligonier Exit 9.

Turn left onto PA Rt. 31 and travel east approximately 10 miles.
Watch for an Exxon gas station (Co-Go's) on the left.

Directly across from the station is the sign for Camp Conestoga.

Turn right at the sign and follow the road approximately one mile into Camp Conestoga.
Continue along the camp road for about one more mile and you will come to Camp Buck Run.

Traveling from the east....

Exit the PA Turnpike at the Somerset Exit 10.

Turn right onto PA Rt. 601. Travel south about 0.3 miles.
Turn right onto PA Rt. 31 west. Travel about 4 miles.

Watch for an Exxon Gas Station (Co-Go's) on the right.

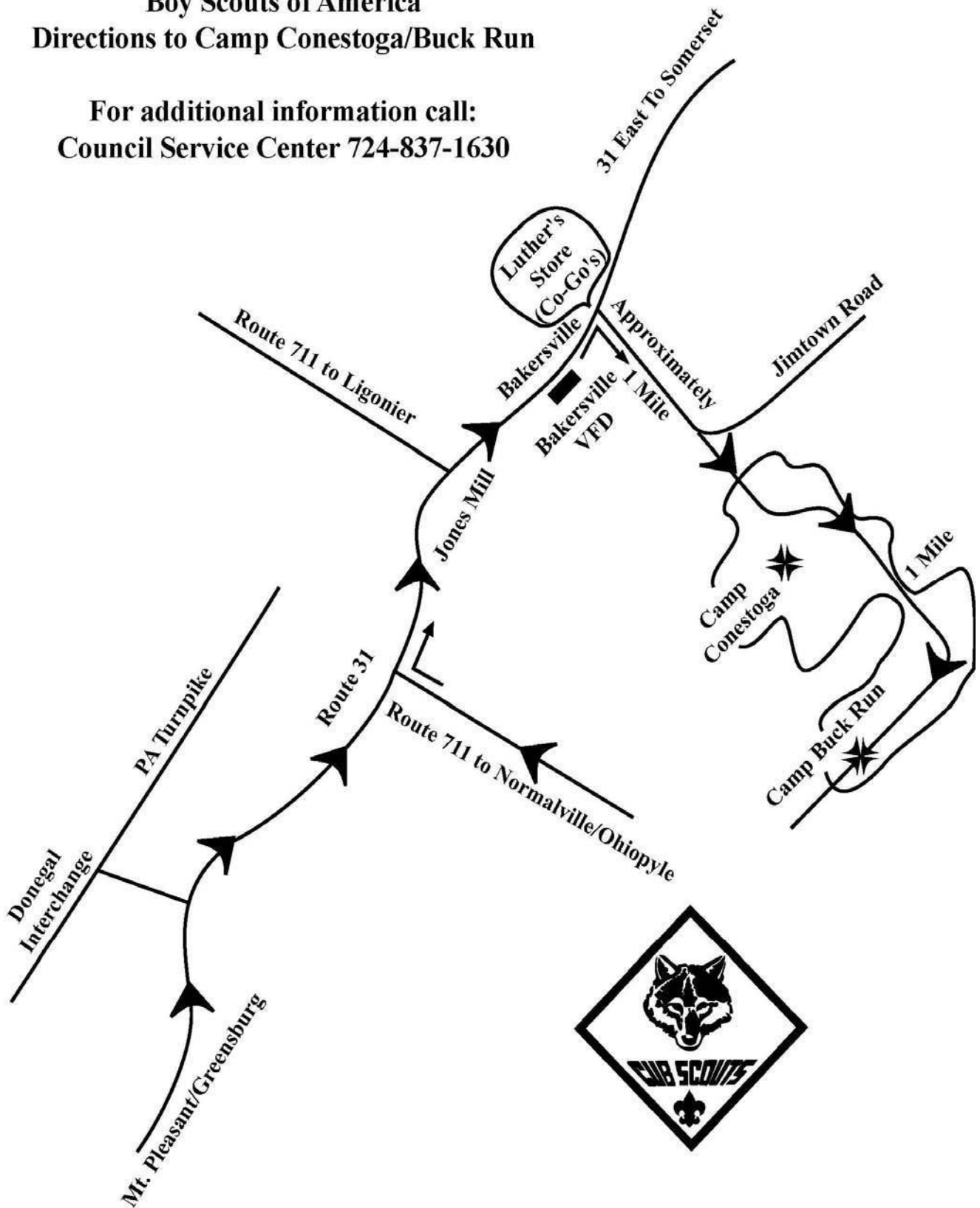
Directly across from the station is the sign for Camp Conestoga.

Turn left at the sign and follow the road approximately one mile into Camp Conestoga.
Continue on camp road for about one more mile you will come to Camp Buck Run.

255 Conestoga Camp Road
Somerset, PA 15501

Westmoreland Fayette Council
Boy Scouts of America
Directions to Camp Conestoga/Buck Run

For additional information call:
Council Service Center 724-837-1630



Boy Scouts of America Scouter Code of Conduct

On my honor I promise to do my best to comply with this Boy Scouts of America Scouter Code of Conduct while serving in my capacity as an adult leader:

1. I have or will complete my registration with the Boy Scouts of America, answering all questions truthfully and honestly.
2. I will do my best to live up to the Scout Oath and Scout Law, obey all laws, and hold others in Scouting accountable to those standards. I will exercise sound judgment and demonstrate good leadership and use the Scouting program for its intended purpose consistent with the mission of the Boy Scouts of America.
3. I will make the protection of youth a personal priority. I will complete and remain current with Youth Protection training requirements. I will be familiar with and follow:
 - *BSA Youth Protection policies and guidelines, including mandatory reporting*
 - The Guide to Safe Scouting
 - *SAFE Checklist*
4. When transporting Scouts, I will obey all laws, comply with Youth Protection guidelines, and follow safe driving practices.
5. I will respect and abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America, BSA policies, and BSA-provided training, including but not limited to those relating to:
 - Unauthorized fundraising activities
 - Advocacy on social and political issues, including prohibited use of the BSA uniform and brand
 - Bullying, hazing, harassment, and unlawful discrimination of any kind
6. I will not discuss or engage in any form of sexual conduct while engaged in Scouting activities. I will refer Scouts with questions regarding these topics to talk to their parents or spiritual advisor.
7. I confirm that I have fully disclosed and will disclose in the future any of the following:
 - Any criminal suspicion, charges, or convictions of a crime or offense involving abuse, violence, sexual misconduct, or any misconduct involving minors or juveniles
 - Any investigation or court order involving domestic violence, child abuse, or similar matter
 - Any criminal charges or convictions for offenses involving controlled substances, driving while intoxicated, firearms, or dangerous weapons
8. I will not possess, distribute, transport, consume, or use any of the following items prohibited by law or in violation of any Scouting rules, regulations, and policies:
 - Alcoholic beverages or controlled substances, including marijuana
 - Concealed or unconcealed firearms, fireworks, or explosives
 - Pornography or materials containing words or images inconsistent with Scouting values
9. If I am taking prescription medications with the potential of impairing my functioning or judgment, I will not engage in activities that would put Scouts at risk, including driving or operating equipment.
10. I will take steps to prevent or report any violation of this code of conduct by others in connection with Scouting activities.

Recommended Equipment List

ALL ITEMS MARKED WITH SCOUT'S NAME AND PACK

Flashlights	Batteries
Spending Money	Sleeping Bag or Blankets
Pillow	Uniform (Class A)
T-Shirts (Class B)	Underwear
Sweats to Sleep In	Jacket/Sweater
Sturdy Rain Gear	Swimsuit
Socks (Lots)	BSA Approved Pocket Knife
Sturdy Shoes/Boots (Extra, if possible)	Soap, Shampoo
Beach Towels	Bath Towels
Wash Cloths	Toothbrush, Paste
Dirty Clothes Bag	Fishing Gear (if possible)
Day Pack	Water Bottle
Camera (At your own risk)	Socks (Did I say that already?)
Ties for Tent	

DO NOT BRING:

Electronics	Fireworks	Tobacco
Aerosol Cans	Drugs	Candles
Fixed Blade Knives	Unsealed Food	Firearms
Alcohol	Game Traps of Any Kinds	



Registration, Check-In, & Forms

2024 Backdater

The following is a list of important dates and happenings, broken down monthly. The dates listed below affect both you and your unit, so pencil them into your calendar now.

NOTE: *Deposit deadlines are mandatory for ALL units attending camp. All units must also submit a completed roster with each payment. Any questions concerning camp should be directed to the Council Service Center at 724-837-1630.*

March 15th 2024

\$50.00 Deposit due from all Scouts. This deposit should be sent to the Council Service Center.

NOTE: *All units must include the required paperwork listed on the following pages with their deposits. All persons listed on your roster must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America.*

April 8th 2024

All Campership applications must be submitted for consideration for the 2024 season.

NOTE: *Incomplete applications or applications missing documentation will not be considered for review.*

May 10th 2024

***** Final Camp Fees Due to Council Service Center *****

NOTE: *All units must include all required paperwork with their final payments. All persons listed on your rosters must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America.*



Follow your “Pack Planning Checklist,” that way you will be on top of the paperwork you and the camp need.

This is important!

Buck Run Unit Registration Procedures

Rollover/Session Reservation (Due prior to paying any deposits or final fees)

Forms Required:

- Reservation Form

Procedure:

- ☐ To reserve their space in a session at Buck Run, each pack must submit a Reservation form identifying which week they would like to reserve.
- ☐ Units who attended the previous year will have the opportunity to reserve their space while at camp. This enables the unit to rollover their reservation fee of \$25.00 from the previous year.
- ☐ Any unit that is submitting the form outside of the camp season will be considered a new unit and must resubmit the \$25.00 reservation fee.
- ☐ If a unit would like to change weeks for the following year, the form must be submitted noting the change. However, the form will not be processed until that week has ended and the packs staying that week have been given the opportunity to submit their forms. If for some reason your form cannot be processed, the pack leader will be contacted.

Deposits

Forms Required:

- Cub Camping Deposit Form
- Session Rosters #1

Procedure:

- ☐ A \$50.00 deposit is required for each participant by the above-listed date. This deposit is **non-refundable** however it can be transferred to another Scout who is not currently registered.
- ☐ This is required for both youth and adult attendees.
- ☐ The Cub Camping Sign Up Form and the Session Rosters must be submitted with the deposits. A finalized roster will be submitted later.

Final Fees

Forms Required:

- Finalized Session Rosters #2
- Discount Worksheet

Procedure:

- ☐ Camp fee balances are due to the council office no later than above listed date. Any fees submitted after the due date will be subject to additional fees.
- ☐ Revised and finalized rosters will be required when submitting final payments.
- ☐ Any discounted fees must be documented on the Discount Worksheet for the proper rates to be applied.
- ☐ If there are any changes to the unit balances and they are not settled prior to the unit's arrival at camp, the camping coordinator should be prepared to settle the balance or provide the information for the refund at the time of check in.

Other Form Considerations

- Pre-Camp Swim Check Form (Due to the Camp Director **at least 1 week** prior to arrival)
- Request for Dietary Accommodations Form (Due to the Camp Director **at least 1 week** prior to arrival)

Check-In at Camp

Forms Required:

- A typed roster #3 organized by the length of time participants are staying. *Please note that this should be separate from your session rosters submitted for registration.*
- Medical Forms for the appropriate sessions (This applies to youth and adults)
 - Weekend Camp- Parts A & B
 - 4- & 5-Day Camp- Parts A, B, & C (Requires a Signature by a Licensed Physician)
- Act 34 Clearances and YPT for adults not registered in the BSA
- Medication Forms for any medicine being submitted to the office for distribution

Procedure:

- ☐ Check-in is 2:30 PM – 5:15 PM. Plan to arrive as a pack at the Camp Conestoga parking lot at your designated check-in time which will be assigned following the submission of final camp fees.
- ☐ Units need to arrive as a group during their scheduled time frame.
- ☐ Camping Coordinator should have all forms collected and organized prior to their check-in time.
- ☐ During the check-in process, the Camping Coordinator should be prepared to settle any outstanding balances for the unit.
- ☐ Units who have not taken their swim tests prior to their arrival should come prepared to take them.
- ☐ The Camping Coordinator will review all the submitted paperwork with the camp administration and receive any materials/information that is needed for their stay at camp. While this is being reviewed the unit will meet at the pool to receive their swim tests.

Camp Check-In

Check-in is 2:30 PM – 5:15 PM. Plan to arrive as a pack at the Camp Conestoga parking lot at your designated check-in time which will be assigned following the submission of final camp fees in May.

Parking:

When arriving at camp, please park in the Conestoga parking lot near Rohrabacher Lodge. Leave your gear in your car and check in at the Handicraft Pavilion located behind Rohrabacher Lodge. After you have checked in and done your swim test, you will drive to Camp Buck Run. Once there, you will receive a parking pass for the length of time you are staying **which will determine where you are to be parked. As always it is 1 vehicle per unit to be on the ridge.** (You may go as a pack and do a Pre-Swim Test before camp. See the “Pre-Camp Swim Check Form”)

Medical Review:

Organize your medical forms (Including Scouts and adult leaders) in alphabetical order for medical reviews. **Every person staying in camp MUST have a medical form. NO EXCEPTIONS!** Following the medical review, you will proceed to the swimming area for swim tests.

Swim Checks:

Adults and Scouts who choose not to take the swim test will be classified as a non-swimmer. There are three levels of swimmers:

White – “Non-Swimmer” Red & White - Beginner Red, White & Blue – Swimmer

Scouts and adults should arrive at camp with a swimsuit under their clothes ready to take their swim test. The test for a “Red, White, and Blue Swimmer” consists of jumping feet first into the water, swimming 75 yards using one or more of the following strokes: crawl, sidestroke, or breaststroke, then swimming 25 yards using a resting elementary backstroke. These 100 yards must be swum continuously. After swimming 100 yards, you must float on your back for one minute.

Please note: An adult must be a Red, White and Blue Swimmer to take a Beginner in a rowboat. According to National BSA policy anyone using a canoe must be a Red, White and Blue Swimmer

Every person in camp will be issued a buddy tag which must be used while in the swimming and boating areas.

Drive to Camp Buck Run:

All vehicles should be parked in the Camp Buck Run parking area and equipment should be carried to your campsite. **PACK WISELY.** Vehicles carrying large items such as coolers and firewood may be driven closer to the campsite only with permission from the staff. Only vehicles with high ground clearance, such as trucks or SUV’s, are suggested for this task. One vehicle per unit.

Forms needed at check in:

- 1) Medical forms for Scouts and adults (properly filled out)
- 2) Medication form attached to medication for Cub Scouts
- 3) Family Night Dinner reservation form with payment
- 4) Verification of Camper leaving Camp Buck Run
- 5) Copy of your roster
- 6) Copies of Clearances & YPT Certificates for non-registered adult leaders

You will receive the following items at check in:

- 1) Buddy tags for Scouts and adults/parent
- 2) Wrist bands for Scouts and adult/parent
- 3) Cabin/tent assignments
- 4) Schedules/maps/Dining Hall assignments
- 5) 2024 Rollover Form (Please submit by the end of your week in camp to reserve your spot in 2024.)

Important Information

- ❖ Packs had the opportunity to reserve their space for 2024 during their time at Camp Buck Run during the summer of 2023.
- ❖ If a space was not reserved, then the pack needs to complete the “2024 Campsite Reservation Form” and pay the \$25.00 site reservation fee.

Pack Cub Camping Coordinator

Each pack should appoint a member of the Pack Committee to be the Pack Cub Camping Coordinator to promote the Cub Resident Camp program at Camp Buck Run. That person is also responsible for attending the Camp Rally, promoting Cub Resident Camp at pack meetings and activities and for handling the pack’s registration for Camp Buck Run.

How to Sign Up for Cub Camp

- ❖ Each family in the pack should let the Pack Camping Coordinator know which camp they are interested in and submit a deposit for those camps. The deposit fee is \$50.00 per Scout and is due by **March 15th, 2024**. Deposits are non-refundable.
- ❖ The remaining balance of the camp fee is due by **May 10th, 2024**. There will be a \$15.00 late fee if paid after this date.

Registration Forms

1. First fill out the “2024 Cub-Camping Sign Up” form.
2. Then fill out the “Camper Discount Worksheet” (if applicable).
3. Then fill out the individual registration rosters for each individual camp.
4. Collect t-shirt Pre-Orders
5. To successfully register your pack for camp, these forms must be completed and turned into the Council Service Center TOGETHER!

**Forms Included in this Section in Order of
Appearance:**

1. Camp Backdating Checklist
2. Cub-Camping Deposit Form
3. Camper Discount Worksheet
4. Registration Rosters for Camp Session
5. Pre-Camp Swim Check Form
6. Camper Departure Form
7. 2024 Buck Run Site Reservation Form
8. Medication Record

Pack Planning Checklist

Check off each item as it is completed, confirm 3 weeks before camp, and confirm again the Thursday before your week of camp.

Completed?	3 Weeks Before	Thursday Before	
			Confirm all attending Scouts and adults
			Copy <i>Parent/Son Camp Information Checklist</i> and <i>Directions to Camp Buck Run</i> . Give these, along with the updated BSA Medical Form to ALL Scouts and adults attending camp.
			Compile a roster of ALL Scouts and Adults attending camp. Any last-minute additions? Do you have TWO copies?
			Record names, addresses, and phone numbers of ALL parents. Where can they be reached in the event of an emergency?
			<u>Ensure all non-registered adults have completed the Act 34 Clearances (State Police, Child Abuse, and FBI/Affidavit) and Youth Protection Training.</u>
			BSA Medical forms are completed for each Scout and adult. (Parts A and B for Weekend campers; Parts A, B, and C for any campers staying past Sunday campfire.)
			Transportation arrangements made TO and FROM camp. Gather in one place and caravan to camp. You may NOT register unless all participants are present for check-in.
			Each Scout is properly equipped and has equipment review just before camp. (Over-equipped Scouts will have almost as much trouble as under-equipped Scouts.)
			All parents are aware of all plans.
			All cabin assignments made. (Five Scouts per cabin)
			Arrangements for dinner before arrival are made (dinner will not be served on Friday night at camp But there will be pizza.).
			Adults and Scouts prepared for swim test upon arrival.

Cub-Camping Deposit Form

Pack #: _____

<p>Payment Information</p> <p>Ratio of adults to youth: 1 - 15 Youth = 1 Adult Free Per Pack 16 - 25 Youth = 2 Adults Free Per Pack 26+ Youth = 3 Adults Free Per Pack</p> <p><i>Note: The free leader ratio only applies to adult leaders who are registered with the BSA.</i></p> <p>Extra adults pay the Adult Fee specified for each camp</p> <p>Family Discounts for Cub Scouts attending Camp Buck Run:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The fee for a second Cub Scout or more attending Wolf, Bear, or Webelos Camp is 10% less. 2. The 10% discount applies to Cub Scout if there is an older sibling who is attending Boy Scout Camp. 3. These discounts will only be applied if the <i>Camper Discount Worksheet</i> is filled out and turned in. 	<p>Use this side if PAYING DEPOSITS for any camp for any scout.</p> <p>Weekend Camp # Youth Deposits: _____ @ \$50 = _____ # Adult Deposits: _____ @ \$50 = _____</p> <p>Wolf/Bear Camp # Youth Deposits: _____ @ \$50 = _____ # Adult Deposits: _____ @ \$50 = _____</p> <p>Webelos Camp # Youth Deposits: _____ @ \$50 = _____ # Adult Deposits: _____ @ \$50 = _____</p> <p>Total Number Deposits Paid = _____ Grand Total = \$ _____</p>
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Cub Camping Coordinator:

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Please include the best phone number to reach you. This will be the number used to contact you with your registration information.

To successfully register for camp, you must include this form as well as the discount form (if applicable), and the registration rosters for each session of camp.

Camper Discount Worksheet

Pack #: _____

Camp Session: _____

Name of Discounted Scout	Name of Sibling Attending Camp	Is Sibling a Scouts BSA or Cub Scout? Please Indicate Troop/Pack Number	Staying Weekend, 4-Day, or 5-Day Camp?	Amount of Discount Applied (This is the bolded number below the chart)

Discounts:

- **Weekend Camp-** \$155 (Original Cost) - **\$15** (Discount)= \$140
- **4-Day Camp-** \$225 (Original Cost) - **\$22** (Discount)= \$203
- **5-Day Camp-** \$270 (Original Cost) - **\$26.50** (Discount)= \$243.50

Pack Camping Coordinator Verification: _____

Registration for Weekend Resident Camp



Pack Number: _____

Camp Session: _____

Leader's Name, Phone Number, and Email	M/F	Deposit	Paid in Full
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			

Camper Name	M/F	Rank as of 6/1/24	Deposit	Paid in Full
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Registration for 4 Day Resident Camp

Pack Number: _____



Camp Session: _____

Leader's Name, Phone Number, and Email	M/F	Deposit	Paid in Full
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			

Camper Name	M/F	Rank as of 6/1/24	Deposit	Paid in Full
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Registration for 5 Day Resident Camp



Pack Number: _____

Camp Session: _____

Leader's Name, Phone Number, and Email	M/F	Deposit	Paid in Full
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			
Leader Name: Phone Number: Email:			

Camper Name	M/F	Rank as of 6/1/24	Deposit	Paid in Full
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Pre-Camp Swim Check

This form is to be completed by the Cubmaster and the Lifeguard or Area Aquatic Supervisor from the place in which the tests were administered. This form will be accepted by the Eberly Scout Reservation Aquatics Staff, in place of taking the Friday night swim test. All Packs submitting this form must still report to the pool on Friday night during check-in to receive their buddy tags. The Eberly Scout Reservation Aquatics Staff reserves the right to re-test any Scout which they deem necessary. All tests must be completed after **January 1, 2024**, to be valid for the **2024 Camp Season**. All swim tests must be administered by the guidelines set forth by the BSA as listed below.

❖ **SWIMMER (RED, WHITE & BLUE)**

Jump into the water over your head. Level off and the swim 100 yards, $\frac{1}{4}$ using the elementary backstroke. Stay in the water and float on your back in a resting position with as little motion as possible for one minute.

❖ **BEGINNER (RED & WHITE)**

Some swimming ability, able to jump into the water over their head and swim 30 feet with a turn midway.

❖ **LEARNER (WHITE)**

Cannot meet the above requirements

Pack _____

First Name	Last Name	Youth/ Adult	Swim Classification W, RW, RWB
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Cubmaster _____

Lifeguard or Area Aquatics Supervisor _____

Location of test _____

Date of test _____

Request for Dietary

Camper Departure Form

According to Eberly Scout Reservation procedures, if a person other than a parent or guardian arrives to pick up a camper, verification of identification of this individual is required. The individual will sign the camper out and the below form will have to be completed. Camp administration reserves the right to call and confirm verification of this individual from the camper's parent or guardian. The below form will be kept on record in the Buck Run office.

Regardless, campers must be signed out on the sign-out sheet on the announcements board on the dining hall back porch.

Date: _____

Week of Camp: _____ Pack #: _____ District: _____

Camper Name: _____

Person Picking Up Camper: _____

Driver's License #: _____

Destination: _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

Estimated Time of Arrival: _____

Estimated Time of Return: _____

Camp Director Signature: _____

Placed on File by: _____ on _____



Camp Buck Run Reservation Form 2025



Estimated Attendance (Youth and Adults): _____

Pack #: _____

DATES

PAYMENT METHOD

- ___ First Session: WEEKEND ONLY: June 20th-22nd
- ___ Second Session: June 27th – July 2nd
- ___ Third Session: July 11th -16th
- ___ Fourth Session: July 18th-23rd
- ___ Sixth Session: August 1st- 6th

- ___ We will pay the \$25.00 Reservation Fee.
- ___ Transfer the fee from our unit account.
- ___ Rollover the fee from 2024

Packs are encouraged to lock in sessions that they would like to have spaces reserved. Packs that attended sessions in 2024 will have first chance to lock in those sessions for 2025. The reservation fee of \$25.00 will be required for each session the pack would like to reserve.

The camper fee has not been set yet. Each unit is required to bring two registered adult leaders to camp.

PLEASE FILL OUT COMPLETELY- PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

Signed _____ Pack _____

Position _____ Date _____

Please Complete the Information Below:

NAME	PHONE	EMAIL	PACK #
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
COUNCIL	DISTRICT	COUNCIL HQ STATE	COUNCIL #

PLEASE RETURN TO THE WESTMORELAND-FAYETTE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER

Buck Run Medication Record

Please complete this form and present it at check- in with any medication your child needs to take while at camp. PLEASE PRINT.

Name of Scout: _____ **Pack Number:** _____

Date attending camp: _____

Leader in Charge attending camp: _____

Medications to be taken at camp:

Type	How Often	Times	Procedure

Emergency Phone Number of Parent or Guardian: _____

Doctor's Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Other Relevant Information?

