



# Camp Buck Run 2025 Leader's Guide



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**SAVE THE DATE!**



## **2025 Camp Kickoff**

**Southmoreland Elementary School**

(100 Scottie Way, Scottdale, PA 15683)

**Date: Monday January 27, 2025**

**Time: 7:00pm**

## **2025 Spring Nature Walk**

**Date: Saturday, May 3, 2025**

**Starting Time: 9:00 am**

**Location: Camp Conestoga & Camp Buck Run**

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

*A tour of Camp Buck Run will be held immediately following this event!*

## **Camp Workday**

**Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025**

**Come help get camp ready for summer.**

**Starts at 9:00 am**

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# 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 does not. 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!

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### 2025 SESSION DATES

Session 1 WEEKEND-ONLY	June 20 – June 22, 2025
Session 2	June 27 – July 2, 2025
Session 3	July 11 – 16, 2025
Session 4	July 18– 23, 2025
Session 5	July 25- 30, 2025
Session 6	August 1-6, 2025

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# Camp Buck Run Fee Structure 2025

Reservation Fee- ALL SCOUTS/ADULT LEADERS

**\$50.00 PER SCOUT**– Must be received by **MARCH 14, 2025**

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 9, 2025**.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Den chief attending camp would pay the adult rates for the appropriate camp.

## **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 transferable 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 served basis.
- d. All campership applications must be received no later than April 7, 2025.

## 2. APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- a. Applications shall be available on the council website at [www.wfbsa.org](http://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.



# Programming & Adventure Guide

# Camp Buck Run Daily Schedule

*(Please note that the daily schedule is subject to change & times listed are generalized  
Use supplemental schedules for check-in, Family Nights, and check-out)*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
7:00am	Reveille (Rise and Shine)	Campsites
7:50am	Colors	Buck Run Parade Field
Following Colors	Breakfast	Jackson Dining Hall
9:30am – 12:00pm	Morning Program Rotations	Program Areas
12:30pm	Lunch	Dining Hall
1:30pm-5:00pm	Afternoon Program Rotations	Program Areas
5:50pm	Colors	Buck Run Parade Field
6:00pm	Dinner	Jackson Dining Hall
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Evening Programming	Program Areas
10:00pm	Lights Out	Campsites

## **Program Specific Scheduled Information**

- The times for the Aquatics program will be changing in 2025.
  - Saturday will be the same as in years past, with Aquatics in the morning and lunch immediately following in the Conestoga Dining Hall.
  - There will be an alternative program schedule on Sunday which will consist of evening aquatics activities. Weekend campers are welcome to join after their closing campfire.
  - For anyone staying from Monday to Wednesday, Aquatics will be held during the afternoon program rotation.
- Units will cook dinner at their campsites on Monday evening (Foil packed meals will be provided). Please see “Campfires and Cooking” for more details.
- Closing campfires will be held on Sunday (for Weekend Campers) and Tuesday (4-Day & 5-Day Campers). Family and friends are welcome to join us for the closing campfire (and evening meal).

# **Camp Buck Run Daily Program**

Camp Buck Run is a terrific place to participate in fun activities, learn new skills, and challenges, all while earning rank advancements! This guide is designed to help Scouts understand all the ins and outs of the Camp Buck Run daily program.

## **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 an issue arises, the camp director serves as the final authority on all 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. The current edition of the Cub Scout requirements will serve to interpret uncertainty, along with the camp key three and Scout executive.

## **Counselors In Training**

C.I.T.s are an important part of the developing future of staff members. If a Scout turns fourteen during any part of the campaign season, they may be eligible to participate in the C.I.T. Program. After successfully serving 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. We appreciate your patience and kindness as these scouts learn the necessary skills to become camp staff members.

## **Activity Rotations**

Every day the schedule will have specific activities the scouts will rotate through. The rotations will take the scouts on adventures in Aquatics, BB and Archery Skills, Scoutcraft and camp craft, athletics, nature, and conservation projects. They will be focused on fun activities based on our theme while offering to fulfill requirements for rank.

## 2025 Rotations

### Aquatics

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. These are perfect opportunities to work on aquatic adventures. Our staff has been trained on the new program and will be ready to help your scout. Some adventure requirements will be worked on as a group lesson while other requirements will be for the Scout to complete on their own. There will be opportunities to complete most of the aquatic adventures, weather and swim level permitting.

**Swimming** - You will be put in areas according to the skill level determined by your swim test (Please refer to “Swim Test” section for further details). This is a good time to test your skills and improve 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 people aged 16 and over to fish or angle for any species of fish. The license must be on your person and provided upon the request of an officer.

### BB and Archery Ranges

The ranges at Camp Buck Run are for the Cub Scouts only. Adults are not permitted to shoot camp equipment. Lion scouts and younger people are not permitted to use the BB range. Trained range officers and staff will assist the Scouts with their shooting. All range rules must be followed to ensure a safe experience. All commands issued by the range master must be obeyed immediately. We will do our best to ensure every Scout has the chance to earn their range adventures at camp.

**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.

### Night & Nature Hikes

This year we will go on a night hike on Sunday evening. For units who love to hike and want more, ask a staff member about the local hiking trails nearby. We have some special themed hikes planned for you. They are self-guided and will help your pack earn some requirements for adventures and camp spirit points.

## **Athletics: Field and Team sports**

Beyond the beloved Gaga ball pit Camp has a variety of sports and games planned to help us learn about teamwork and good sportsmanship.

## **Conservation Project**

This year we will have a conservation project that follows our theme of Lost Under the Lake. Participation helps complete a requirement for the champions of nature adventure.

## **Camcraft**

Camcraft activities will focus on both adventure requirements and outdoor skills.

*Webelos and AOL* have a new program that will foster a love of the outdoors. It will focus on camping skills and activities. It will give those two ranks a cub Scout sized bite of troop life. These scouts are older and ready for bigger challenges and responsibilities. They will tackle fire building, campfire cooking and knife skills.

*Bears* will get to work on the whittling adventure. For most of them this is their first time using a pocketknife. Our staff is trained to teach them how to use, sharpen, and store a pocketknife safely. They will work on the basics and build their way up to carving.

Please go over the pocketknife guidelines in their books with your scouts before they head to camp. We have a limited supply of lender knives. It is a good idea to bring your own. We also sell a variety of knives at our trading post. **Please do not let your Bear Scout carry their knife at camp until they have completed the adventure.** A sharpening stone would be useful to have as well.

*Tigers and Wolves* are all about fun. That's why we have games galore to help them learn. This is the first time camping for a lot of these Scouts. We will learn what we should do if we need help while camping, how to stay safe on an adventure and what we would want to take with us into the woods.

*A Scout should always have their six essentials. Have your Scout bring a day bag with them to help us complete this adventure requirement.*

## **Other Program Features**

### **Opening Campfire Friday Night**

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. Following the campfire units can retire to their campsites to enjoy some fellowship as a pack.

### **Chapel Service-Sunday**

Our Camp Chaplain will conduct a non-denominational vesper service on Sunday. Check your schedule for details.

### **Closing Campfires Sunday and Tuesday**

You and your Scouts can 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. Families are invited to attend this celebration. The Buck Run Trading Post will be open following the campfire, which is a wonderful time to pick up those last-minute souvenirs. Do not forget to fill out an RSVP for dinner guests.

### **Individual Program Opportunity: NEW FOR 2025**

Sometimes, especially for new campers, camp life is a lot, a lot of noise, new people, walking, and stimulation. Sometimes you just need to step away for a moment but who wants to miss the fun? This year we will have some activities parents and Scouts can grab and go somewhere quiet to do. There will be games or activities that are part of one of the rank adventures so you can still enjoy camp fun without being in the middle of it. If you need a break from the crowd or a distraction from a meltdown, ask a staff member where you can find these quiet kits.

### **Spirit Award**

This year the spirit award will have more opportunities including the following:

- Camp improvements will be offered with a variety of points based on the time and skill level involved.
- Points will be given for campers who participate in pre camp activities such as preparing for the conservation project and planning a unit swim test event.
- There will be fun challenges to be completed during free time at camp and of course points given for participation in our closing campfire.

While there is a competitive side to the spirit award it is also an effort to bring out a sense of camp pride.

### **Awards Being Offered in 2025**

Polar Bear Swim

Biggest Fish

Archery and BB Special Awards

## **Important Information for Leaders**

### **Friday**

**Early check-in**-we are offering early check-in this year. Any unit who would like to take advantage must have a camp coordinator that can arrive at the early check-in time with all necessary unit paperwork. If your unit is interested contact us for available times.

*Please note there will not be an evening meal served on Friday so units must make their own arrangements for dinner.*

Buck run WILL be providing a snack on Friday night before campfire in the dining hall.

We will hold a leader's meeting on Friday at 6:30PM. Your unit will need to have a representative available to attend.

A muster drill will follow the leaders' meeting and take us right into our opening campfire.

The goal Friday night is to have campers heading back to their sites early so they can finish setting up camp and enjoy some time with their pack.

### **Sunday Night**

We will have an evening fishing program Sunday night followed by stargazing (weather permitting) and a night hike back to camp.

Weekend campers are welcome to stop after their closing campfire and join the fishing fun before heading home.

### **Campfires and Cooking**

All packs can have nightly campfires in their sight if 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 the camps ecosystem which is part of the Laurel Hill State Park. State Park officials also advised 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 us keep it that way. We must also remember that we are not permitted to cut down any trees on camp property.

On Monday night units will be cooking their own dinner at their campsites. Buck run dining hall will be providing foil pack meals. This includes foil, food, drinks, and dessert. *This does not include any of the cooking utensils or fire making supplies.* A complete list of the foil pack meal will be provided closer to the camping season. The option of preparing your foil packs in the dining hall and then taking them to the campsite will be available again this year.

# Facilities and Amenities

## Tents and Sleeping Arrangements

### Cabins

One of the unique amenities of Camp Buck Run is the cabins the Cub Scouts sleep in. **It is assumed that all Cub Scouts will be sleeping in the cabins unless otherwise stated on your reservation form.** Cabins hold five beds with foam mattresses. Two sets of bunk beds and a spring cot in the center. Some units may need to share cabins depending on the number of campers each week. Remember to be respectful of the camper's privacy when checking on cabins.

### Tents

Adults will be assigned to sleep in tents. Each tent has two cots with foam mattresses. Adults may share a tent with another adult of the same gender or a spouse.

A Scout is only permitted to share a tent with an adult who is a parent or legal guardian. (This rule also applies to den chiefs that attend camp.)

*If your unit is bringing a den chief to camp let us know so we can discuss YPT compliance*

Adults are permitted to bring their own tent but must let the camp know of their intentions at least two weeks ahead of their session.

**If you believe your Scout may end up in your tent at sometime during the night, consider bringing your own tent so you do not have to worry about any YTP violations concerning your tent mates.**

All attempts will be made to provide units with tent and cabin assignments two weeks prior to their session.

## Jackson Dining Hall

The dining hall is an essential part of the culture at Cub Scout camp. It is when we have our Announcements, Announcements, Announcements, sing songs, and interact with staff and fellow campers. Some important things to note include:

- The trading post will not be open during any meals.
- Units will be assigned tables for meals. Based on the number of campers and size of units some packs may be paired together at a table.
- A prayer will be offered before all meals.

### Meals

All meals will be served in one of the reservations dining halls except for Monday night. Menus will be posted prior to the start of camp.

If you need accommodation an online form will need to be turned in at least two weeks prior to camp. For Campers who intend to bring ALL their own meals, a discounted price is offered to



campers who bring all their own food to camp for dietary needs. While space in our fridge and freezer is limited, we will supply ice for coolers. These arrangements need to be established at the time of final payment.

There will be an allergy free zone set up in the dining hall. This will include a table and microwave dedicated to allergy-free foods. Please respect the need to keep this area safe and clean. A microwave is located within the dining hall/kitchen area for other heating and cooking needs.

An alternative of peanut butter and Jelly is available by request for all meals.

### **Mail Service**

You can mail your camper a letter and they will receive it during mealtimes while they are at camp. To mail your Scout a letter has it addressed as follows:

Cub Scout Name  
Pack Number  
Camp Buck Run  
255 Conestoga Camp Road  
Somerset PA 15501

Make sure to mail your letter in plenty of time. It is OK if it arrives early. We will hold it until your camper arrives.

### **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.

### **Lost and Found**

There will be a lost and found located in the dining hall. All items found should be placed there or turned into a staff member. Leaders are encouraged to have all scouts label their belongings with their name and pack number for 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 at which point they will be considered abandoned.

### **Showers and Restroom Facilities**

Shower and restroom facilities are in our activity field. There are separate areas for males and females. Please keep in mind Youth Protection policies and respect for privacy when using these facilities.

- Absolutely no phones or recording devices should be used inside of the restrooms or showers.
- Adults and youth of a different sex should not be in each other's spaces.

- Coordinate your adult leadership to accommodate these needs as well as two deep leadership when a company uses to and from facilities.
- Adults and youth should have separate shower schedules.

Both campsites also have male and female restrooms as well as porta johns. They also have sinks in the communal area under the pavilion.

### **Trading Post**

The trading post sells a wide range of supplies including camp T-shirts, patches, handicraft supplies, souvenirs, snack food, etc. The official schedule will be posted outside of the Trading Post.

If you have a request for the trading post, please let us know!

# Registration, Check-In, & Forms

## 2025 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 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

\$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 people listed on your roster must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America.

### April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

All Campership applications must be submitted for consideration for the 2025 season.

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

### April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Online Apparel orders go live and will be open for ONE month. Unit orders are strongly encouraged.

### May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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

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

# 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 sessions 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:

- Camp Buck Run Youth Roster Form (*Scout rank should be as of 6/1/25, Not current rank*)
- Camp Buck Run Adult/Den Chief Roster Form

### Procedures

- 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.**
- Both Camp Buck Run Roster Forms must be submitted with the deposits. A finalized roster will be submitted later.

## Online Apparel Order

- Collect your unit's online apparel order by the date listed above.
- Orders will be picked up at camp check in

## Final Fees

### Forms Required:

- Finalized Camp Buck Run Youth Roster Form (*Scout rank should be as of 6/1/25, Not current rank*)
- Finalized Camp Buck Run Adult/Den Chief Roster Form
- Discount Worksheet

### Procedure:

- Camp fee balances are due to the council office no later than the 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 at **least 2 weeks** prior to arrival)
- Request for Dietary Accommodations Form (Due to the Camp at **least 2 weeks** prior to arrival)
- **Clearance and YPT for any non-registered adult (staying less than 72 hours) (Due to Camp at least 2 weeks prior to arrival)**

### **Check-In at Camp**

#### *Forms Required:*

- A copy of the Camp Buck Run Youth and Adult/Den Chief Roster Forms noting any changes since final fee was due. (i.e., last-minute cancellations)
- 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)
- Medication Forms for any medicine being submitted to the office for distribution.
- Family Night Dinner reservation form with payment
- Any missing paperwork or payments.
- \*Swim test forms should be turned in 2 weeks prior to camp\*
- \*Copies of Clearances & YPT Certificates for non-registered adult leaders should be returned 2 weeks prior to camp. *Unregistered adults without these papers will not be permitted to spend the night at camp.* \*

#### *Procedure:*

- Check-in Starts at 4:00pm. Plan to arrive as a pack at the Camp Buck parking lot at your designated check-in time which will be assigned following the submission of final camp fees.
- Identify your unit's designated vehicle for ridge parking so they can be parked where they can load gear.
- Units need to arrive as a group during their scheduled time frame.
- The 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 need to plan to take it at Conestoga before they check-in.
- The Camping Coordinator will review all the submitted paperwork with the camp administration.
- Designate a representee from your unit to attend the Leader's meeting at 6:30pm.

## Camp Check-In

Units will go straight to Camp Buck Run for check-in.

**Parking:** When you arrive at Buck Run a lot attendant will ask how long you are camping and guide you to the appropriate parking spot. Your parking spot will be determined by the length of your stay. You will receive a parking pass to put in your car window.

Once you are at camp there will be no more driving. Units walk everywhere. If you need special accommodation, please let us know two weeks prior to camp.

There will be one vehicle permitted on the Ridge per unit. Please plan for the best vehicle for this in your unit. Only vehicles with high ground clearances, such as trucks or SUV's, are suggested for this task. Your vehicle will need to be registered, and you will receive a pass. There will be no driving after 9:00 PM. There will be no driving onto the ridge campground area. All gear will need to be carried to sites from the parking area.

Pack wisely for camp. Your gear will either need to be walked to your site or loaded into your designated vehicle. If the camp truck is available, we will have designated drop-off locations for each Ridge. Special accommodation needed for large coolers or gear needs to be made prior to arriving at camp.

## Medical Review

Have your medical forms ready for medical reviews. **Every person staying in the camp MUST have a medical form. NO EXCEPTIONS! Do not put medical forms in plastic sleeves as they will need to be accessible for check-in. All forms will be stored in the camp office during your stay and returned to a leader on your unit's last day at camp.**

## Swim Checks

*Units (or individuals) who have not taken their swim test prior to camp will need to do so on their own. They can stop on their drive to Buck Run, or they can walk to Conestoga after they arrive and check in.*

*Campers should park in the lot by Rohrabacher Lodge (not at the waterfront) and walk down to the pool. Wear your swimsuit under your clothing.*

*There is also an option to test Saturday morning, but this is a very busy time, and Scouts may have to wait before they can participate in swimming or boating activities.*

*Please plan your swimming test so that you can report your scheduled check-in time at Buck Run. Available swimming test hours will be announced prior to camp.*

Adults and Scouts who choose not to take the swim test will be classified as non-swimmers.

There are three levels of swimmers:

**White – Non-Swimmer**

**Red & White - Beginner**

**Red, White & Blue – Swimmer**

The test for a “Red, White, and Blue Swimmer” consists of jumping feet first into the water, swimming seventy-five yards using one or more of the following strokes: crawl, sidestroke, or breaststroke, then swimming twenty-five yards using a resting elementary backstroke.

These one hundred yards must be swum continuously. After swimming one hundred 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 the camp will be issued a buddy tag which must be used while in the swimming and boating areas.

### **Scheduled Check In for Units**

- Check-in is 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM. Plan to arrive as a pack at CAMP BUCK RUN at your designated check-in time *which will be assigned following the submission of final camp fees in May.*
- Your unit will drive directly to Camp Buck Run (unless your unit stops for the swim test.)
- Your unit will be scheduled at check in time. Please let us know ASAP if that time needs to be adjusted. Your unit needs to arrive at check-in together.
- Your camping coordinator should have the appropriate medical forms, roster and any other paperwork or payments owed.
- All campers will have a medical check and receive a bracelet at this time. A brief set of instructions will be given.
- Starting at 5 until 6:30 a snack will be served in the dining hall.
- A representative from your unit needs to attend the leaders' meeting at 6:30 PM (apparel preorders will be distributed then)
- Camp will officially begin at 7:00-ish with a muster drill leading into our opening campfire.

### **You will receive the following items at check-in:**

- Wrist bands for Scouts and adult/parent
- Cabin/tent assignments map. (units will receive this prior to camp as well)
- Schedules and maps
- \*Leaders will receive a packet of camp related information and apparel pre-orders at the Leader's meeting.

### **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 overseeing the pack's registration for Camp Buck Run.

A co- camping coordinator is recommended. Not only do many hands make less work but units also have a backup person who is the loop in case the camping coordinator has an emergency or cannot attend camp.



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

1. Camp Buck Run (Deposit or Final Fees)  
Youth Roster Form **NEW for 2025**
2. Camp Buck Run (Deposit or Final Fees)  
Adults/Den Chiefs Roster Form **NEW for 2025**
3. Camper Discount Worksheet
4. Pre-Camp Swim Check Form
5. Camper Departure Form
6. 2026 Buck Run Site Reservation Form
7. Medication Record

## Camp Buck Run (Deposits / Final Fees) Youth Roster Form

<b>Camp Buck Run</b>		Deposits: <input type="checkbox"/>	Final Fees: <input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Youth Roster Form</u>											
		<small>(PLEASE Mark one!)</small>													
PACK NUMBER: <input type="text"/>		Session Number: <input type="text"/>		Session Dates: <input type="text"/>											
Camp Coordinator Name: <input type="text"/>		PHONE: <input type="text"/>		EMAIL: <input type="text"/>											
<b>Scout's Name:</b>	Gender M / F	LION	TIGER	WOLF	BEAR	WEBBLOS	AOL	Weekend Campers	4 Day Campers	5 Day Campers	Deposit Paid	Paid in Full	Swim Test	Medical Form	Name of Adult Attending with the Scout:
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\* Use several forms as needed! PR1-12-25

## Camp Buck Run (Deposits / Final Fees) Adult Roster Form

<b>Camp Buck Run</b>		Deposits: <input type="checkbox"/>		Final Fees: <input type="checkbox"/>		<u>Adults / Den Chiefs Roster Form</u>												
PACK NUMBER: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		Session Number: <input style="width: 50%;" type="text"/>		Session Number: <input style="width: 50%;" type="text"/>		Session Dates: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>												
Camp Coordinator Name: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		PHONE: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		PHONE: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		EMAIL: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>												
Adult's Name:		Gender M / F	Non-Registered Adults ONLY: Clearances & YPT					PHONE #	EMAIL:									
			Registered Leader	Non-Reg/stered Adults (Under 72hours)	PA State Police	PA Child Abuse	Affidavit or Fingerprint	Youth Protection Training	Weekend Campers	4 Day Campers	5 Day Campers	Deposit Paid	Paid in Full	Swim Test	Medical Form			
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Den Chief's Name:		Gender M / F	Den Chief's Troop #	Parent / Guardian Name:					Weekend Campers	4 Day Campers	5 Day Campers	Deposit Paid	Paid in Full	Swim Test	Medical Form	Parent/ Guardian PHONE #	EMAIL:	
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## 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 bold 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:** \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 one hundred yards, ¼ 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 thirty 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 \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 form below will have to be completed. The camp administration reserves the right to call and confirm verification of this individual from the camper's parent or guardian. The form below 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: \_\_\_\_\_

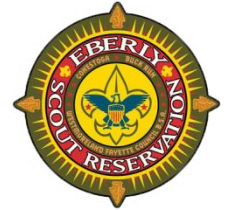
Estimated Time of Return: \_\_\_\_\_

Camp Director Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Placed on File by: \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_



# Camp Buck Run Reservation Form 2026



Estimated Attendance Youth: \_\_\_\_\_ Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ Pack #: \_\_\_\_\_

### DATES

### PAYMENT METHOD

- \_\_\_ First Session: June 26<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>
- \_\_\_ Second Session: July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup>
- \_\_\_ Third Session: July 17<sup>th</sup> – July 22<sup>nd</sup>
- \_\_\_ Fourth Session: July 24<sup>th</sup> – July 29<sup>th</sup>
- \_\_\_ Fifth Session: July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 5<sup>th</sup>

- \_\_\_ We will pay the \$25.00 Reservation Fee.
- \_\_\_ Transfer the fee from our unit account.
- \_\_\_ Rollover the fee from 2025

Packs are encouraged to lock in sessions that they would like to have spaces reserved. Packs that attended sessions in 2025 will have their first chance to lock in those sessions for 2026. 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?**