



Webelos / Arrow of Light  
Summer Camp Guide  
2019

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Hello and welcome to your Cub Scout Overnight Adventure!

A Scout joins a Pack because somewhere he or she saw or heard that Scouting provides the excitement of camping in the great outdoors. Your Scout likely wants to share that excitement with others as part of a pack. Parents like yourself hold the key to fulfilling this understood promise, and you can unlock the door to adventure so that one day that Scout will say, "It was all that I had hoped for and more!"

The Blackhawk Area Council is thrilled to have you join us for your summer overnight adventure. You will embark on an exciting journey towards a greater understanding of Scouting skills and how they are applied in your Scout's everyday life.

We know that you will have fun during your time at camp and look forward to sharing this time with you.

In Scouting,

Dick Reynolds and Lee Binkley  
Co-Camp Directors



# Webelos Resident Camp:

Canyon Camp- July 26-28

Canyon Camp

4856 E. Townsend Road  
Stockton, IL 61085

## Who Should Attend Each Camp Session?

### Webelos Resident Camp:

Webelos Resident Camp welcomes all Webelos/Arrow of Light Scouts. Our resident camp is open to all youth entering 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades in the fall of

### Adult Leaders

Adult supervision is required as a critical element in the Cub resident camp success. At least 1 adult must be 21+, while all others may be 18 years or older. Cub Scout packs must provide for at least a 1 to 4 ratio of adults to your members with the exception of Tiger cubs must register with their adult partner. Each unit is required to follow Youth Protection guidelines. This every adult must be a registered member of the BSA and have successfully completed Youth Protection training to stay overnight in camp. If an adult leader must leave camp, the unit should arrange for another adult leader to take their place. A copy of each adult's YPT certificate is required and should be brought to camp and produced upon arrival.

**Check in/Check out:** Plan on arriving between 6pm – 8pm Friday night. Items you will need to have ready upon arrival:

- BSA Health Form Parts A&B for ALL individuals
- Copy of Pack Roster

### Visitors

Overnight camp is a great place to see scouting in action, but as always safety is our top priority. District and unit Scouters, professionals, and prospective members and volunteers, are welcome to visit. Upon arrival to the camp, visitors will be required to check in at the camp office, pay for any meals they will be staying for, and receive a guest badge. Upon leaving, visitors will be required to sign out to ensure we have accurate knowledge of who is on camp property in the case of an emergency. Visitors not following these rules will be asked to leave.

## Accommodations

We want your stay to be as effortless as possible. For packs or individual families that do not have their own camping gear, we have you covered! Our camp supplies platform, canvas tents with bunks and mattresses. Each campsite will have an outhouse with sinks/running water within close proximity. Should you choose to bring your own tent, we ask that you notify us prior to your arrival so that we can plan accordingly. If you are in need of special accommodations, please direct all communications to the Camp Director.

## Special Dietary Needs or Medical Accommodations

Efforts will be made to accommodate all campers with special needs. Special medical and dietary needs must be listed on the health form. The Camp Director must be made aware of any special accommodations no less than 1 week prior to the start of camp. If the camp is not notified, we cannot guarantee the availability of accommodations.

## About Canyon Camp

Established in 1936, Canyon Camp has a commitment to the Scout Oath and Law by helping young people develop skills to help them in adulthood. We are a complete service camp offering a fun and challenging summer camp program as well as the opportunity for year-round camping experiences.

Our summer camp program offers Cub Scout Programming and Scouts BSA programming with advancement opportunities including more than 50 merit badge choices for your scouts in addition to awesome adventures for Scouts young and old.



## Camp Map

(A high quality version is available at [www.canyoncampbsa.org/visit](http://www.canyoncampbsa.org/visit))



## 2019 Camp Highlights



**Webelos only programming:** Canyon Camp's Webelos only programming allows us to focus on specific advancement and preparation for older Cub Scouts as they prepare for their transition to the Scouts BSA program. This is a weekend you don't want to miss for your Scouts development!

**Professional Staff-** Canyon Camp has a nationally accredited and highly trained summer camp staff with skills and energy that provide a great experience for you and your scouts. Our staff develops and delivers a top-notch program unlike any other camping experience for Cub Scouts.

**Overnight Camping-** The format for our three day; two night overnight camping experience provides an opportunity for Cub Scout summer camp within a weekend model to meet the needs of your family. This experience will help create an affinity for the outdoors, provide an opportunity to meet other Cub Scouts from different packs, and develop your outdoor and camping skills. Staff will be with you to lend a helping hand to make your experience a safe and fun one

**Advancement Opportunities-** Our program schedule allows for youth to participate in fun and challenging sessions while also working on advancement.

## **Program Overview**

### **Day 1:**

Check-in (Trading Post, open swim at pool parent meeting, games with staff); Opening campfire

### **Day 2:**

Flag raising, breakfast, AM Program Sessions, Lunch, PM Program Sessions, Flag Lowering, Dinner, moonlight swim, gaga ball

### **Day 3:**

Flag raising, Breakfast, AM Program Sessions, Closing Ceremony

## **Dining Hall and Food Service**

The dining hall experience at Canyon Camp is fun-filled and FILLING with great food and plenty of it. We take great pride in our food service for both quality and quantity. Our menus are approved by a certified dietician to meet the needs of active Scouts. Individuals requiring special dietary needs should indicate this on their registration. Class A uniforms are expected at dinner. Breakfast and Lunch attire is whatever the scouts and leaders are wearing while in sessions.

## **Trading Post**

Be sure to bring some extra money for our awesome camp trading post! From great treats to swanky t-shirts, and everything in between, we have much to offer at the Canyon Camp Trading Post!

## **Campfires**

The Canyon Camp Staff will provide a memorable, camp-wide campfire for all Scouts in Camp on one evening of your stay. Please do feel free to have your own fire in your fire pits in campsites, but be sure to follow safe practices and be mindful of the other guests in your campsite.

## Flag Ceremonies

Please wear your Class A (Field) Uniform for flag lowering. Any attire is acceptable for our flag raising ceremonies! Flag lowering is at 5:45PM and raising is at 7:45 AM.

## Chapel Service

Services will be provided in camp or in Stockton, IL. Additional program updates will be available prior to camp or the first night of camp.

## Health and Safety

Boy Scouts of America Health forms **PARTS A & B ONLY** are required for each person in camp. You can find the health form at:

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/HealthandSafety/ahmr.aspx>

To ensure a safe and healthy camping experience, all persons attending a camp session are required to have a current, completed Annual Health and Medical Record on file with the camp. **You are not allowed to attend camp without an official, signed BSA health form on file at camp.**

Shortly after arrival at camp, the Health Officer will perform a medical recheck. The forms must be turned in to the health officer at this time. Forms will be returned at check out. Any forms not picked up will be destroyed. It is also important that the Camp Director and Health Officer be aware of any conditions which might require attention or pose problems while at camp. Please ask the parent of each camper if there are medical concerns before camp and make a list of them.

Qualified medical personnel will be at camp each day of each session. This Medical Officer will handle minor scrapes and cuts and distribute medications (unless parent of scout is attending camp). If any serious emergency arises the camper will be taken to the local hospital for treatment.

## Medications

National Camp Standards require the camp to store and administer all medications except for those necessary for immediate relief (i.e., inhalers, and epi pens). If a parent/guardian is attending camp, the parent can sign a waiver form agreeing to keep medications locked and away from other attendees. Medications must be in the original container with clear dosing instructions and in a bag with the scout's name, number of doses, and pack number. The camp Health Officer or parent/guardian will complete records of medication disbursement. These will be turned in at the end of camp and kept at council office for the required specific time.

## Camper Insurance

Each camper and leader is required to provide copies of health insurance. The Council does carry primary excess insurance policy.

## CAMP POLICIES

**Security of Personal Possessions:** The security of personal possessions at camp is the sole responsibility of the individual. Camp is not responsible for the loss of personal possessions.

**Alcohol and Illegal Drugs:** The consumption, possession, and/or being under the influence of alcohol, or illegal drugs, at camp, or while participating in the camp program is prohibited. If violations of this policy occurs, local, state, and federal laws will be enforced and appropriate law enforcement agencies will be notified. There are no exceptions to this policy.

**Tobacco Products:** In accordance with the BSA policy, the use of tobacco products on camp property is prohibited. This includes smoking, chewing, and vaping. If you find it necessary to do any of the proceeding activities, please sign out with the Camp Director and exit the property.

**Damage to Camp Property:** Camp will assess the cost of repair to campers for any equipment damaged during their stay. Fines shall be paid prior to leaving camp. During any camp program, adult leadership should inspect the campsite upon arrival at the campsite and before leaving.

**Vehicles in Camp:** Camp roads are restricted to camp service vehicles and emergency vehicles only. All participant vehicles must be parked in designated camp parking areas only.

**Trailers** Some Packs choose to bring a trailer with all Pack and personal gear packed into it. This is welcome if you prefer this method. **However**, trailers and the tow vehicle will remain in the main parking lot for the entirety of the camp.

**Possession of Personal Firearms:** Personal firearms of any kind (BB guns, rifles, shotguns, and archery equipment) are not allowed at Camp and are strictly prohibited on camp property. In the event that a firearm is brought to camp it must be secured (under lock and key) with the Camp Director until the end of camp.

**Fireworks:** The possession or use of fireworks at camp is strictly prohibited.

**Early Scout Departure:** If a Scout is leaving camp before the end of the camp session, notification of the departure must be given to the Camp Director in writing upon arrival at camp. Please use the included Early Release form found at the end of this guide to do so. When the Scout is to leave, he or she must be brought to the camp office by the Pack leadership who will identify the adult with whom the Scout is leaving.

**Under no circumstances will OPEN FLAMES OR FIRES (Including Lanterns) be permitted in tents or dining flies**

**Footware:** Closed toe shoes should be worn in camp at all times except when in a tent, showering, or swimming. This is for safety and to prevent contracting poison ivy. Heelys, Crocs, and sandals are not appropriate footwear while at camp.

**Uniforms:** We encourage each pack to adopt an appropriate uniform for outdoor activities during the day programs at camp. We encourage each pack to police its own rules regarding the wearing of the uniform. Scouts and leaders should wear the official BSA Cub Scout field uniform at flag ceremonies, (breakfast and dinner) and religious services.

**Pets:** Pets are not allowed in camp. Please leave your furry family safe at home.

**Camp Security:** The security of all campers, leaders, and staff is our top priority. We maintain a working relationship with local emergency services and have implemented several measures to improve your safety throughout your stay:

- All staff members wear official camp uniforms and have I.D. badge.
- All Campers and Leaders will wear a wristband during their stay at camp.
- All Camp staff, campers, and visitors are required to sign in and out of camp log book located at main dining pavilion.
- Anyone not wearing a wristband should not be approached and a staff member should be notified as soon as possible.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Can I attend without the rest of my pack?**

Yes! We have many parent/child combinations that are the only participants from their pack. Resident camp is a great time to bond with your child, and you can come, no matter what the rest of your pack is doing.

### **Can siblings attend resident camp?**

We prefer that all guests in camp are Scouts and participate in the programming. If, however, you would not be able to attend the summer camp experience without bringing siblings to camp, we are happy to accommodate to be sure your Scout has an opportunity to have a summer camp experience.

### **Can siblings that are registered Scouts BSA attend?**

Yes! Scouts can attend in a Den Chief capacity. These scouts should register as adults and pay the adult fee.

### **Can two parents “split shift” time at camp?**

Yes! If two adults want to attend a part of the camp and “switch places” with another adult, you can pay for only one adult. When the arriving adult checks in, the camp staff will issue a new wristband and collect the wristband from the departing adult.

### **Will there be electricity in the campsites?**

No- All campers should be prepared to camp without access to electrical outlets in the campsites. There are few camping areas with electricity provided for medical needs only.

### **How do I register?**

Visit [www.canyoncampbsa.org/register](http://www.canyoncampbsa.org/register)! It's simple and you can register as an individual or as a full pack or Den.

### **Why should I attend resident camp?**

Resident camp is an amazing outdoor experience that provides fun, advancement, and a great bonding experience between parent and child. Pack leaders will often find themselves bonding in new ways too. Don't forget that resident camp is a great way to keep youth interested in the Scouting program.

Lastly, resident camp provides a great preview into the exciting world of Scouts BSA! The entire staff is composed of Scouts BSA members. This is a great time to interact with youth and adults involved in the Scouting program.

### **I have a special dietary need. What should I do?**

Note this on your registration form and we will be sure to do our best to meet your needs.

### **Who can attend resident camp?**

Any Scout entering 4th or 5th grade this fall can attend resident camp. T

**Can Scouts attend without a parent/guardian?**

Scouts can attend without their parent, if another parent is going to be responsible for the Scout. Please remember that packs must maintain “Two Deep Leadership” and a maximum ratio of three youth to one adult should be maintained while at camp.

**Can visitors have a meal with the campers?**

Of course! Meal tickets are available for purchase in the Trading Post for \$7.00.

Suggested Packing List for Cub Scout Resident Camp

Uniform (1)	Sleeping Bag
T-shirts (3)	Small Pillow
Long Sleeve Shirt (1)	Flashlight/batteries
Shorts (2)	Water bottle
Extra Pants (1)	Pocket Knife/Whittlin’ Chit
Pajamas (1-2)	Scout Handbook
Socks (3-4)	Insect Repellant
Underwear (3-4)	Sunscreen
Swimsuit (1)	Toiletries
Sweatshirt/Jacket (1)	Towel
Rain Gear	Camera
Hiking Boots/ close toed shoes	Hat
<i>If not using camp supplied platform tent- Tent</i>	Money for Trading Post
<i>If not using camp supplied bunk and mattress- Sleeping pad</i>	Other:



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