# Westark Area Council



2020 Scouts BSA Resident Summer Camp Leader's Guide COVID-19 Update

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## **From the Camp Director**

We understand that a long-term Summer Camp is usually the highlight of a Scout's year, and we believe it is important that we do everything we can to offer a Summer Camp opportunity. We are excited to be offering three weeks of camp at Camp Orr High Adventure Base starting July 5, 2020.

Week 1: July 5 – July 11 Week 2: July 12 – July 18 Week 3: July 19 – July 25

Scouting is committed to keeping kids safe. We know things are going to look different from previous summers, and we must let you know there is a risk of someone contracting the COVID-19 coronavirus this summer. The Westark Area Council is implementing several preventative procedures that you will find in this updated Leader Guide. By following the recommended guidelines regarding Summer Residential Camp from the Arkansas Department of Health, we are taking proactive measures to limit the spread of COVID-19 to help safeguard our scouts, volunteers, and staff.

I look forward to welcoming you to Camp Orr, where you can experience the beautiful Buffalo National River allowing you the space to reconnect with nature and get away from TV and electronics.

See you soon!

Shelby Nuckolls <u>Shelby.Nucholls@Scouting.org</u> Camp Orr Camp Director



## Why Comp ORR ?





#### Why would you visit Camp Orr?

It's in the middle of nowhere, in beautiful Arkansas summer with bugs, critters, and snakes. It's down a steep dirt road with no access to TV and miles from anywhere.....

#### Because Camp Orr is a "real" camp!

We have real nature. We are the only Scout camp in the country surrounded by a National Forest. The Ozark Highlands Trail and the Old River Trail both run through or near camp. The Ozark Highlands Trail extends nearly 200 miles (as of 2017) from Lake Fort Smith in western Arkansas beyond Woolum on the eastern end. It is one of the longest trails in the central United States.

#### We have a real river!

The Buffalo National River, established in 1972, flows freely for 135 miles through northern Arkansas. It is one of the few remaining undammed rivers in the Lower 48 states and passes through camp providing the riverfront for our Aquatics Area with both Swimming and Boating.

#### We have real treks!

Our Trekking Program is second to none. Treks include backpacking on the 37-mile-long Buffalo River Trail or canoeing on the 151-mile-long Buffalo River.

#### We have climbing on real bluffs!

In addition to the climbing tower, we have 5 rappelling sites and 4 climbing sites utilizing natural sandstone and limestone walls. Come "hang" out with the climbing crew and earn your Climbing Merit Badge.

#### We have mountain biking on real trails!

Camp Orr boasts 15 miles of scenic biking trails and top of the line mountain bikes. Our trails can accommodate beginner to intermediate bike enthusiasts. Cycling Merit Badge at its finest!



## **Camp Fees and Registration**

#### **Camp Fees**

Camper Type	Out-of- Council	In-Council
Scouts	\$325**	\$275**
Adults	\$150*	\$125*
High Adventure Youth and Adults	\$395	\$345

\*One FREE adult for every ten(10) traditional Scouts.

\*\*Additional program fees will be charged for some merit badges.

#### How to Register

Please click on the registration link by the week you want to attend.

Camp Week	Dates	Registration Link
Week One	July 5-11, 2020	Register Now
Week Two	July 12-18, 2020	Register Now
Week Three	July 19-25, 2020	Register Now

#### Fee Schedule

- 1. Reserve your spot to attend Camp Orr **\$550** (Applies toward total fees due)
- 2. Select a Scout's Merit Badges or High Adventure Program **\$100** due for each Scout to register for classes.
- 3. Final Payment is due when you arrive at Camp Orr

#### **Refund Policy**

If your Troop registers for camp and chooses not to attend due to COVID-19 concerns, or we cancel camp, we will refund all fees, including deposits, in full.

If you have individual Scouts or leaders that cannot attend camp because they failed your unit's medical pre-screening, or if they do not want to attend based on COVID-19 concerns, we will refund their fees in full.

## **Only at Camp Orr!**



**Twin Falls** – Upon entering camp, Twin Falls is a short hike to the south. After a rain, you may be lucky and find three falls.

Click here to see Twin Falls in action!



Antenna Pine – Standing watch over the valley below is Antenna Pine. A rugged and steep hike to the top will grant you one of the best views in the state. Tradition is a small troop flag left behind for the next group to capture when they have made the climb.



**Hollerin' Holler** – This evening production is one of the program features that sets Camp Orr apart from others. Inspired by the old TV show Hee-Haw and the Al Capp comic strip Lil' Abner, staff will don their Ozark Mountain attire and entertain in a way that only back country hill folk know how.

Click here for some good old- fashioned entertainment.



**The Legend of Smokey Joe** – Almost as old as Camp Orr, the Legend of Smoky Joe is told Friday night at closing campfire. Come hear the mysterious journey of former Troop 1 Scoutmaster Joe Kelly, as we travel back in time and recall his actions from then until now. Scouts and Scouters alike will enjoy another "only at Camp Orr" experience.

## **Program Areas**



**Buffalo Trail** – All-day program for first year Scouts. Scouts will meet in their groups on Monday through Thursday. In addition to rank requirements, Scouts will have the opportunity to complete at least two Eagle-required Merit Badges, Swimming and First Aid, as well as some requirements for other Merit Badges, like Cooking.



**Aquatics** – The scenic Buffalo National River is a welcome spot on a hot Arkansas day. Merit badge choices include Swimming, Kayaking, and Lifesaving. We also offer instructional swimming.



**Shooting Sports** – A great week-long opportunity with a nationally accredited shooting sports staff. Merit badge choices are Archery, Rifle Shooting and Shotgun Shooting.



**Ecology** – Our wilderness offers a spectacular outdoor ecology classroom. Merit badge choices are Archeology, Astronomy Chemistry, Environmental Science and Nature.



**Buffalo River Wilderness Company** – Offering skills and knowledge for outdoor survival, BRWC is a week-long journey in fun and skill learning. Merit badge choices are Leatherwork, Orienteering, Fishing, First Aid, Camping and Cooking.



**Eagle Emphasis**: In addition to our regularly offered merit badges, we are offering 5 additional Eagle required merit badges during every week. Merit badge choices are Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communication and Emergency Preparedness.



**High Adventure** – Challenge yourself by taking Climbing and Cycling (Mountain Biking) merit badges. Camp Orr's climbing program features a climbing tower and several natural climbing and rappelling sites where you can "hang out" with the Climbing staff and earn the Climbing merit badge.

Our mountain biking program offers Scouts the opportunity to ride top of the line mountain bikes on 15 miles of scenic biking trails that can accommodate all levels of bike enthusiasts.

## **Class Selections**

We will be offering the following Merit Badges for Summer 2020.

Scouts and Adult Leaders are strongly encouraged to review the pre-requisites and requirements for selected merit badges prior to camp. Please ensure each Scout is physically able to participate in the merit badges he signs up for. If it is determined that a Scout cannot successfully or safely participate in a chosen class, he or she will be asked to choose a more appropriate class. Camp Orr does not issue blue merit badge cards. Units will be given a printout at the end of the week noting the work completed. **Please verify it for accuracy before leaving camp.** Knowing the requirements prior to arrival at camp is beneficial. Check the individual merit badges below for further required equipment or additional fees.



The Buffalo Trail Program is designed for those Scouts who have either just crossed over from Webelos or have limited camping experience. Basic Scout skills for the inexperienced Scout form the basis of the program. Buffalo Trail is and all-day program. Scouts will meet in their groups on Monday through Thursday. In addition to rank requirements, Scouts will have the opportunity to complete at least two Eagle-required Merit Badges, Swimming and First Aid, as well as some requirements for other Merit Badges, like Cooking. Scouts will receive instruction in the following skill areas: woods tools, meal preparation and cooking, pioneering, knots, orienteering, nature, first aid, and outdoor citizenship. All Scouts will receive instruction but will not be signed off, as that is the responsibility of the Scoutmaster or his designee. Scouts will also have the opportunity to earn their Totin' Chip & Firem'n Chit.



**Archeology** – All Requirements may be completed at camp. Bring clothes that you are comfortable getting dirty.



**Archery** – Bring a copy of your local laws with you to camp to supplement requirement 1c. Scouts must complete shooting requirements to complete merit badge.



**Camping** – Requirements 4b and 8d must be completed before or after camp. Requirement 9a calls for 20 cumulative nights of camping, 6 of which will be completed by weeks end! **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**Chemistry** – Cannot complete requirement 7 at camp. 7b can be done prior to camp to complete the merit badge.



**Citizenship in the Community** – Requirements 3, 4b, 7c must be completed before or after camp. If completed before, proper documentation from merit badge counselor must be presented. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**Citizenship in the Nation** – Requirement 2 must be completed before or after camp. If completed before, proper documentation from merit badge counselor must be presented. **Eagle Required Merit Badge** 



Citizenship in the World – All requirements may be completed at camp. Eagle Required Merit Badge.



Climbing – All requirements can be completed at camp.



**Communication** – All requirements can be met at camp. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**Cooking** – Requirements 5c-5e must be completed after camp. Requirement 8 must be completed before or after camp. If completed before, proper documentation from merit badge counselor must be presented. **Eagle Required Merit Badge. Additional fee of \$25 for this class.** 



**Cycling** – All things cycling from maintenance to repairs with a little  $1^{st}$  aid thrown in. Bring your state and local bicycle laws (Req. 6). Requirement 7 may not be completed in full while at camp. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**Emergency Preparedness** – Requirements 1c and 8b cannot be completed at camp. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**Environment Science** – Open to all Scouts. Be sure to have pen and paper for this class. All requirements can be completed at camp. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**First Aid** – Requirement 1 should be completed prior to camp. Scouts need to come prepared with a first aid kit that they have created at home. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**Fishing** – May need time outside of class for #9. Fishing license required if 16 or over; available on Arkansas Game and Fish Commission website www.agfc.com (not available at camp). Recommended that each Scout have his or her own rod and reel.



**Kayaking** – Must be a swimmer. For older, more experienced Scouts. All requirements can be completed at camp.



**Leatherwork** – All requirements can be completed at camp. We will be making a leather knife holder for requirement 3. Additional fee of \$25 for this class.



**Lifesaving** – Open to scouts 13 years of age and up. For requirement 7e Scouts must have jeans with a belt and long-sleeved button-up cotton shirt. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 



**Nature** – Scouts must come prepared to hike and put the necessary time and work into this merit badge.



**Orienteering** – All requirements can be completed at camp. Compasses provided by beneficial if Scout has his or her own.



**Rifle Shooting** – Due to restrictions of being on a National River, we are only able to use competition air rifles for this merit badge. To Complete the merit badge, Scouts must qualify with shooting requirements (option B, req. j, k). Additional fee of \$25 for this class.



**Shotgun Shooting** – 20-gauge shotgun used for this class. Be sure your Scouts are physically capable of handling a shotgun to qualify for the shooting requirement. Additional fee of \$25 for this class.



**Swimming** – Must pass BSA swimmer test. All requirements can be completed at camp. For requirement 4, Scouts must have the following clothes: shoes, socks, swim trunks, long pants (cotton/blue jeans), belt on pants, and cotton long-sleeved, button-up shirt. **Eagle Required Merit Badge.** 

## **Free Time Merit Badges**

During free time or at campsites, Scouts can earn Bonus Merit Badges.



Astronomy – Three evenings required to observe stars, weather permitting. Come prepared with requirement 5b completed in order to complete the merit badge of camp (requires use of the internet).



Chess – Basic knowledge of tournament play is helpful.



**Collections** – All requirements can be met at camp! Bring your collection to help satisfy requirements. Coin Collecting and Stamp Collecting do not apply. Bringing a collection is not a requirement.



#### High Adventure Trekking Opportunities: Available All Three Weeks

Camp Orr High Adventure Base was established in 1953 and has hosted Scouts BSA Resident Camping and high adventure opportunities for over 50 years. Camp Orr, located on the banks of the Buffalo National River, near Jasper, Arkansas is the only BSA accredited High Adventure Base sheltered on all sides by the National Park Service. This insures a healthy biosphere of wildlife and

vegetation, back yard access to scenic backpacking and float trips, and a therapeutic isolation from the cares of the outside world. We can't wait for you join us this summer so you can see for yourself why Arkansas is called the Natural State, and why we believe that the beauty in nature here is something that must be experienced to be understood.

#### High Adventure Trekking Options:

**The River:** River Treks will take place on the Buffalo National River. The Buffalo River flows freely for 151 miles and it is divided into three districts, the Upper District, Middle District, and Lower District. Camp Orr is located in the Upper District. Since river levels are dependent on rainfall, the river may not be high enough in the Upper District the week you attend camp. If that is the case, your trek may take you to the Middle or Lower Districts.

#### **Buffalo River Maps:**

<u>Upper District (40.9 miles)</u> <u>Middle District (48.1 miles)</u> Lower District (44.8 miles)

**Backpacking:** This trek will take place primarily on the Buffalo River Trail (BRT). The BRT is 37 miles, one-way, has elevation changes of 1000 feet, and winds along the bluffs, gravel bars, and banks that cradle the river passing by scenic overlooks, old home sites, and wild areas, that give visitors a firsthand look at what best characterizes the Buffalo River.

#### **BRT Trail Maps:**

Boxley to Ponca (11.3 miles) Ponca to Steel Creek (2.2 miles) Steel Creek to Kyle's Landing (8 miles) Kyle's Landing to Erbie (6.7 miles) Erbie to Ozark (5.9 miles) Ozark to Pruitt (2.5 miles)

#### WHO MAY PARTICIPATE?

- Participants must be registered members of the BSA, 14-years of age OR completed 8th grade and be at least 13 years of age prior to participation. Please do NOT request or expect any exceptions to this rule.
- ALL River Trek participants MUST be classified as a "swimmer" prior to arrival at Camp Orr.
- Camp Orr High Adventure Base will offer trekking opportunities to four (4) crews each week. Crews will be made up of 11 Scouts and Scouters plus your Camp Orr staff member called a Trek Guide.
- A crew must have a majority of its members under age 21. Each participant must be capable of participating in the hiking or canoeing.
- Each participant must meet the health requirements as outlined in the Annual Health and Medical Record.



#### National Youth Leadership Training: July 19-25, 2020 @ Camp Orr

National Youth Leadership Training is an exciting, action-packed program designed for councils to provide youth members with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must

BE, what they must KNOW, and what they must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership.

NYLT is a six-day course. Content is delivered in a troop and patrol outdoor setting with an emphasis on immediate application of learning in a fun environment. Interconnecting concepts and work processes are introduced early, built upon, and aided by the use of memory aids, which allows participants to understand and employ the leadership skills much faster.

Built on the legacy of past JLT successes, the new NYLT integrates the best of modern leadership theory with the traditional strengths of the Scouting experience. Through activities, presentations, challenges, discussions, and audio-visual support, NYLT participants will be engaged in a unified approach to leadership that will give them the skill and confidence to lead well. Through a wide range of activities, games, and adventures, participants will work and play together as they put into action the best Scouting has to offer.

In order to attend a NYLT course, a youth must have the following qualifications by the beginning of the course:

- Must be a registered member of a Scouting unit.
- Must have a current BSA Health and Medical Record form parts A, B, and C.

- As of March 1, 2020, Scouts BSA members (male and female) must be at least 13. They must have completed Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops.
- Venturers and Sea Scouts (male and female) must be at least 14, or 13 and have completed eighth grade, and fall within the maximum age allowance for their program. They must have completed Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews or Ships. It is recommended that they have had at least one year of camping experience. While NYLT is not an outdoor skills course, it is important that each participant have basic camping and outdoor cooking experience.
- Have a unit leader recommendation.
- You can attend as an individual Scout; your Troop does not have to be attending Camp Orr for you to participate.
- Registration fee is \$275 per Scout.

#### For more information about NYLT, or to register, click here: <u>NYLT</u>

## **Camp Orr 2020 COVID-19 Special Policies**

#### **Medical Screening**

- All staff and campers are strongly encouraged to self-quarantine at home (do not leave home for any purpose) for 14 days prior to arriving at camp, and strongly encouraged to have a -PCR
  - COVID-19 test performed within 4 days (96 hours) prior to being admitted to camp.
- Troops are required to pre-screen all youth and adults prior to leaving their town or community.
- Each Troop will be assigned an arrival time for medical check-in.
- Medical check-in will occur before you enter camp at the Mt. Sherman Community Building
- Arrival times will be emailed to your Troop contact two weeks prior to your camp date.
- The pre-screening form is found here: <u>Westark Area Council COVID-19 Event Pre-</u> <u>Screening Form</u>
- All participants are required to have up to date BSA Annual Health and Medical Record, including a physical examination (Part C) conducted after February 1, 2019.
- Participants with a Part C completed on or after February 1, 2019 will have its validity extended until August 31, 2020.
- Participants without Part C or one prior to February 1, 2019, including new members may attach a completed alternate exam (sports, school, annual well exam at pediatrician) completed on or after February 1, 2019. This will be accepted as a valid Part C until August 31, 2020.
- All participants must update Parts A and B of the AHMR within two weeks of their departure to camp. Download here: <u>https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/</u>
- If a participant does not meet the criteria above, the following are options to obtain an examination:
  - 1. Telephonic well appointment Conducted with an individual's existing health care provider (HCP) to complete the AHMR Part C exam and examiners signature virtually.
  - 2. Professional or Compliance well exams Adult participants whose profession requires regular well or compliance exams (emergency responders, pilots, etc.) may also be able to complete the exam requirements by having the conducting HCP complete Part C either during those well checks or telephonically.
  - 3. Local Community clinic or alternative HCP If primary HCP is unavailable, use alternatives/ clinics in the local community such as alternate HCP, CVS, Rite Aid, Care Now, etc.

#### **Medical Plan**

- Any person who becomes ill while at the camp will be immediately isolated.
- Arrangements will be made for the individual to be returned home.
- If symptoms include fever above 100.4°F, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, or loss of taste or smell, Camp Orr is required to notify the Arkansas Department of Health.

#### **Ongoing Monitoring**

• Each morning all Staff, Scouts and Leaders will receive a temperature check and symptom screening.

#### **Daily Activities**

- As much as possible, maintain physical distancing of 6 feet (space seating, etc.).
- Staff and campers 10 years of age and older are required to wear cloth face coverings at all times. *Face coverings are not required while in some merit badge classes, eating, bathing, or sleeping.* Please have your Scouts and adults bring masks with them. We will have a limited supply available.
- Student and staff groupings will change as little as possible.
- When possible, classes will be held in groups of 10 or fewer.
- Gatherings, events, or extracurricular activities will allow for proper social distancing and support proper hand hygiene.

#### Hygiene

- Hand sanitizers will be available in as many places as possible, including every campsite, program area, and in the dining hall.
- Hand washing is required before and after every meal.
- Areas that are frequently touched—such as playground equipment, shared objects, door handles, drinking fountains, and sink handles—will be cleaned and disinfected multiple times daily.

#### **Sleeping and Showering Arrangements**

- Campsites and tents will be arranged so that physical distancing can be achieved to the extent possible, with 6 feet between camper's heads and campers arranged head to toe while sleeping.
- If possible, we will assign one camper per tent.
- Shower times will be staggered.

#### **Meal Service**

- All meals will be provided in accordance with the Arkansas State Directive of Resuming Restaurant Dine In Operations.
- Meals will be plated by staff and access to single-service items such as plastic silverware, condiment packets, and napkins will be provided individually.
- Meal shifts may be used.
- Some meals may be served meals in campsites.

#### **Camp Visitors**

- Camp Orr prohibits persons from the facility except:
  - 1. Camp or facility staff;
  - 2. Children enrolled at the camp;
  - 3. Parents or legal guardians who have children enrolled and present at the facility with a legitimate need; and
  - 4. Professionals providing services to children;

- 5. Food suppliers and delivery drivers.
- Visitors shall sign in and be masked on entry.

## **Camp Orr General Policies**

#### **Two-Deep Leadership**

- Each unit must have at least two registered adults over the age of 21 in camp at all times.
- Custodial leadership can be provided in the event of an emergency, but otherwise it is the responsibility of the unit.

#### **Health Services**

- Camp Orr provides a qualified individual on-call 24/7 to provide attention to all medical concerns.
- Any serious illnesses/injuries should be directed to the Camp Medical Officer.
- All prescription medications must be submitted to the Camp Medic for storage and administration. *Exceptions: inhalers, epi-pens, heart medications, regular adult meds.*
- The Camp Medic must have all medications documented to respond correctly when providing aid.
- In the event that a camper requires the services of a doctor, the following steps will be taken:
  - 1. Transportation will be the responsibility of the unit unless EMS is called.
  - 2. Two-deep leadership must be maintained; we will provide custodial leadership in camp if necessary.
  - 3. The Troop must be prepared to pay for any medications that are prescribed by the doctor. Reimbursement will be the responsibility of the family.
  - 4. Parents should be notified immediately. Unit leaders will be expected to know how to reach them if necessary.

#### Vehicles

- Vehicles are to remain in the designated parking area at the bottom of the hill and are not to be in camp.
- If you have a medical need for transportation, it must be pre-approved before camp.
- Scouts are absolutely NOT allowed to ride in the back of trucks or trailers.
- Seat belts are to be worn at all times!

#### **Prohibited Items**

- Fireworks
- Firearms
- Cannons

- Potato guns
- Slingshots

- Illegal drugs
- Canned air horns

Alcohol

#### Knives

- Sheath knives are not permitted at Camp Orr.
- All knives should have lock-back, folding blades under 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches long.

#### Tobacco

- There is a designated smoking area for adult leaders behind the Hogan.
- Please set a good example for our members and do not smoke in other areas of camp, including campsites.

#### Animals

- Pets are not permitted at Camp Orr outside of those designated by the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Do not handle the wildlife.
- If you have a pest that needs relocation, please notify the camp staff .

#### Footgear

- Close-toed shoes/boots must be worn at all times while in camp.
- Sandals are only permitted in the showers and at the waterfront. However, closed-toe shoes are required for travel to and from the showers and waterfront.

#### Water and Ice Availability

- Dehydration is a serious concern and we need to encourage everyone to drink water regularly throughout the day.
- Water spigots are located near all campsites and program areas. They are all potable (drinkable). Please take advantage of them.
- Ice is available for purchase through the Trading Post during regular hours.
- Under red flag conditions (extreme heat and humidity) units will be provided with ice for their water coolers.

#### **Fire Safety**

- Camp Orr has a fire plan in place that will be communicated at the Sunday leader's meeting.
- Please follow these rules while at camp:
  - 1. Report wildfires to the staff immediately.
  - 2. No flames in tents.
  - 3. Scouts do not light fires.
  - 4. Keep all fires in designated fire rings in each campsite.
  - 5. Do not use accelerants.
  - 6. Instructions for an emergency situation will be given at the Sunday leader meeting.
  - 7. Adult supervision is required for all fires, including propane.
- Propane should be locked up when not in use.

#### Sanitation

- It is the responsibility of each unit to clean their campsite and share the cleaning of the latrines and shower houses.
- Cleaning schedules will be provided at check-in and will be posted on the Quartermaster door.

#### **Kitchen Access**

- No one under the age of 16 is permitted in the kitchen area.
- Adults, please check with cook for assistance before entering.

#### Mail

- All mail will be handled through the Trading Post.
- It will only be given to the adult leaders.
- Stamps, envelopes, and post cards will be available for sale in the Trading Post.
- Camp Orr mailing address: HCR 70, Box 140, Jasper, AR 72641

#### **Campsite Inspections**

- Each campsite will be inspected prior to each week of camp, and again on checkout.
- Any damage to camp equipment or property will be charged to the unit.
- Supervision is the key to maintenance please encourage everyone to act responsibly.

## Campsites



Campsites at Camp Orr are outfitted with 9' x 7' two-man canvas tents on permanent wooden platforms. They also have a flagpole and picnic tables. Latrines and running water are found near each campsite. Trash bags are available at the Hogan. Troops are responsible for taking their trash to the trash trailer behind the Dining Hall each evening. This will help keep the critters out.

Please do not eat or store food or snacks in the tents. This attracts unwanted guests to the campsites. All food and snacks should be eaten at the table provided and stored appropriately in the Troop trailer. Please pick up spilled and dropped items and dispose of them in an appropriate trash bag/can. DO NOT FEED THE WILDLIFE!

Troop trailers maybe left in the campsite but need to be positioned so that an emergency vehicle can get into the campsite. Vehicles must be parked in the lot at the bottom of the hill.

Campsite	Capacity	Campsite	Capacity
Dogwood (HC)	30	Sioux	48
Cherokee	24	Shady Valley	26
Trail's Peak	26	Blackfoot	30
Elk	16	Deer	16
Greenbrier	40	Fox	18
Rattlesnake	22	Polecat	20
Hickory Heights	24	Limestone	24
Bobcat	24	Cedarvale (HC)	30
Osage	42	Sassafras (HC)	36
Sequoyah	22	River Trail	48
(HC) indicates Handicapped Accessible			

## **Arrival and Check-In Procedures**



Travel as a group so that you arrive together. Check-in is on Sundays at the Mt. Sherman Community Center. Mt. Sherman Community Center is located at the intersection of Highway 74 and County Road 140. The GPS coordinates are: 36.031160, -93.256209.

#### Approximately two weeks prior to your scheduled week, your Troop Contact will be emailed a specific check-in time. Please do not miss your scheduled time.

Troops are **required** to pre-screen all youth and adults prior to leaving their town or community using this form: <u>Westark Area Council COVID-19 Event Pre-Screening Form</u>.

When your Troop arrives at the Mt. Sherman Community Center, **one** adult will meet with a Camp Orr Staff Member to review the results of the medical pre-screening. At this point, all Scouts and adults will have their temperatures checked again. If all participants pass the temperature check, the Troop can proceed into Camp Orr. If anyone, youth or adult, does not pass the temperature check, your entire Troop will be sent home.

The road into Camp Orr is steep and is not paved. Low clearance vehicles are discouraged. A staff member will be at the "Cool Your Brakes" area halfway down the hill to make sure it is safe to continue down into Camp Orr.

As your Troop enters camp, a staff member will greet you. Please stop and drop off your Scouts and other adult leaders. Only **one** leader is needed at check-in. Your designated staff member will escort the Scouts and other adults on a camp tour. The leader who is checking in your Troop will proceed to the dining hall to complete the check-in process.

## **Arrival and Check-In Procedures – Continued**

- Check-in with the Camp Director to submit your updated Unit Roster and pay any fees due. You will receive a receipt and your colored wristbands. The wristbands are part of our Risk Management Plan and must be worn at all times.
- Check-in with the Camp Commissioner and receive your camp packet (camp schedules, map, etc.). If you ordered t-shirts, please bring a copy of your t-shirt Order Form. T-shirt orders are filled prior to your arrival in camp according to the t-shirt order form you submitted. It is highly recommended to order t-shirts ahead of time so that you will have them prior to your arrival to Camp Orr!
- Check-in with the Program Director to receive your Scouts' class schedules. If any of your Scouts need to make changes to their schedules, this is where you will do that. If we have to make any adjustments to the schedule, we will let you know here.
- Check-in with the Camp Medic to turn in the completed and signed BSA Annual Health and Medical Form, Parts A, B and C. Download here: <a href="https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/">https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/</a> At this time, all prescription medications will be logged and, unless needed by the individual (epi-pens/inhalers/etc.), these will be kept locked up and refrigerated if needed in the Health Lodge. State law and BSA regulations require this. If there is a question regarding a specific medication, we ask that you work with the Camp Medic to keep the Scouts safe and in good health. All regularly scheduled medications will be dispensed by the Camp Medic at the appropriate time unless prior arrangements have been made.
- After the Camp Tour, your Troop, youth and adults, will report the swimming area for swim checks. **Due to natural water conditions, swim checks must be completed at camp.**

#### Setting Up Camp

Troops can only bring **one vehicle and trailer** into main camp to drop off gear. All other vehicles must remain in the parking area. Once your gear is dropped off at your campsite, you will need to return your vehicle to the parking area. Your Troop trailer can be left in your campsite, but it needs to be positioned so that an emergency vehicle can get into your campsite if needed.

## **In-Camp Program Equipment List**

#### **In- Camp Program**

#### Camp Orr Provides:

- Flagpole
- Picnic Table(s)
- Canvas Wall Tents
- Tent Platforms
- Meals
- Trash Bags •

• Latrines

□ Lanterns

- Water Supply
- Hot Showers

#### Each Unit Needs to Bring:

- $\Box$  U.S. Flag
- □ Troop Flag
- □ Patrol Flags
- $\Box$  Dining Fly

- □ Water jug or water cooler
- □ First Aid Kit
- Historically, Troops prepare the Wednesday night meal in their campsites. As a result of COVID-19, please be prepared to cook more than one meal in your campsite.

#### Each Individual Needs to Bring:

- □ Necessary medications
- □ Water bottle
- □ Official Scout
- Uniform
- □ T-shirts
- □ Shorts
- □ Long Pants\*
- □ Long Sleeved Shirt\*
- $\Box$  Socks
- □ Underwear

- □ Flashlight
- □ Light Jacket
- □ Swim Trunks □ Raingear

- □ BSA Handbook
- □ Merit Badge Pamphlets
- □ Notepad
- □ Pens/Pencils
- □ Spending Money
- □ Bible
- □ Bug Repellent
- □ Sunscreen
- □ Folding Pocket Knife

#### \*needed for Swimming and Lifesaving merit badges.

ALL classes require each Scout to bring pencil and paper every day.

#### **Additional Items to Consider:**

- □ Camera
- □ Fishing tackle
- □ Musical Instrument

Sewing Kit □ Sunglasses

□ Patrol Gear

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- □ Closed-toe
- Shoes/Boots
- □ Hat/Cap
- □ Sleeping Bag/Bedroll
- □ Pillow
- □ Cot
- Towel

  - Items

- □ Personal Hygiene

## **Trekking Program Equipment List**

Camp Orr Provides:

- All food while on the trail and meals in the dining hall prior to and upon scheduled return of trek
- Lodging for the night you arrive and the night before you leave
- Canoes, paddles and life jackets (river trek only)
- Trained Staff Member (trek guide) who will accompany you for your entire trip
- Emergency communications device (SPOT)

\* Please note fees will be assessed for any loss or damages incurred while on your trip.

#### Personal Equipment List:

- □ Raingear
- □ Lightweight Tent
- □ Lightweight Sleeping Pad
- □ Lightweight Sleeping Bag
- □ Pack Pillow (optional)
- □ Hiking Pants
- □ Underwear (3 pairs recommended)
- □ Moisture Wicking T-Shirt (2 shirts recommended)
- □ If you are prone to sunburn, recommend at least one long-sleeved shirt
- □ Liner Socks and Socks (at least 3 pairs recommended)
- □ Hat (wide-brimmed recommended)
- □ Compass
- □ Whistle
- □ Matches
- □ Watch
- □ Insect Repellant
- □ Sunblock & SPF Lip Balm

- $\Box$  Sunglasses (optional)
- Headlamp and a Small Backup Flashlight with Extra Batteries
- □ Small Personal First-Aid Kit
- □ Small Personal Survival Kit
- □ Small Folding Knife
- □ Small BIC Lighter
- Small Compression Sacks (recommended)
- □ Ability to Carry 3 to 4 Liters of Water
- □ Water Filter or Water Treatment Tablets
- □ Ultralight Backpack Stove & Fuel
- Personal Cook Set
- □ Single Person Cookpot (minimum 500 ml)
- □ Small Plastic Bowl and/or Plate
- □ Spork
- □ P38 Can Opener (optional)
- □ Small Personal Hygiene Kit
- Small Trowel

#### Backpacking/Hiking Specific Items Each Individual Needs to Bring:

- Backpack (MUST have load bearing hip-belt, sternum strap; load-lifter straps also strongly recommended)
- Pack Cover

#### River Trek Specific Items Each Individual Needs to Bring:

- Minimum of Two 20L Dry Bags or Two 5 Gallon Buckets
- Day Pack

- Quality Hiking Boots or Trail Shoes
- □ Lightweight Water Shoes for River Crossings
- □ Trekking Poles (if desired)
- □ Lightweight pair of shoes and socks for use in evenings and side hikes
- □ Swim Clothing

## **Troop Roster**

Troop #	City & State	Council

Week Attending (Please Circle)	July 5-11	July 12-18	July 19-25
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ADULTS		CHECK ONE		
Name	Emergency Contact Number	In-	Canoeing	Backpacking/ Hiking
	Contact Number	Camp		Hiking

SCOUTS		CHECK ONE		
Name	Emergency Contact Number	In- Camp	Canoeing	Backpacking/ Hiking

Please use additional sheets as necessary.





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