

Dear Parents:

Congratulations on your choice to send your son to Camp Scouthaven- a Nationally Accredited Cub Scout Summer Camp! Maybe you have even decided to attend with him! We know that your stay will be a lot of FUN!

This Parents' Guide is designed to serve as an "Essentials", giving you all the necessary information for an enjoyable stay at camp. Your Cubmaster, Pack Camping Coordinator, and other adult leaders have received a full Leaders' Guide. If you would like a copy, please feel free to ask your leader, make a photocopy, or access it online at www.wnyscouting.org under Resident Cub Scout Camping.

In this guide you will find an equipment list, important information on payments and refunds, critical information on the services of Camp Scouthaven and other necessary information. The staff of Camp Scouthaven is pleased to serve you this summer and we will "Do Our Best" to make your stay a memorable experience for you and your son. Please don't hesitate to ask if there is anything we can do!

Again THANK YOU for choosing Camp Scouthaven!

Sue Gruber
Camp Director

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Program Director



OPEN AREAS (MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW AT CAMP)		OPEN AREAS	
3-3:50 PM		5-5:50 PM	PACK TIME
		6:05 PM	-----Colors-----
		6:15 PM	-----Dinner-----
7:00 PM	CAMPFIRE Meet at Flagpoles at 7:45 Please be prompt.	Vespers (15 minutes after Dinner is over)	Webelos I Overnight Wolf and Bears- Camp Activity
8:00 PM		Pack Campfires Trading Post Open	
		Family BBQ (Serving from 5:15-5:45)	Trading Post Open During BBQ
		Colors and Campfire (Immediately After BBQ)	Have a safe trip home! See you next year!
			Trading Post will be open following Campfire.

SCOUTHAVEN 2009 RESIDENT CAMP SCHEDULE (Tentative)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>DAY 1</u>	<u>DAY 2</u>	<u>DAY 3</u>	<u>DAY 4</u>
7:00 AM		RISE AND SHINE!		
7:00-7:30 AM		Early Bird Swim/Early Bird Nature Hike	Early Bird Nature Hike	Early Bird Swim/Early Bird Nature Hike
7:50 AM		-----Colors-----		
8:00 AM		-----Breakfast-----		
9-9:50 AM	CHECK- IN (9-11)	-----Session 1-----		
10-10:50 AM	→	-----Session 2-----		
11-11:50 AM		-----Session 3-----		
12:10 PM		-----Lunch-----		
1:10-2:00 PM	Leaders' Meeting 1 PM @ Lakeside	-----Siesta-----		
2:00-2:50 PM		-----Session 4-----		

IMPORTANT SERVICES OF CAMP SCOUTHAVEN

Here is a list of important services you can expect at Camp Scouthaven!

CAMPSITES:

Each campsite contains the following:

- 10' x 20' gray awning
- 2 picnic tables
- Garbage can
- Camp fire area and fire tools (shovel, hose, broom, rake)
- Canvas Wall Tents (9'x 9' square)- Each tent is equipped with 2 cots and 2 mattresses. Tents are approximately 6" above the ground on wooden platforms.
- Latrine with washstand and fountain.

CENTRAL SHOWER HOUSE:

Our central shower house is equipped with the following:

- Men's and Women's Restrooms
- 12 Individual showers with private changing areas
- Shower house will be closed daily for cleaning (Times-TBA)

PROGRAM AREAS:

All areas fully staffed with program designed for Wolves, Bears, Webelos I, Webelos II:

- Waterfront- Swimming and Boating
- Shooting Sports- BB Gun and Archery, Action Archery (Webelos II only)
- Activities (Including Basketball Court and obstacle course)
- Nature
- Fishing
- Craft Lodge
- Outdoor Skills
- Frisbee Golf
- *BMX-for Webelos only if funding comes through*

OTHER FACILITIES:

- Fully staffed and stocked Health Lodge- Nurse on duty full time
- State of the art Kitchen and Dining Hall- All meals prepared by our staff
- Trading Post- Stocked with memories, snacks, t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, etc.

Remember your son is considered the next rank at camp. For example, if he is a Wolf this year he will be a Bear at camp, etc.

CAMP FEES:

This is a summary of the 2009 summer camp fees. For a full description please refer to the Leaders' Guide.

Camp Fee:

\$325 per 1 youth & 1 parent, grandparent or legal guardian per session.
\$205 per 1 additional Cub Scout, same family, same Pack, same session.
\$215 per youth without accompanying adult.
\$125 per adult without accompanying youth.

10% Discount Fee: (all payments must be made at due dates, see payment schedule)

\$292.50 per 1 youth & 1 parent, grandparent or legal guardian per session.
\$184.50 per 1 additional Cub Scout, same family, same Pack, same session.
\$193.50 per youth without accompanying adult.
\$ 112.50 per adult without accompanying youth.

Payment Schedule: (to receive 10% discount)

Payment #1: Due January 23, 2009, \$25.00 per camper with name. Payments will not be taken without names. Deposit payments are non transferable or refundable.

Payment #2: Due April 17, 2009, Final payment in full. Final payments are non transferable.

All adults must be youth protection trained!

REFUND POLICY:

All refund requests must be made by submitting an Official Refund Request Form available at the Council Service Center or Council Website. The requests *must* be:

- Filed and submitted by the parents.
- Signed by parent and Unit Leader.
- Received by August 15.

All requests will be subject to a \$25 cancellation fee. After August 15, refund requests will be subject to a 50 % cancellation fee. Refund requests received after August 31, 2009 will not be considered. Circumstances under which refunds will be granted are as follows:

- 1.) Illness of Scout prevents his attendance at summer camp.
- 2.) Illness or death in the campers' immediate family prevents attendance at camp.
- 3.) Family relocation makes attending camp impractical.
- 4.) Mandatory attendance at summer school that is verifiable.
- 5.) A camper leaves camp for medical reasons (HOME-SICKNESS IS

NOT CONSIDERED A REFUNDABLE MEDICAL REASON.) In such cases, the camper will receive a pro-rated refund for the unused portion of camp fee.

EQUIPMENT LIST

What follows is a suggested list of equipment for an enjoyable stay at camp. It does get cool in the evenings, and each boy should be prepared for the weather. Both a personal equipment list and a Pack equipment list are included. Please pay special attention to the items that should be left at home.

PERSONAL GEAR

_____ Uniform (s)
(Neckerchiefs may be left at home)
_____ Extra Shirts & Pants
_____ Socks & Underwear
_____ Jacket
_____ Rain gear
_____ Sleep Wear
_____ Sneakers and / or Hiking Boots
_____ Swim Wear / Swim Shoes
_____ Towels & Toiletries
_____ Sleeping Bag or Blankets
_____ Pillow
_____ Flashlight w/ extra Batteries
_____ Wallet w/ Money (A trading post is available – It is suggested that each Scout bring \$40 spending money for snacks and souvenirs-they may put it on an account)
_____ Handkerchief
_____ Bug Repellent
_____ Cub Scout Handbooks
_____ Mess Kit (Webelos II only)

OPTIONAL PERSONAL GEAR

_____ Watch
_____ Camera and Film
_____ Song Book
_____ Bible, Prayer Book
_____ Fishing Pole and Tackle
_____ Sun Screen
_____ Stationary and Stamps
_____ Laundry Bag

PLEASE LEAVE AT HOME

Pets, Fire Works, Fire Arms, Ammunition, Aerosol Cans, Radios, Tape Players, CD Players, Televisions, "Walk-man," Electronic Games, Squirt Guns, Dice, Un-Scout like Literature, Alcohol, and Illegal Drugs and Valuables.

PLEASE REMEMBER CAMP SCOUTHAVEN IS AN ALCOHOL FREE CAMP!

LABEL YOUR GEAR

Cub Scouts should "Mark" all personal Gear with their name and Pack #. Many times items are lost or misplaced and are never claimed. Items that are marked and found will be returned to the pack.

PACK EQUIPMENT FOR CAMP:

_____ Copy of Leaders Guide
_____ First Aid Kit
_____ American Flag
_____ Pack Flag
_____ Den Flags
_____ Advancement Records/Chart
_____ Lawn Chairs
_____ Rope
_____ Binders Twine
_____ Special Menu Plans
_____ Treats
_____ Special Awards
_____ **Paper Towels and Soap for Latrine**
~not provided by camp~

SCOUTHAVEN HAS AVAILABLE:

_____ Picnic Tables
_____ Dining Flies
_____ Brooms
_____ Toilet Paper
_____ Plungers
_____ Hoses
_____ Rakes

ADVANCEMENT AT CAMP:

Cub Scout Advancement is a family activity. Achievements and Electives in the Wolf and Bear books should be completed at home and signed off by the boys' Akela. Webelos Activity Badges are Den and Family activities and should be completed at home. As such Camp Scouthaven does not focus on advancement and does not hand out any advancement paperwork. However please be sure to have your son bring his handbook to camp so that at night you and he can review his accomplishments of the day. We do recognize that camp presents some unique opportunities for boys to complete certain Sports Belt Loops and Pins. Boys may earn the BB Gun and Archery Belt Loop and may complete some requirements toward the Aquanaut and other Webelos Activity Badges. Be sure that any requirements that your son completes are reported to his Den Leader.

WATERFRONT REGULATIONS:

Any person attending camp who wishes to utilize the waterfront must participate in a swim test on check in day, including adults. Adults may swim test prior to camp at local pools. Look for information that will be forthcoming about dates and times in April or May on the council website. Cub Scouts must swim test AT CAMP as we have a lake and not a pool.

SWIMMING:

White swimmer: These are considered non-swimmers and may only use the white (shallow) area of the lake.

Red swimmer: To become a red swimmer you must swim roughly 50 feet.

Blue swimmer: To become a blue swimmer you must swim 100 yards, with one lap using a back stroke.

BOATING:

Canoes: Only Blue swimmers may use the canoes.

John Boats/Row Boats: 2 red swimmers, or a blue swimmer with a white swimmer.

Paddle Boats: Any combination including 2 white swimmers.

Sail Boats: Only Webelos II Blue swimmers with a lifeguard.

WEBELOS OVERNIGHT PROGRAM:

Webelos II: If your son is a Webelos II, he will have the opportunity to attend an overnight on Day 3. All Webelos II will go "on the hill" at 2pm and participate in Action Archery and Nature. They will then stay up there for a foil dinner and participate in an evening program designed especially for Webelos II. They will then sleep under the stars or in lean-tos and return the next morning for breakfast.

Webelos I: If your son is a Webelos I, he will also attend an overnight on Day 3. They will leave after dinner and sleep out under the stars or at the Boss Lean-to right in the main camp. The nice thing about this overnighter is they have the chance to return to camp for the night if they wish, although we encourage them to sleep out under the stars or in tarp lean-tos they will construct.

Warm clothing, good footwear, a sleeping bag, and a garbage bag to put everything in are encouraged for these outings. If you have an extra tarp to send, please do. The camp provides tarps but extras are always welcomed.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CAMP HEALTH SERVICES:

New York State law and BSA policy requires the official BSA medical/ health history & Over the Counter Medication (OTC) forms are on file with the Camp Health Officer during camp participation. Official BSA forms are available from the GNFC, and require Physician and parent signatures. If the OTC form does not have a physician's signature the Camp Health Officer cannot administer any OTC medication.

All Medical & OTC forms must be submitted at the June Leaders' meeting. (Please see your leader about this)

It is preferred that the physical examination for cub scouts and adults under 40 years old be made within 3 months of coming to camp, but within the last 36 months is acceptable. The medical forms must be updated and signed by a parent or guardian yearly. Upon arrival at camp, a medical recheck will be made. Any Cub Scout not having a completed and signed medical form will be UNABLE to participate in any activities in camp. He must have a completed health form within 24 hours of arrival.

All leaders aged 40 and over must have had a physical examination within the last 12 months upon arrival at camp.

A Health Officer is present in camp at all times and a local doctor is on call for emergencies. All first aid treatment will be given and recorded at the health lodge. Serious cases are sent to Local hospitals. All injuries must be reported to the health officer. All prescribed medications are to be dispensed by the Health Officer.

If anyone goes to the hospital by ambulance or by car his medical form and hospital packet accompany him. The hospital packet is at the Camp Office and in the Health Lodge. It includes map to the hospital, insurance information, and important phone numbers. This policy applies to campers, leaders, and staff.

PRESCRIPTIONS:

All medicines should be in their original containers and have their original labels. All medications must be given to the Health Officer at Check In. Leaders and campers must report to the Health Lodge at the proper times to receive their medication(s). The only exception to this rule is in the case where physicians' orders require emergency medication to be kept on the person at all times. (i.e. bee sting kits or rescue inhalers.)

The safety of the Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts is always the top priority of the Staff while conducting any activity at camp.

EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Parents are requested to leave notice of their whereabouts with the Cubmaster if they plan to be away from home while their son is at camp. If the parents cannot be reached, it is a wise idea to have **the name and phone number of another person who can be contacted in case of emergency.**

VISITOR MEALS:

Visitors are always welcome at Camp Scouthaven. However, we ask that parents contact their son's Cubmaster or leader prior to coming out to camp. If a visitor wishes to stay for a meal, they must make a reservation at least 24 hours in advance. **All visitors must sign-in at the camp office and sign out upon leaving camp.** Visitor meal charges are to be paid at the camp Trading Post and are as follows: Breakfast \$4.50, Lunch \$5.50, and Dinner \$7.50

FAMILY BBQ:

The last day of each resident camp session is Family Day. Family members and visitors are welcome to join us for our Family BBQ and closing campfire. **Meal tickets must be purchased before dinner on the first day of camp.** They will **NOT** be sold during the session or on the night of the BBQ. **The BBQ cost is \$8.50 per person, under 10 yrs. \$6.50, children under five eat free.** Hot dogs will be available for children under 10 years if requested when ordering BBQ tickets. Tickets may be purchased at the Camp Trading Post. The meal is served at 5:15 PM.

VISITORS IN CAMP:

For liability and safety reasons, all visitors must sign-in (receive a colored bracelet) and sign-out of camp at the Camp Office. When the Camp Office is closed, the Sign In/Out Book will be located on the camp office porch by the mailbox. All visitors and campers are required to wear a colored bracelet at all times while in camp.

CAMP TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

The Camp Scouthaven office phone number is (716) 492-0331. This number is available 24 hours a day. Emergency calls made after 9 PM will be answered by the nurse.

TELEPHONE:

A pay phone is located at the camp office. This pay phone requires a phone card for all calls. (no change accepted) Phone cards are available for purchase at the camp Trading Post. Scouts must have a signed permission slip to use the pay phone to call home. The camp telephone number is 716-492-0331. **ONLY** emergency calls or requests for paid return calls will be accepted on that line. Please allow 30 minutes if you need to have a return call.

MAIL SERVICE:

Daily postal deliveries and collections are made at camp. Mail will be picked up from the mailbox at the camp office at 10 AM each day. It would be very helpful if the Cub Scouts could ask their correspondents to include their Pack number and campsite (if known) in the address. Mail will be delivered to the Pack at Siesta. The correct mailing address for the camp is:

Scout Name
Pack # _____ Campsite # _____
Camp Scouthaven
10784 Rt. 98
Freedom, NY 14065

DUTY TO GOD:

Religious services will be offered on night two of your stay in camp. If a Pack would like information on a specific service (i.e. Mass, Sunday morning worship etc.) please check at the Camp Office. Remember a Scout is Reverent!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION IF ATTENDING CAMP WITH YOUR SON

RULES AND REGULATIONS

SMOKING:

A Scout camp is hardly the place for a boy to learn to smoke or to further the habit. Pack leaders are not permitted to smoke or use smokeless tobacco in the presence of boys. There are designated areas for those leaders who do smoke.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND ILLEGAL DRUGS:

Alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs are not permitted in camp. Offenders will be removed from camp immediately and authorities will be contacted. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

GENERAL SAFETY:

RUNNING IN CAMP:

All cubs are excited to arrive in camp and just can't wait to see everything all at once. Please remind your cubs to slow down. We don't want anyone hurt before the fun begins. When walking near the roads in camp, please walk in a single file line on the left side at all times.

THROWING STONES:

Due to the serious injury that stone throwing can and has caused, it **will not be tolerated** at camp.

LIQUID FUELS:

Use of propane lanterns and stoves are subject to prior approval. Submit Liquid Fuels Request Form, indicating proof of proper adult LF training.

AEROSOL CANS:

Spray cans of any kind are dangerous and must be left at home. They destroy the ozone layer, are fire hazards, and will neutralize the water repellency of the canvas tents. This includes aerosol insect repellent.

FLAMES IN TENTS:

A Cub Scout flashlight will furnish all of the tent light that is necessary. No open flames are permitted in any tent.

PARKING AND DRIVING:

While in camp, all leaders' vehicles must remain in the parking lot. For the safety of your cubs, only camp vehicles will be allowed to drive past the parking lot. The **5-mph speed limit** will be strictly enforced to protect your campers.

VEHICLE PERMITS:

Because of potential safety hazards, vehicle permits are restricted to Camp Service Vehicles only. Any requests for special dispensation for health or other reasons must be submitted in writing to the Camp Director 2 (two) weeks prior to arrival at camp.