



NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA COUNCIL
**2024 SUMMER
CAMPING GUIDE**



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Cub Scouts



Webelos & AOLs



Scouts BSA



Older Scouts & Venturers

CUB SCOUT SUMMER CAMP

for Rising Tigers thru Webelos/AOLs

Get outdoors and experience Cub Scout in action with awesome activities. Check out our local summer camps for Cub Scouts!



DAY CAMP

Conducted by volunteers from the local area, each district's day camps offer a variety of different activities to allow campers to experience outdoor programming around the camp's theme! Most camp's activities include STEM, nature, shooting sports, and possibly aquatics.



See page 6 for more info!

CAMP SNYDER

Engage your imagination with the Fort, the Ship, and our 2024 theme! Choose a camp format that suits you: Day Camp or Resident Weekend.

See page 8 for more info!



CAMP ROSS

at Goshen Scout Reservation

Camp Ross is Goshen's dedicated Webelos camp. Join us any week of the summer!



See page 11 for more info!

SCOUTS BSA SUMMER CAMP

For all Scouts, ages 11 to 17



What outdoor adventures do you have planned for this summer? Check out our Scouts BSA Camps!

CAMPS BOWMAN, MARRIOTT, & OLMSTED

at Goshen Scout Reservation

We have three camps to choose from - program oriented Olmsted, traditional Bowman, and our specialty camp, Marriott. There are programs for new Scouts, older Scouts, and all the Scouts in between.

See page 10 for more info!



PROVISIONAL CAMP

at Goshen Scout Reservation

Can't make it to camp with your unit? Go to camp on your own or with a group of your friends!

See page 18 for more info!

SCOUT SPECIALTY WEEKS

at Camp Snyder

Attend as a day or overnight camper and get chance to earn standard and specialized merit badges at some of the unique facilities, like the Woodshop.

See page 9 for more info!



CAMP CATOCTIN BSA

Our entirely volunteer-run resident camp operates for one week a year in the Francis Scott Key District. In addition to standard camp program, we excel in offering unusual merit badge programs with our experienced subject matter experts.

See page 20 for more info!

OLDER SCOUTS & VENTURERS

Ready for something more? Check out our opportunities for older Scouts and Venturers!



LENHOK'SIN HIGH ADVENTURE

at Goshen Scout Reservation

For ages 13 to 21

Hit the Trail - whether by foot or by boat - at our local High Adventure base. Backpack the trails of Goshen, visit the peaks, and stop by our outposts for a variety of adventure activities. Or paddle down the James River on our Canoe Trek.

See page 17 for more info!

GOAT

at Goshen Scout Reservation

For ages 14 to 21

Join the Goshen Order of the Arrow Trail (GOAT) crew for a two week program for Order of the Arrow youth hosted at Lenhok'sin High Adventure.

See page 17 for more info!



HIGH ADVENTURE BASE TRIPS

NCAC Council Contingents

Ages 14 to 21 (13 with criteria)

Take the trip of a lifetime with the NCAC High Adventure Committee's trips to the National High Bases of Philmont, Seabase, and Northern Tier. The logistics are planned so you can focus on the fun!

See page 21 for more info!

CAMP STAFF

Ages 14 and up

Be on the camp staff at your favorite camp for the summer!

See page 22 for more info!



DAY CAMP & TWILIGHT CAMP

www.gotodaycamp.org

About Day Camp

In 2024, the National Capital Area Council will be hosting at least 15 different weeklong day camp and twilight camp experiences. These programs are open to all Cub Scouts who have graduated from Kindergarten. These camps will offer an unforgettable outdoor experience with activities ranging from shooting sports to science. Scouts shoot BB guns and bows and arrows; work on badges and adventure loops; sing songs; learn about nature; make crafts; play games; and much more!

If you have not had a chance to attend in years past, you should put this on your summer calendar today! Going to camp is a wonderful part of the Cub Scouting experience, and it can help your pack earn Scouting's Journey to Excellence and Summertime Pack Award.



For a complete list of camps and locations, please visit:

GoToDayCamp.org

Registration will start opening in December 2023.

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE OFFERED AT CAMP?

Each specific camp offers their own mix of program opportunities, but most camps offer a combination of BB gun shooting, archery, sling shots, arts and crafts, nature, field sports, fishing, and aquatics.

WHAT IS THE DAILY SCHEDULE?

Each camp sets their own hours, but most day camps run from 8 or 9am through 3 or 4pm. Twilight camps usually run from around 6pm to 9pm.

WHAT IS REQUIRED OF THE PACK?

The Pack must provide leadership and adult supervision for their Scouts who attend camp, plus provide for transportation to and from each camp. Every pack must have at least one registered adult leader attend camp for every five Cub Scouts. Additionally, every Tiger Cub (rising 1st grader) must be accompanied by their Tiger Partner.

WHAT ADDITIONAL PAPERWORK IS NEEDED?

Everyone attending camp must complete parts A and B of the Annual Health and Medical Record. Each Scout must also have an additional release form filled with their specific camp. For more information on the registration process, please visit: GoToDayCamp.org.

WHAT MAKES THESE CAMPS DIFFERENT THAN OTHER SUMMER CAMPS IN THE AREA?

The program of each of these summer camps is designed with the Scout Oath and Law in mind. Every exercise that your Scout participates in is created to emphasize reverence, citizenship, and fitness. These camps will also allow your Scouts to get a head start on earning their next rank badge by completing different adventures before the school year even starts.

JUNGLE ADVENTURE

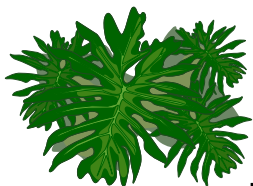
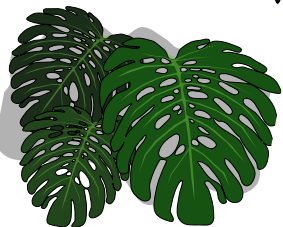
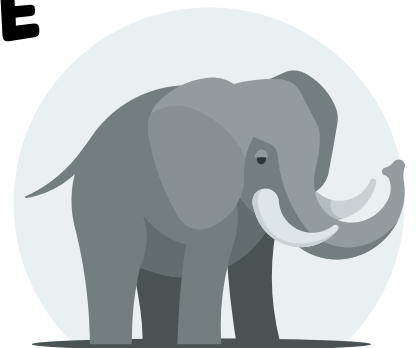
2024 Day Camp Theme

The NCAC Day Camp team is excited to announce that this year's Day Camp theme will be "Jungle Adventure". Each camp will incorporate this theme into their programming in unique ways. Get ready for a roaring good time as you explore the fun and excitement of Day Camp!

If you are interested in helping out the staff or if you have any questions or comments about any of the Cub Scout camps located around the Washington Metropolitan Area this summer, please do not hesitate to reach out to our Council Day Camp Coordinators!



**IT'S GOING TO BE
A WILD TIME!**



CAMP SNYDER

www.gotosnyder.org



About Camp Snyder

Camp William B. Snyder summer programs offer fun projects and activities and advancement opportunities for all Cub Scouts, rising Tigers through rising Arrow of Lights.

Camp Snyder also offers two weeks of programming for Scouts BSA campers at the end of the summer.



Quick Camp Facts

Dining Method

Dining Hall

Camp Length

- Day Camp
 - 5 days
 - Monday thru Friday
- Resident Weekends
 - 3 days
 - Thursday evening thru Sunday AM
- Scout Specialty Week
 - 6 days
 - Sunday PM thru Saturday AM

What is required of the Pack?

All Cub Scouts attending summer programs at Camp Snyder must be chaperoned by either their own adult family member or a leadership team from their Pack.

Which camp format best fits your Cub Scouts?

Camp Snyder has a variety of different camp formats. Check out the descriptions on the next page to find the format that works best for your Scouts and families!

Camp Activities

- Swimming (Pool)
- Boating (Lake)
- Crafts
- Archery
- BB's
- Nature
- Woodshop
- Gaga Ball
- Campfire
- New Theme Activities

2024 Summer Theme: Superheroes

Are you ready to save the day? Find your superpower this summer!

Resident Weekend Quick Facts

- Any unit registration for Resident Weekend sessions will be eligible for 2 free adults!
- Thursday arrival lets you and your unit make the most of your Friday at camp.



Day Camp

Day Camp is a great way for all Cubs from rising Tigers through rising AOLs and their families to experience Camp Snyder without the overnight component.

Session I: June 24 - 28, 2024
Session II: July 8 - 12, 2024

Early Bird Youth: \$250
Early Bird Adult: \$55

Weekend Resident Camp is your bite sized introduction to a Scout summer camp program. All registered Cubs - rising Tigers to AOLs - with their adult leaders and parents experience a full day into night program. The program at each camp includes opportunities for Cubs to earn Adventures and participate in many just for fun activities.

Session I: Jun 20 - 23, 2024
Session II: June 27 - 30, 2024
Session III: July 11 - 14, 2024

Early Bird Youth: \$260
Early Bird Adult: \$90

Resident Weekends

Family 4th

A special holiday camp opportunity for families!
July 5 - 7, 2024

Early Bird Youth: \$130
Early Bird Adult: \$45



SCOUT SPECIALTY WEEKS



Join us at Camp Snyder for our fourth year of Scouts BSA programs! Our Scouts BSA weeks offer a variety of standard camp badges along with specialty merit badges taught by our Camp Snyder staff and a bevy of adult volunteers, including special offerings at the STEM Shack and Michael's Woodshop.

Who is it for?

Individual Scouts BSA (ages 11 - 17)

When is it?

Session I: July 14 - 20, 2024
Session II: July 21 - 27, 2024

Attendance Options

Campers can attend as either a resident camper or a day camper. Resident campers not only attend merit badge sessions, but also enjoy a series of fun evening activities.

Early Bird Resident Youth: \$470
Early Bird Day Youth: \$370

For New Scouts

Be sure to check out the Green Bar Bill program during Session I for rank advancement opportunities!

Calling Adult Volunteers!

We are looking for adult volunteers to teach Merit Badges and/or be a Provisional ASM.

GOSHEN SCOUT RESERVATION

www.gotogoshen.org



Goshen Scout Reservation is located in the Blue Ridge Mountains of southwestern Virginia, amongst 35,000 acres of National Forest and State Wildlife Lands. It is home to five separate camps positioned around the beautiful 450-acre Lake Merriweather.

Goshen Scout Reservation Camps

- 1 Resident Webelos Camp: Camp Ross
- 3 Resident Scouts BSA Camps: Camp Olmsted, Camp Bowman, & Camp Marriott
- Lenhok'sin High Adventure

2024 Dates

Week 1	June 23 - June 29, 2024
Week 2	June 30 - July 6, 2024
Week 3	July 7 - July 13, 2024
Week 4	July 14 - July 20, 2024
Week 5	July 21 - July 27, 2024
Week 6 (Camp Ross only)	July 28 - August 3, 2024

2024 Fees

	Price per Camper	If paid by...
Early Discount Price	Youth: \$475 Adult: \$230*	April 12
Regular Price	Youth: \$505 Adult: \$270*	After April 12

*All units will receive 2 free adult leaders per unit

CAMP ROSS

www.gotogoshen.org/ross

About Camp Ross

Camp Ross is one of the only weeklong overnight camping programs for rising Webelos and rising Arrow of Light (AOL) Scouts. With the goal to give Scouts a great week and an introduction to Scouting, Camp Ross serves as a stepping stone into the Scouts BSA program and future Scouting experiences. We offer an array of Webelos and AOL Adventures interspersed with outdoor activity to help rising Webelos and rising AOLs become well-rounded.



Packs eat in a dining hall that serves hot and fresh meals every day. Our campsites are equipped with canvas platform tents with two army style cots inside and a dining fly.



What is required of the Pack?

Webelos attend Camp Ross as a Pack with a minimum of 2 adult leaders and 1 leader for every 4 youth.

Camp Activities

- Aquatics - swimming, boating, and the trampoline
- Archery
- BB's
- Handicraft - tie dye and other crafts, including a theme craft
- Nature
- Scoutcraft
- Quest - AOL specific programs

Phoenix Nest

Phoenix Nest is Camp Ross's program for small groups with only 1 adult leader (21+) and up to 4 youth. Participants will be grouped with others in the program to form one "Pack" for the week. The Pack will do activities together, share a campsite, and eat together in the dining hall. Offered all weeks.

2024 Summer Theme: Indiana Ross

Get ready for a week full of treasure maps and treasure hunting. Dodge traps, find clues, and fool the bad guys! Grab your hat and bullwhip and get ready to set off for the adventure of a summer!

Quick Camp Facts

Dining Method

Dining Hall

Week Length

6 days

Sunday to Saturday

AOL Program

Quest



Camp Post
Admin, Health Lodge

Camp Olmsted
Scouts BSA

Camp Bowman
Scouts BSA



Goshen Scout

Viewing Rock Hike

Viewing Rock is a popular hiking destination for Scouts and Webelos on the extensive Goshen Scout Reservation trail network. Although a moderately strenuous hike, the iconic panoramic vista from Viewing Rock provides an unmatched view of all 6 camps around Lake Merriweather.

Lenhok'sin High Adventure

Trek Base Camp

Camp Ross

Webelos

Camp Marriott

Scouts BSA

Scout Reservation

CAMP OLMSTED

www.gotogoshen.org/olmsted

About Camp Olmsted

Camp Olmsted is the Scouts BSA dining hall camp and the largest camp at Goshen Scout Reservation. In addition to fundamental summer camp badges, such as Wilderness Survival, Swimming, and Rifle Shooting, Camp Olmsted is a center for STEM, hosting the Tech Center where technology related merit badges and programs are taught.

Most Scouts stay in a campsite accommodated with platform tents, cots, a communal canvas rain fly and picnic table, and a communal latrine with individual stalls. A couple sites have 8 person adirondacks available.



Quick Camp Facts

Dining Method

Dining Hall

Week Length

6 days

Sunday to Saturday

New Scout Program

Trailshead

Older Scout Program

Goshen Vets

Program-Oriented

Camp Olmsted is Goshen's program-oriented camp. Our only Scouts BSA Camp with a dining hall also features a wide of merit badges and activities, with over 60 different options to choose from.

Tech Center

Spend a block in the Booz Allen Hamilton Technology Center and immerse yourself in a STEM badge, whether you choose Robotics, Programming, or another merit badge.

Trailshead

This program is designed for the Scout who has recently joined Scouting and not completed many of the Tenderfoot through First Class advancement requirements. Scouts should sign up for an afternoon or morning advancement session and can then sign up for merit badges of their choice for the rest of the time.

Troop Opportunities

Troop programs include activities such as Troop shoots at Rifle or Archery, Pirate's Breakfast, swimming, boating, volleyball, Gaga ball, hikes to the Swimming Hole, and more. Be sure not to miss our Friday Olmsted Olympics!



CAMP BOWMAN

www.gotogoshen.org/bowman

About Camp Bowman

Solely a patrol cooking camp, participants utilize the patrol method in their campsites as they apply their new and developing Scout skills with their patrol to prepare, cook, and clean up after meals supplied by the camp commissary. By working together to cook each meal and care for the campsite, Camp Bowman units see growth in Scout independence and teamwork.



Units stay in a campsite accommodated with platform tents, cots, a dining and cooking area, and a leader site.



Traditional Scout Camp

Camp Bowman is Goshen's traditional camp. The program is well-rounded, with time not just for Merit Badges, but also time for campers in their units, using the Patrol Method to further develop their leadership and teamwork through practicing both life and Scout skills.

Older Scout Opportunities

Bowman is the home for the Goshen Vets program. Bowman also offers a number of older Scout badges, including Water Sports and Motorboating.

Bowman Brigade

In this program, Bowman Brigade staff teach skills needed to meet Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class requirements. They also offer opportunities to accomplish some of those more difficult requirements, like the 5 Mile Hike, with a hike to Viewing Rock. When not working on advancement, Scouts take their choice of merit badges.

Troop Opportunities

Troop & Crew Rifle and Archery Shoots, Pirate's Breakfast, and Polar Bear Swim are all available at Camp Bowman to supplement merit badge program.

Quick Camp Facts

Dining Method

Patrol Cooking

Week Length

6 days

Sunday to Saturday

New Scout Program

Bowman Brigade

Older Scout Program

Goshen Vets



CAMP MARRIOTT

www.gotogoshen.org/marriott

About Camp Marriott

Scouts at Camp Marriott will enjoy program including a variety of summer camp favorites in addition to vocational and trade skills and Eagle-required options. Come with your unit for the regular camp experience or on your own as part of the Provisional Camp program.



Units stay in a campsite accommodated with platform tents, cots, a dining and cooking area, and a leader site. Camp Marriott offers patrol cooking along with heater stack dining options. Both dining options are picked up from the Commissary. Patrols from Patrol Cooking units pick up ingredients to prepare their meals while patrols from Heater Stack units pick up prepared meals to eat with the rest of their patrol in their campsite.



Quick Camp Facts

Dining Method

Patrol Cooking & Heater Stack options

Week Length

6 days
Sunday to Saturday

New Scout Program

New Scout Quest

Older Scout Program

Goshen Vets

Programs Unique to Marriott

Looking for a variety of exciting programs? Check out Marriott. In addition to the standard Scouts BSA program, we also offer specialized program areas.

The Guild

One of our coolest program areas features trade crafts like Welding, Automotive Maintenance, Cooking, Woodwork, and Metalworking.

Eagle's Eyrie

Featuring a number of Eagle-required merit badges, Eagle's Eyrie is a hub for Eagle advancement. Add Eagle's Eyrie badges to your schedule to explore citizenship, learn about finances, and work toward Eagle while you enjoy the beautiful outdoors and the fun activities, elective badges, and programs around camp.

New Scout Quest (NSQ)

NSQ serves as an introduction to Scouts BSA, Scout Camp, and Scouting skills. Half the day is spent working on advancement requirements and the other half allows Scouts to take merit badges of their choice and enjoy fun activities.

Provisional Camp

You don't need adults to come to camp! Attend as an individual as part of the Provisional Camp program. See page 18 for more details.

Troop Opportunities

Pirate's Breakfast and Polar Bear swim are among the most popular of a number of opportunities.



LENHOK'SIN HIGH ADVENTURE

www.gotogoshen.org/lenhoksin

About Lenhok'sin High Adventure

Lenhok'sin High Adventure is Goshen Scout Reservation's nationally accredited high adventure program. The program offers older Scouts, Venturers, and their adult leaders exciting high adventure opportunities they will enjoy and remember forever. Trek experiences can be customized to be a pinnacle high adventure experience or serve as preparation for units who aspire to attend a National High Adventure Base, such as Philmont or Northern Tier, in the future. Campers must be 13 years old by September 1 of the year of participation.



Lenhok'sin offers two types of high adventure opportunities - backpacking with adventure activities and river canoeing.



Lenhok'sin Trail Trek

Our primary program is our backpacking trek. Choose from a selection of outposts and scenic views to create your very own trek. Spend four nights on the trail and have a chance to earn awards, including the challenging Moore Peaks Award. As a customizable trek, crews can request up to four outposts based on their interests. The staff will help the crew plan their route to match the crew's ability and goals for the trek.

James River Canoe Trek

Looking for something with more water? Paddle 63 miles of the historic Upper James River while you experience Class I and II rapids and the infamous Balcony Falls.

Provisional Treks

The standard treks are meant for units - youth and adults. For individual Scouts and Venturers ages 13+, the NCAC High Adventure Committee offers opportunities for either a Trail Trek or for a River Trek. Each is offered for one week only.

GOAT

The Goshen Order of the Arrow Trail crew is a specialty two week long program for Order youth that are at least 14 years old. The first week focuses on continuing to maintain and improve the Lenhok'sin trail system at Goshen, including training and practical application. The second week is a weeklong backpacking trek, designed by the participants.

Trail Trek Outposts

- Caving
- COPE High Elements
- Foxfire - 1910s Appalachian forge
- Aquatics - Kayaking and Stand-Up Paddleboarding
- Mountain Man - 1800s fur trapper with black powder shooting
- Primitive - minimal program, more wilderness with a chance to explore the forest and hike to one of the 4 prominent peaks
- Wood's Edge - Medieval homestead with walking archery course

Quick Camp Facts

Dining Method
Trail Meals

Week Length
6 days
Sunday to Saturday



SPECIALTY PROGRAMS

www.gotogoshen.org



Summer camp on your own or with your friends: no adults or unit required!

Scouts are grouped together in a Provisional Unit and have the opportunity to experience all the activities the camp has to offer. Leadership is provided by the camp and is a combination of trained adults and youth camp staff members whose main purpose is to ensure a safe, exciting, and fun week at camp.

Participants must be registered in Scouts BSA or Venturing BSA. There is no minimum age requirement. Provisional Camp is open to boys and girls and is available all five weeks at Camp Marriott.

Provisional Camp

For Adults

Goshen offers a number of training opportunities for adults, whether that is Safety Afloat in preparation for Pirate's Breakfast, American Red Cross CPR training, or IOLS and other trainings provided by our NCAC Training Committee.

In addition to advanced Merit Badges, we also offer advanced programs for Older Scouts at Camps Olmsted, Bowman, and Marriott.

About Goshen Vets

Goshen's Older Scout Program allows Scouts to create their own program from a variety of activities, including canoe races, day hikes, a chili cook off, and visits to Lenhok'sin outposts. Vets is recommended for Scouts ages 14 and up.

About the ATV Program

Come ride All Terrain Vehicles this summer at Goshen! Our week-long, half-day program is for a select number of campers, ages 16 and up, and is open to all experience levels. After completing safety training and instruction, riders will spend the rest of the week riding a circuit track, mud pits, and 25 miles of trails.

About COPE & Climbing

In the Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience (COPE) program, Scouts participate in initiative games, team building exercises, and a series of low and high elements, including a zip line and giant swing. COPE is recommended for ages 14 and up. Climbing Merit Badge is recommended for ages 13 and up.

For Older Scouts



MERIT BADGES

	Bowman	Marriott	Olmsted		Bowman	Marriott	Olmsted
American Cultures		X		Metalwork		X	
American Heritage		X		Mining in Society		X	X
Animal Science			X	Model Design & Building			X
Animation			X	Motorboating	X		
Archaeology		X		Moviemaking		X	X
Archery	X	X	X	Music		X	
Architecture	X		X	Nature		X	X
Art		X	X	Nuclear Science		X	X
Astronomy	X	X	X	Oceanography	X	X	X
Automotive Maintenance		X		Orienteering	X	X	X
Aviation			X	Personal Management		X	
Basketry	X	X	X	Photography	X	X	X
Bird Study	X	X	X	Pioneering	X	X	
Camping	X	X	X	Plumbing		X	
Canoeing	X	X	X	Pottery		X	
Chemistry	X	X	X	Programming			X
Chess	X	X	X	Public Speaking	X	X	X
Citizenship in the Nation	X	X	X	Pulp & Paper		X	
Citizenship in the World	X	X	X	Radio		X	
Climbing	X	X	X	Reptile & Amphibian Study			X
Collections			X	Rifle Shooting	X	X	X
Communication	X	X	X	Robotics			X
Composite Materials		X		Safety		X	
Cooking	X	X		Rowing	X	X	X
Crime Prevention			X	Salesmanship		X	
Dentistry			X	Sculpture	X		X
Digital Technology			X	Search & Rescue		X	X
Electricity		X		Shotgun Shooting	X	X	X
Electronics		X		Signs, Signals, & Codes		X	
Emergency Preparedness	X	X	X	Small Boat Sailing	X	X	X
Energy		X		Soil & Water Conservation	X		
Engineering	X	X	X	Space Exploration	X	X	X
Entrepreneurship	X	X	X	Sports			X
Environmental Science	X	X	X	Swimming	X	X	X
Exploration		X	X	Theater	X		
Fingerprinting		X	X	Traffic Safety		X	
Fire Safety		X		Water Sports	X	X	
First Aid	X	X	X	Weather	X	X	X
Fish & Wildlife Management		X	X	Welding	X	X	
Fishing	X	X	X	Wilderness Survival	X	X	X
Forestry	X	X	X	Wood Carving	X	X	X
Game Design	X	X	X	Woodwork		X	
Geocaching		X					
Geology	X	X	X				
Inventing	X		X				
Journalism			X				
Kayaking	X	X	X				
Law		X					
Leatherwork	X	X	X				
Lifesaving	X	X	X				
Mammal Study	X	X	X				

***Minimum age Requirements/Recommendations apply.**

Merit Badges are subject to review and change.

Special Programs

	Bowman	Marriott	Olmsted
ATV*	X	X	X
COPE*	X	X	X
Free Swim & Open Boating	X	X	X
Instructional Swim	X	X	X
Mile Swim Award/Training	X	X	X
Open Shoot	X	X	X
Vets (Older Scout Program)	X	X	X
New Scout Program (various names)	X	X	X

CAMP CATOCTIN BSA

www.campcatoctinbsa.org

About Camp Catoctin BSA

Located right in Thurmont, MD, Camp Catoctin BSA is an all-volunteer camp that runs for one week each year. Scouts attend with their units for a week-long camping experience. Campers sleep in cabins with units and eat meals in a dining hall.

The program is ideal for all Scouts, ages 11-17, and is open to both Scouts BSA and Venturers. Most campers attend in units, but provisional (individual) Scouts are welcome.



Quick Camp Facts

Dining Method

Dining Hall

Week Length

7 days
Sunday to Saturday

New Scout Program

Acorn

Where

Catoctin Mountain Park,
Thurmont, MD

Dates

August 11 - 17, 2024

Cost

\$395 Scout, \$200 Leader

Why Camp Catoctin BSA?

Close out the summer with a bang! Camp Catoctin BSA offers more than 40 merit badges to choose from, including many not offered at traditional Scout camps.

Whether you're looking for natural face rock climbing, sailing around the lake, taking a stab at hatchet throwing, building a survival shelter, or learning to make gourmet meals in the woods we've got it.

New Scout Program

Our Acorn program is designed to guide youth through the advancement process and teach all the necessary skills for the new Scout. Our small staff ratios allow our Acorn staff to get to know your youth and spend the extra time to ensure they succeed.

Older Scouts

Looking for something new and different? Climb on over to our climbing program where you'll have the opportunity to climb and rappel natural rock faces. Bear Grylls your inspiration? Wilderness survival will give you the opportunity to practice those firestarting skills and learn to build a shelter.

Not Just for Youth!

Don't just let your Scouts have the fun. Join our daily CampTalks geared for Scouters on various topics ranging from how to teach (EDGE Method) to Scouting history.

Join Staff

Fifteen or older and looking for a different kind of camping experience? Be a part of our amazing all-volunteer Camp Catoctin BSA staff!



HIGH ADVENTURE TRIPS

www.ncacbsa.org/highadventure

NCAC receives an allocation of trips to National High Adventure Bases as a Council each year. These trips are easier to obtain and logistics are managed by the NCAC High Adventure Committee. This makes them ideally suited for new units or those with minimal High Adventure experience.

Minimum age for a National High Adventure Base is 14 years old, or 13 years old and having completed the 8th grade. Opportunities are available for both units and provisional (individual) Scouts and Venturers.



THESE ARE THE TRIPS OF A LIFETIME!



Philmont Scout Ranch: Backpacking in Cimarron, New Mexico **12-day trek with July dates. estimated \$2795**

The most famous High Adventure location, Philmont presents the ultimate backpacking challenge. Twelve-day treks selected from over 25 possible itineraries with elevations from 6,500 to 12,441 feet. Recommended for older Scouts capable of handling the mental and physical challenges of backpacking at an altitude.

Florida Sea Base: Coral Reef Sailing in the Florida Keys

7-day Coral Reef Sailing Adventures with late July date. estimated \$2095

Florida Sea Base offers 12 fantastic aquatic adventures including out-island, coral reef sailing, SCUBA, Sea Exploring, and Bahamas. The swimming, sailing, snorkeling, fishing, and SCUBA diving activities offer completely different challenges from the other High Adventure bases.



Northern Tier: Wilderness Canoeing in Minnesota and Canada **10-day wilderness paddles with late July date. estimated \$2095**

No roads. No resupply. Just you and your Scouting skills. 10-night treks exploring over 6 million acres of premier canoe wilderness in North America. Treks start in Ely (MN), Atikokan (ON), or Bissett (MB). Suitable for older Scouts ready for the challenges of pristine canoe country!

Lenhok'sin High Adventure (local): Lenhok'sin James River Canoe Trek

6-day whitewater canoeing with a July date. Standard Goshen prices.

Our local High Adventure base has plenty of adventure! This crew is for individual Venturers and Scouts ages 13 and up. For more information on Lenhok'sin, please see page 17.



Visit our webpage and apply for a 2024 trip!

ALSO SEE OUR WEBPAGE FOR OTHER HIGH ADVENTURE RESOURCES INCLUDING:

- Trek promotion, training, training materials, and trip planning advice.
 - Hands-on training in March for Philmont and Northern Tier.
 - Listing of local Wilderness First Aid classes.
- A vacancies list for sharing and advertising crew openings.



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General Information

Every year, Camp Snyder and the six camps of Goshen Scout Reservation employ close to 300 highly motivated individuals to participate in the experience of a lifetime.

Goshen is comprised of one Webelos Resident Camp (Camp Ross), three Scouts BSA Resident Camps (Camps Bowman, Marriott, and Olmsted), Lenhok'sin High Adventure, and the administrative Camp Post. Camp Snyder primarily offers day and overnight programs for Cub Scouts, Tigers through Webelos, with one week of program for Scouts BSA.

For most positions, the primary focus is delivering program to youth and adult participants, whether in a program area or a wilderness outpost. Other responsibilities include general duties based on the operations of camp.

Job Requirements

We are seeking enthusiastic people who enjoy the outdoors. Prior experience with the Boy Scouts of America is not required.

Applicants must be 15 years of age or older to work at Camp Snyder, Camp Ross, and the Scouts BSA Resident Camps and 16 years of age or older to work at Lenhok'sin High Adventure. We are also seeking those 18 years or older for leadership and other positions.

Are you 14 years of age? Be a Counselor-in-Training at Snyder, Ross, or one of the three Scouts BSA camps.

Employment dates are from June 15 to July 30, 2024 for most Goshen Camps and June 15 to August 2, 2024 for Camp Snyder.

Interviews begin in January 2024.

Apply by January 19 to get a January interview slot!

Learn more and apply!

Goshen Camps
www.gotogoshen.org/staff

Camp Snyder
www.gotosnyder.org/work

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

My fellow Scouts and Scouters,

Attending Scout Camp can be a life changing experience. It is a place to make lasting memories and friends, for furthering Scout Skills, and for trying new things. This past summer, many of the Scouts who attended NCAC Summer Camps had the opportunity to try new and unfamiliar things for the first time. They may have slept in a tent away from home, swam in a lake, participated in a rain gutter regatta, earned a merit badge, or hiked to the top of a mountain – all for the first time.

Scout Camps create an environment where Scouts can be creative and productive, build social and teamwork skills, and become independent. Scout Camps also offer unique community environments – creating spaces where Scouts from across the country can come together outdoors. Scout Camps also provide opportunities for Scouts to set and overcome challenges, and can often lead to future careers.

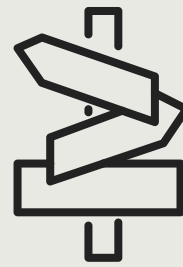
This year, as you look forward to your next summer adventure, I challenge you to try new and unfamiliar things, no matter how great or small. Each of our Council Camps acts as a steppingstone to the next great adventure, with experiences for all levels of Scouting. With the aid of this Camping Guide, I encourage you to explore NCAC's summer camping programs and incorporate them into your annual calendar.

Thank you to our incredible camp staff and Scouting volunteers who continue to help create lasting memories for all Scouts. I look forward to seeing you this coming summer!

See you 'round the campfire,



Elisabeth Warren
Goshen Scout Reservation Director



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Haymarket, VA

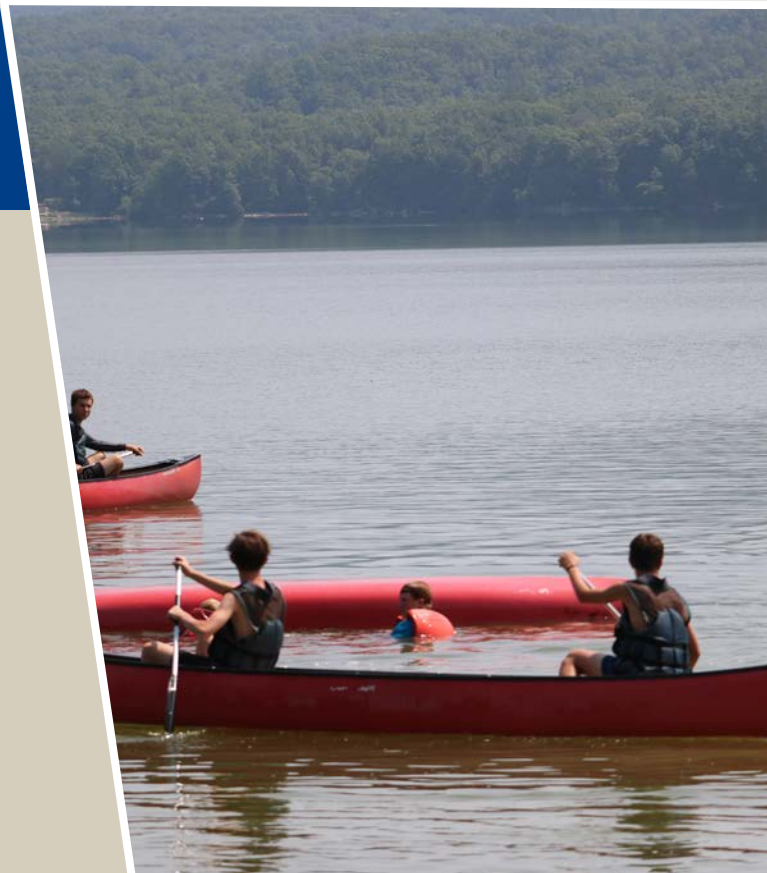
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