

# WOODS OF WEBELOS 2024

May 17 – 19, 2024

Camp Lowden  
Oregon, IL



Please make copies of this packet and distribute to all persons who are interested in attending this event.

Cost for Woods of Webelos is

Register before 4/22/24 for early bird pricing of \$27/youth - \$21/adult  
Registrations after 4/22/24 is \$37/youth - \$31/adult

Registration Deadline = April 29, 2024

All registration must be completed on-line at:  
<https://blackhawkscouting.org>

**WOODS OF WEBELOS CHECKLIST**

- Select two separate coordinators for your Pack: one for 4<sup>th</sup> grade Scouts and one for 5<sup>th</sup> grade Scouts. These two adults must attend Woods of Webelos and will receive the information packets for their age level upon arrival at camp.
- Announce and promote the event to all current Bear and 4<sup>th</sup> grade Webelos Scout dens as soon as possible.
- Make copies of this packet for all participants and distribute them by April 1, 2024 (at the latest).
- A parent/guardian must attend with each Scout. Get commitments as soon as possible.
- Collect registration fees and Health/Medical (Parts A & B) forms for all youth and adults attending Woods of Webelos. Note: The Health/Medical form can be downloaded separately.
- Complete **ONE registration per Pack** no later than April 29, 2024.
- Mail all Health/Medical records to the council office (postmarked no later than April 29, 2024) or take forms to the Crystal Lake Scout office no later than May 1, 2024. Note: no participant will be allowed to attend without a Health/Medical form **turned in at time of registration** (*do not hold them until the event*).
- CARPOOL to Camp Lowden on Friday, arriving no earlier than 6 PM and preferably before 8 PM. Registration will open at 6 PM – no early birds.
- Have a great time at Woods of Webelos!!!

Woods of Webelos Schedule:

Friday: Check-in and set-up. No scheduled activities. Groups are asked to remain in their assigned campsites.

Saturday: Activities are scheduled for the entire day beginning at approx. 8 AM with breaks for lunch and dinner. Evening campfire program ends at approximately 9 PM.

Sunday: No scheduled activities. Pack your belongings, clean up your campsite, and go home. All campers should have left camp by 10 AM.

Note: The Trading Post will be open during lunch and dinner on Saturday. Please bring cash or a check. We cannot accept credit cards.

## RULES FOR WOODS OF WEBELOS 2024

- Carpool – Arrive between 6 and 8 P.M. Friday, May 19, 2024 – no early birds.
- A parent or guardian (over age 18) must always accompany each youth.
- Woods of Webelos is for registered Cub/Webelos Scouts that will be entering 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2024 AND their parent/guardian. No additional siblings may attend.
- Each group should stay in its assigned campsite Friday night.
- Swimming pool will be closed. Paths to the river are “off limits”.
- Remain on the trails due to poison ivy in camp.
- **SHARE** fire bowls, **SHARE** fire pits, **SHARE** picnic tables, etc. Respect the rights of others. Camp will be VERY crowded. You will be sharing your campsite with other Packs.
- B.S.A. policy prohibits smoking in the presence of the youth and on camp property.
- All items carried into campsites must be carried out of campsites – including garbage.
- No unattended or jumbo-sized campfires. Do NOT build fires outside of established fire rings.
- There are very few flush toilets in camp. If any of these are purposely plugged, the doors will be locked, and no one will be able to use them. Sorry – showers will not be available this weekend.
- Each adult should plan on sharing a tent with his/her child.
- The following items are prohibited:
  - Radios, televisions, and other electrical devices (video games, etc.)
  - Two-way radios (Only Camp Staff will be allowed to use these)
  - Alcohol or Illegal Drugs
  - Guns (toy guns or real)
  - Sheath knives
  - Pets
  - T-shirts, caps, or other articles of clothing depicting alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, or vulgar language.
  - Firewood from outside of Camp Lowden.
- Camp will be VERY crowded – please be courteous to others. Plan on sharing your campsite with other packs.
- The camp staff consists of volunteers – we do the best job we can.
- Clean up your campsite on Sunday morning before leaving camp. Remove all trash from campsite. All ash and wood must be out COLD, removed from fire pits, and scattered into the woods.
- Have a wonderful weekend!

## 2024 WOODS OF WEBELOS MENU

Friday night: Bring your own light refreshments. It is best to eat your evening meal before arriving at camp.

Saturday breakfast: Bring your own breakfast. Each group will prepare breakfast in their own campsite.

Saturday lunch: The following items will be provided for each participant: hot dogs and buns, ketchup, mustard, relish, potato chips, apples, and lemonade mix.

Lunch items will be distributed on Saturday prior to lunchtime. Each group is to take the lunch items back to their assigned campsite for preparation. Bring your own cook stove or plan on building a wood fire.

Saturday dinner: The following items will be provided for each participant: ground beef, onions, carrots, potatoes, salt, pepper, cookies, and lemonade mix.

Dinner items will be distributed on Saturday prior to dinnertime. Each group is to take the dinner items back to their assigned campsite for preparation. The items are to be cooked as "foil packs". Directions for foil packs will be provided to you. The foil and charcoal for cooking dinner will also be provided.

Saturday night: Bring your own light refreshments.

Sunday breakfast: Bring your own breakfast or plan on visiting a local restaurant on your way home.

Please note that one of the requirements for the Webelos "Cast Iron Chef" adventure is that each Scout must prepare a meal and clean up afterwards. The Saturday dinner is intended to meet that requirement. The SCOUTS are encouraged to prepare the meal for both themselves and their parents.

The menu items listed above are provided as part of the fee for the weekend. If you would like to bring additional items, please feel free to do so. It is suggested that each pack, as a group, determines what items will be brought in for snacks, breakfast, and extras ahead of time. Occasionally feelings get hurt if one Scout has an item that the others in the group do not. Please note that we cannot accommodate special dietary needs. If the above menu items do not fit into your diet, please bring your own food.

Everything you bring to camp must be carried to the campsites. Vehicles will not be allowed in the campsites. You must also properly dispose of any garbage. Please bring your own garbage bags. There is only one dumpster in camp, so please compact your trash. Also, be sure to consider that there are wild animals in the camp. Any food items brought into camp must be packed properly so that the animals cannot get into them. It is probably best to leave these items in your vehicle until just prior to meal times and returned to your vehicle after the meal. Please remind all Scouts and adults that food items should never be put into a tent. This includes candy and gum. The animals could destroy your tent trying to get at the food.

# PACKING FOR WOODS OF WEBELOS

## THINGS EACH PERSON SHOULD BRING:

- Personal eating utensils (plate, cup, and silverware)
- Personal camping gear (tent, sleeping bag, etc.)
- Change of clothing (at least one extra pair)
- Rain gear (this is extremely important)
- A change of shoes is a good idea (or boots)
- Insect repellent (no aerosol or spray pump)
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Parents of Scouts entering the 5<sup>th</sup> grade should each carry a B.S.A. approved style pocketknife (Scouts are NOT to carry a knife during Woods of Webelos. **Scouts are only to use knives at the knife safety activity and during meal preparation – not at any other time.**)

## THINGS EACH PACK MUST BRING:

- Container for lemonade (5-gallon capacity)
- Dining fly for group (in case of rain)
- Any cooking utensils needed for meal preparation (a pair of tongs for the foil packs is a good idea)
- Garbage bags
- Snacks for Friday and Saturday evening
- Breakfast for Saturday morning
- Toilet paper (none will be provided)
- Pens or pencils
- **Bucket and shovel to use with the campfire (to put out fire and clear fire bowl)**
- Cook stove and cooking pot for Saturday lunch (unless you can come up with another safe way to cook your hot dogs) and your other meals
- It is a good idea to bring “fire starters” for your campfires. Please do not bring any fire starters that will have an “explosive” reaction. These could cause severe injury.
- At least one Webelos book to track what the Scouts have accomplished over the weekend. It is up to the individual packs to determine what requirements/electives the Scouts have completed. Attendance at a session does not mean that a Scout has met any of the book requirements. The final decision is at the discretion of the Scouts’ Webelos Den Leader. ***Woods of Webelos will not provide a list of accomplishments.***

## ITEMS PROHIBITED:

Radios, televisions, and other electrical devices (video games, etc.), alcohol, illegal drugs, guns (toy guns or real guns), sheath knives, pets, any article of clothing depicting alcohol, drugs, tobacco products or vulgar language. **Do not bring your own firewood. Camp Lowden does not allow firewood to be brought into camp due to the possibility of it containing the Emerald Ash Borer insect.** A designated amount of firewood will be available for each campsite as part of the fee. Additional firewood will be available for purchase.

Pack lightly. You must carry in all of your own gear. No transportation will be provided to the campsites. All items should be marked with the participant’s name and pack number.

## **Registration Process:**

- 1) All Registration must be completed online at: <https://blackhawkscouting.org>. Registration deadline is April 29, 2024. Note: Select “calendar” at the top right of the screen then go to May 2024. Be sure that “All Organizations” or “Sycamore” is showing in the drop-down just above the month and that “All Categories” is select in the drop-down next to that. Go to May 17 – 19, 2024 and click on “SYC Woods of Webelos” to open the registration page.
- 2) Payment may be made either on-line or via mail. Please note that a convenience fee of 3% will be added to your total if making payment on-line. Payment may be mailed to the council office (see address below) if postmarked no later than April 29, 2024.
- 3) Mail Health/Medical (Parts A & B) forms to council. All items must be postmarked no later than April 29, 2024. Each participant (adult and youth) must have a Health/Medical form. Note: These forms will NOT be returned to the pack and will be destroyed after the event. Mail all forms to:

Blackhawk Area Council  
Sycamore Woods of Webelos  
2820 McFarland Ave  
Rockford, IL 61107

### **The following information will be needed to complete your registration on-line:**

- 1) Your pack number.
- 2) Name, address, phone, and e-mail for your 4th and 5th grade coordinators (2 separate people) – These people must attend Woods of Webelos.
- 3) Number of 4th grade youth attending
- 4) Number of 5th grade youth attending
- 5) Number of adults attending
- 6) For Scouts, you will need: Youth’s name, name of parent attending event, and phone number
- 7) For adults, you will need: Adult’s name, phone number, and e-mail address.
- 8) Credit card for payment or choose to mail a check (one payment for entire pack).

**When registering youth, be sure to use the grade that they will be attending in the fall of 2024 (not their current grade).**

The following page contains two copies of a “car card”. Please have each driver complete one copy of this form and place in the windshield of his/her car upon arrival at camp. We use this form to notify the driver if there is a problem with their car (ex: flat tire) or in case we need to have a car moved.

Please plan to carpool to Woods of Webelos. The parking lot is not large enough for everyone to drive separately. By carpooling, you will save gas and be able to share stories while driving to and from camp. **Please** carpool.

W.O.W.

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Print Driver's Last Name

Pack # \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one of the following:

4<sup>th</sup>

5<sup>th</sup>

Please display this paper in your windshield on the driver's side. We will contact you if we need your vehicle moved or if there is another problem with your vehicle (such as a flat tire).

W.O.W.

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Print Driver's Last Name

Pack # \_\_\_\_\_

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