**Letter to Parents**

Thank you for registering your scout(s) for this year’s Day Camp. We are working to plan a fun filled week of activities for that your scout(s) will enjoy. Along with your Scout’s registration, you are required to volunteer at least one day during the camp week. Sycamore Day Camp is 100% staffed by volunteers, allowing us to keep costs low. Of course, you may volunteer more than one day and are encouraged do so if possible. Volunteer opportunities include:

* Program Staff (run a station throughout the day)
	+ *First Aid\*\*, Kiddie Korral, Archery\*, BB Guns\*, Crafts, Sports, Nature, Scout Skills, etc.*
* Den Guide (walk with the group and supervise the scouts)

*\*Additional training is required to run an Archery or BB Gun range. \*\*Required daily to keep camp open to scouts.*

Youth Protection Training must be up to date for all adults at camp. Training can be found at [www.my.scouting.org](http://www.my.scouting.org).

**Day Camp Registration Considerations:**

* Day Camp is for **registered** BSAcub scouts only.
* Scout Registration Form (one per scout), Volunteer Registration form (one per volunteer), BSA Health form (one per scout & volunteer) and a payment of $55 will secure your scout’s registration
* Camperships are available for Scouts who need financial assistance. See your Cubmaster or Pack Coordinator for more information. **Campership forms are due to the council by April 1, 2019.**

**Den Guide Considerations:**

* Eat lunch with the scouts in your care, providing supervision at all times.
* Your group will contain scouts from other Packs, not just your own.
* Must bring a cooler/ice chest large enough for ALL scout lunches in your group
* Blanket for sitting on during the lunch hour
* Wet ones/wipes to wash hands; garbage bag for all trash to be taken home and disposed of
* **Complete the Volunteer Selections form along with your scout’s registration**

**Program Staff Considerations:**

* **All programs are planned; materials and training are provided!**
* Schedule of Dates provided below: training is mandatory.
* **Program staff are issued an official t-shirt to be worn only on days when serving as program staff**
* **Complete the Volunteer Selections form along with your scout’s registration**

**Shooting Sports Considerations:**

* Requires additional training; good for two years; anyone over the age of 18 can be trained to run a range.
* This is up to a four-day commitment, to run up to six daily sessions at the same range all week.
* This position fulfills (up to) four days of Program Staff requirements for your pack.

**What should your scout/you bring to camp each day? (LABEL ALL BELONGINGS!):**

* Scouts wear their day camp t-shirt every day, and shoes with socks – NO SANDALS!
* Den Guides wear weather appropriate apparel, with shoes and socks – NO SANDALS!
* Backpack, labeled with name.
* Water bottle or bottled water labeled with name (adults too!).
* Sack lunch (adults too!).
* Rain gear, sunscreen, sweatshirt, hat of some type (depending on weather)
* Insect repellant – NO AEROSOL SPRAYS!

**General Information:**

* Parents arrange transportation with den guides or on your own for drop off/pick up daily
* Inform your Den Guide if your scout will be absent for the day.
* According to Boy Scouts of America policy: Smoking is prohibited in the presence of scouts. This includes Vape and Electronic cigarettes. Alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited.
* **EMERGENCY CANCELLATION:** If camp must be cancelled, your Pack’s “Emergency Contact” from your packs registration papers will be notified as soon as possible, and they’ll notify you!

**2019 Schedule of Dates:**

**General Dates:**

* February 1, 2019: Registration Paperwork Delivered
* April 1, 2019: Camperships Due to Council Office
* May 1, 2019: Packs Units Registration Paperwork Due
* June 17-20, 2019: Wolf Day Camp
* June 24-27, 2019: Bear Day Camp
* July 15-18, 2019: Webelos Day Camp
* July 20, 2019: Tiger Day Camp
* July 22-25, 2019: Arrow of Light Day Camp

**Program Staff Training Dates:** [Click HERE to Sign Up!](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0A4FA8AD23AAF58-program)

* June 3, 2019: Program Staff Training (Monday at 7PM) \*
* June 6, 2019: Program Staff Training (Thursday at 7PM) \*
* June 8, 2019: Program Staff Training (Saturday at 10AM) \*
* June 9, 2019: Program Staff Training (Sunday at 3PM) \*

**\*** *Training is held at the American Community Bank & Trust, 381 S. Main Street, Crystal Lake*

**Den Guide Training Dates:**

* June 15, 2019: McHenry Township Park (Wolf/Bear) at 1PM
* July 13, 2019: McHenry Township Park (Webelos/AOL) at 1PM

**Truck Load/Unload Dates:** [Click HERE to Sign Up!](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0A4FA8AD23AAF58-truck1)

Attendance/Participation in Truck Load/Unload **MANDATORY** to receive Pack deposit checks back.

* June 15, 2019: Truck Load – Crystal Lake office at 10AM
* June 15, 2019: Truck Unload – McHenry Township Park at 11:30AM
* June 27, 2019: Truck Load– McHenry Township Park at 3PM
* June 27, 2019: Truck Unload - Crystal Lake office at 4PM
* July 13, 2019: Truck Load – Crystal Lake office at 10AM
* July 13, 2019: Truck Unload – McHenry Township Park at 11:30AM
* July 25, 2019: Truck Load – McHenry Township Park at 3PM
* July 25, 2019: Truck Unload - Crystal Lake office at 4PM

Thank you,

Sycamore Day Camp Staff

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