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## 2024 Leader's Guide

FOR SUMMER RESIDENT CAMP



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# TRADITIONAL Scouting, IN THE HEART OF California.

Some people might tell you that you should choose Camp Big Horn for its beautiful location in the San Bernardino mountains. Some people might say that you should choose us for our modern facilities. Yet others might tell you to choose us for our program, which is constantly evolving and being updated to teach age-old lessons in our current world, but what we feel is the best reason to choose us is our staff. Our team is comprised of some of the most experienced and capable individuals to be found across the United States. They are knowledgeable, caring, compassionate, and they will make your time with us the best summer camp experience possible.



## WELCOME TO THE RANCH

Camping in the outdoors is the highlight of the troop's annual program, as Scouts apply the skills they have learned and practiced all year long. With weekly hour-long scout meetings, the average troop spends at least fifty two hours participating in Scouting in one year. One week at Camp Big Horn can provide seventy or more concentrated BSA program that will not only bring a troop closer together, but improve the life of each Scout who participates. Summer camp is a years' worth of skill practice and adventure in seven days.

We have all been working hard to bring to you the highest quality summer camp program that we can possibly provide. This Leader's Guide has been created to help ensure that you and your Scouts will "Be Prepared" to make the most out of your week at Camp Big Horn by including schedules, maps, camp rules, packing lists, and other important things. information. The Camp Big Horn staff is here to serve you and your troop!

Scouting is a character development program, whether this is your first time at camp or your 20<sup>th</sup> we hope that you make the absolute most out of your stay here at camp. From Ranger Corps, to C.O.P.E., to our Shooting Sports program there is a place for everyone here at camp. The mission statement of the Boy Scouts of America is "To prepare young people to make moral and ethical decisions over their lifetimes by instilling in them the Scout Oath and the Scout Law." Here at camp, we stand by that mission, Scouting is a place for everyone, and we will be continuing to encompass this throughout our programs at Summer Camp. This is summer alike all the rest will be filled with excitement, Team Building, and fellowship. We hope that you are as excited as myself and the staff are, let's put the "outing" in "Scouting" and make this the best summer yet!

Should you and your unit need anything in the time preparing for camp, please do not hesitate to reach out!

I am incredibly honored to serve as your Camp Director for the 2024 Season and many more to come. Cheers to the memories we are about to make!

Yours In Scouting,



**Landon Burtchell**

Camping Director, Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation  
Greater Los Angeles Scouting





## 2024 Leader's Guide FOR SUMMER RESIDENT CAMP

### *About the Leader's Guide*

This guide is designed to be used by Scoutmasters and Senior Patrol Leaders as they look to learn more about our camp's operations and available programs for the 2024 Camp Big Horn Scouts BSA Summer Resident Camp. This guide is not a final representation of what camping with us may look like during the 2024 Season.

### *Leader's Guide Changes from 2023*

**Updated April 15, 2024**

Changes from last year's Leader's Guide are reflected in the table below. Any changes to previous versions of this year's guide will be highlighted in yellow, and will also be noted below. If you are unsure if you are viewing the most up-to-date guide, please consult with the Camp Big Horn staff.

LEADER'S GUIDE CHANGES FROM 2023	
<i>Change</i>	<i>Description</i>
+	Updated permission forms for the 2024 Season for both Scouts and Adult Leaders
+	Updated Scouts BSA program offerings for the 2024 Season
+	Updated Adult Leader program offerings for the 2024 Season
-	Updated T-Shirt information will be made available in this guide soon, but not yet
-	Updated Merit Badge Prerequisite Form for the 2024 Season will be made available in this guide soon, but not yet

### *Program Changes from 2023*

Here, you'll be able to track the changes we've made to our Scouts BSA and Adult Leader Programs since 2023.

PROGRAM CHANGES FROM 2023	
<i>Change</i>	<i>Description</i>
+/-	We've updated our program schedule to include new merit page programs for all to enjoy

# SOON, BUT NOT YET

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An illustration of a person ziplining. The person is wearing a blue cap, a white shirt, and a dark vest. They are suspended in the air, holding onto the zipline rope with their right hand. The background is a bright blue sky with a few white clouds. To the right, there is a large, textured rock formation in shades of green and brown. The overall style is a soft, painterly illustration.

# AN ADVENTURE TO *celebrate.*

Some of your favorites, like our Dual-Racing Zipline or Canoeing, are coming back to the ranch, but this year we're introducing a whole array of programs to help Scouts find their way into adulthood. The Big Horn Track program is designed to introduce Scouts to skill-specific merit badges, like Health Care Professions and Crime Prevention. However, camp isn't just for the Scouts, it's for the adults as well. We're introducing a whole-new Adult Leader program that not only helps out new leaders, but gives everyone some peace and quiet away from the Scouts.

Start planning your adventure today at [greaterlascouting.org](https://greaterlascouting.org)

# 2024 Payment and Camping Information

CAMP BIG HORN | SCOUTS BSA SUMMER RESIDENT CAMP

## \$725

for Scouts

*Incl. Scouts from in-council and out-of-council units*

## \$395

for Adult Leaders

*All units that sign-up will receive one free adult*

### 2024 CAMPING DATES

**Week 1** June 9-15

**Week 2** June 16-22

**Week 3** June 23-29

**Week 4** June 30 - July 6

**Week 5** July 7-13

**Week 6** July 14-20

**Week 7** July 21-27

**Week 8** July 28 - August 3

**Important** All Changes camper numbers must be submitted in writing by the reservation contact (email, mail or in-person) **to the Greater LA Scouting Camping Department.**

**Important** The Greater Los Angeles Area Council has updated its Cancellation and Payment Policies. You can view these updated policies on page 85 in the Appendix.

### 2024 FEE SCHEDULE

Campsite Deposit

**\$200**

Initial deposit per unit. This deposit is non-refundable, but is applied to your final total.

April 28, 2024

**Scouts \$725 | Adults \$395**

Balance per person do.

Payment methods include cash, check, VISA, MasterCard, or Discover. Checks should be made payable to GLAAC - BSA, and must indicate "Summer Camp Payment for Camp Big Horn Week #" in the memo line. Additionally, your BlackPug reservation number must be written in the comments section of your check. Please mail checks to 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles, CA 90026 with a copy of your statement.

For more information or questions, please don't hesitate to contact Camp Director, **Landon Burtchell** at (213) 264-4039 or [landon.burtchell@scouting.org](mailto:landon.burtchell@scouting.org).

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# GET TO KNOW CAMP BIG HORN

Your week at Camp Big Horn is meant to be one of the most memorable experiences that you and your unit have during the year. It's never easy picking a summer camp to spend a week at. This section is designed to help you and your unit learn more about what to expect from Camp Big Horn.

## → *In This Section*

- Preparing for Camp
- Arriving at Camp
- Campsites at Big Horn
- The Camp Big Horn Experience
- Safety at Camp



# Preparing for Camp

## GET TO KNOW CAMP BIG HORN

There's a lot to do to prepare your unit for a week of camp. We try to make the process as easy as possible. We're always available by email and phone to ensure that you feel that you're ready for your week, but be sure to reference this guide for further guidance.

### *How to Prepare Your Unit*

Camp Big Horn has created a simple checklist for you to use to prepare you for your week with us.

- Please keep all copies of your **unit's receipts and related materials** for your records.
- Distribute the **2024 Campership Application Form** to all interested families. More information about Camperships is available on page 23.
- Be sure you're using the updated **BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (AHMR)** forms. All adults and Scouts attending camp must have completed Parts A, B1, B2, and C before arriving at camp.
- All troops, at all times, must be under the supervision of their own adult leaders. **There must always be at least two adult leaders, ages 21 or older, in camp at all times. All adults must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America and have completed the appropriate Youth Protection Training. Additionally, adult leaders from the State of California must have completed their AB-506 Training and Background Check.** More information about these processes can be found on page 30.
- **Sit down with your Scouts to discuss which merit badges they would like to take while at Camp Big Horn.** All merit badge registration will take place online using BlackPug in 2024. All registered units will receive an email prior to May 1 with instructions on how to register for online merit badges. More information about merit badge registration can be found on page 33.
- Good food is important for Scouts and Adults at camp. **To be prepared, we are asking that you please fill out our Food Allergies and Intolerances Form and upload it to your BlackPug account 30 days before your unit attends camp, in addition to bringing a copy with you to camp. There will be an additional charge for late submissions.** We are a nut free camp, and regularly prepare and serve food that satisfies the nutritional needs of vegetarian diets, dairy-free diets and gluten-free diets. There will be an additional charge for those units who fail to meet their deadline. (Appendix, page 67-68)

- **To make sure that your Scouts receive the best medical supervision possible, we ask that you please fill out our Routine Medication Form.** This information helps our camp medical team in the event of an emergency. (Appendix, page 78)
- The County of San Bernardino requires that all campers and staff complete the San Bernardino County Health Screening Form to ensure that everyone coming into camp is free of communicable diseases. **Please only fill out the top-left portion before coming to camp, our Med-Check team will complete the form upon arrival at camp.** (Appendix, page 72)
- **Scouts that will be participating in our Shooting Sports programs, including Free Time shooting, will need to fill out the California Shooting Sports Parental/Legal Guardian Permission Form.** You will only need to bring one copy of this form with you to camp. This form must also be signed by the Scout's parent or legal guardian. (Appendix, page 79)
- COVID-19 continues to remain a threat to the health and well-being of the general public. **Camp Big Horn requires that all adult leaders camping with us show proof of COVID-19 Vaccination. For those without proof of vaccination, Camp Big Horn requires that you show proof of a negative COVID-19 At-Home PCR Test taken within 72 hours (3 days) of arriving at camp.**
- Start thinking about when you want to attend camp. Camp Big Horn is planning on running eight weeks of program for the 2024 Season. Please make sure you work with adult leaders who are planning on attending camp to ensure that you are maintaining Two-Deep Leadership at all times. If you're having trouble finding adult leaders, you can also read about our Partial Week Adult Program on page 18.

## ***Informational Sessions***

The Camp Big Horn Staff is more than happy to visit your unit meetings, District Roundtables, or any other events put on by your unit, district, or council to help you and your Scouts learn more about camping here at Camp Big Horn.

To schedule a time for us to visit with you and talk about Camp Big Horn, please reach out to us at [landon.burtchell@scouting.org](mailto:landon.burtchell@scouting.org).

## ***Informational Zoom Meetings***

Every month, the Camp Big Horn Staff will invite units attending camp to join us on a Zoom Meeting to discuss how your unit will need to prepare for camp. These are also good opportunities for your unit leadership to ask questions directly to the camp management. Topics of discussion will range from the Speedy Check-In process, to the programs available at camp.

Unit leaders who are listed as the primary contacts in your BlackPug registration will receive these Zoom Meeting invitations.

# Arriving at Camp

## GET TO KNOW CAMP BIG HORN

Your week starts by checking-into camp for the week. Here, you can learn all about our state-of-the-art Speedy Check-In process. You can also learn about how to get up to Cedar Glen, and how our off-Sunday arrivals work.

### **Getting to Camp**

All units checking into camp will be provided an assigned time that they will be scheduled to arrive at Camp Big Horn on the Sunday of their week at camp. Units are advised not to arrive prior to their scheduled time, or in scattered groups. For units that become separated while driving to camp, we recommend staging in the Lake Arrowhead area, including Downtown Cedar Glen and/or the Lake Arrowhead Village.

There are many ways for units to travel to Camp Big Horn. Located in the San Bernardino Mountains, your route will most likely require you to navigate tight roads, sharp turns, and steep inclines before reaching Camp Big Horn's roads.

**Camp Address: 29485 Hook Creek Rd. Cedar Glen, CA 92321**

### **Main Routes**

You can get to camp by accessing highways that connect to either Interstate 15, Interstate 10, or California Route 210. These are most of the accessible routes to get to camp.

**If you are coming South from Barstow or Las Vegas**, use Interstate 15 to connect to one of the following highways that will take you into the San Bernardino Mountains:

- California Route 18 (CA-18) in Victorville
- California Route 138 (CA-138) in Cajon Junction
- Interstate 215 (I-215) in Devore to connect to CA-210 in San Bernardino

**If you are coming East from Los Angeles**, use California Route 210 to connect to one of the following highways that will take you into the San Bernardino Mountains:

- California Route 18 (CA-18) in North San Bernardino (Waterman Ave.)
- California Route 330 (CA-330) in Highland

**If you are coming North from Ontario or San Diego**, use Interstate 15 to connect to one of the following highways that will take you into the San Bernardino Mountains:

- Interstate 10 (I-10) in Ontario to connect to I-215 or CA-210 in San Bernardino
- California Route 210 (CA-210) in Fontana to connect to CA-18 in North San Bernardino, or CA-330 in Highland

If you are coming West from Palm Springs or Phoenix, use Interstate 10 to connect to one of the following highways that will take you into the San Bernardino Mountains:

- California Route 210 in Yucaipa to connect to CA-18 in North San Bernardino, or CA-330 in Highland

## Best Route into Lake Arrowhead

The best route for you into Cedar Glen–Camp Big Horn’s local city—depends on which direction you’re traveling from, and the number/type of vehicles you’re bringing to camp.

All units should be aware that upon arriving in Lake Arrowhead and Cedar Glen, and at Camp Big Horn, roads become narrow and turns become tight/sharp. Turns are often blind, and drivers must make use of posted mirrors to safely navigate these roads. All drivers should exercise caution at all times, regardless of driving experience, and the type of vehicle you are driving.

### California Route 18 – Rim of the World Highway (from N. San Bernardino)

This route is recommended for units that are traveling East, North, or West, but is also available to those traveling South. To access it, connect to CA-210 from I-210, I-15, I-215, or I-10. Then, exit CA-210 at Waterman Avenue (CA-18) in North San Bernardino, and head north to enter Lake Arrowhead.

### California Route 330 (from Highland)

This route is recommended for those who are traveling East, North, or West, but is also available to those traveling South. To access it, connect to CA-210 from I-210, I-15, I-215, or I-10. Then, exit CA-210 at Junction CA-330 in Highland, and head north towards Running Springs and Big Bear. Connect to Rim of the World Highway at the Junction CA-18, and head towards Lake Arrowhead.

### California Route 138 (from Cajon Junction)

This route is recommended for those who are traveling South. To access it, connect to I-15. Then, exit I-15 at Junction CA-138 in Cajon Junction, and head east towards Silverwood Lake. Continue through Silverwood Lake and Crestline, then merge onto Rim of the World Highway (CA-18) towards Lake Arrowhead.

### California Route 18 (from Victorville)

This route is recommended for units that are traveling South. To access it, connect to I-15, then exit at D Street (CA-18/US-66) in Victorville, and turn right at the light to head east towards Apple Valley. At Junction CA-18/CA-247 in Lucerne Valley, keep right onto CA-18 towards Big Bear Lake. Continue on CA-18 until reaching Lake Arrowhead.

## Getting to Camp from Lake Arrowhead

Once you’ve reached Lake Arrowhead, connect to CA-173 East towards Cedar Glen. Continue on until reaching Hook Creek Road, then turn right/left onto it. Hook Creek Road will take you through Downtown Cedar Glen towards Camp Big Horn. Once you see the Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation sign, turn into our front gate, and follow the road and posted signs into camp.



## ***Saturday Arrivals***

Units have the option to arrive to camp early on the Saturday *prior* to their week up at Camp Big Horn. **Units should be aware that there is an additional fee of \$10 per person arriving on Saturday.** Units are required to provide their own food until Sunday Dinner. Aside from the Chapel, Showers, and Restrooms, there are no program areas or facilities available to units that arrive on Saturday. Camp Administration is on site in the case of emergencies only. The Program Office is closed on Saturday afternoons, but please make sure to be in your campsite for your official check-in on Sunday beginning at 1:00pm.

## ***Sunday Arrivals***

**All units will be assigned a time to check-in on Sunday. Units will not be able to check-in until their scheduled time on Sunday, and units should not enter property before their check-in time.** Before departing, be sure that your unit has your Speedy Check-In Binder, your BSA Annual Health and Medical Records (AHMR), your San Bernardino County Health Screening Form, and any medications listed in Part B2 of the BSA AHMR on-hand for easy accessibility when you check-in.

## **Arrival Temperature Screening**

Upon arriving, your unit will be escorted to the Camp Pollock Parking area, where you will undergo your initial temperature screening. All campers and drivers are not permitted to leave the vehicle until all passengers have been cleared of having a temperature below 100.4°F. Passengers having a temperature above 100.4°F will be required to quarantine in their vehicle for 10-15 minutes to wait for the temperature to dissipate. If the temperature does not dissipate, or increases, all passengers in the vehicle will be required to leave camp.

Once you are cleared from your initial temperature screening, your unit will distribute each camper their BSA AHMR, their San Bernardino County Health Screening Form, and any medications—including Epi-Pens and inhalers—listed in Part B2 of the AHMR for their Med-Check. Your unit leader will also need to have their Speedy Check-In Binder in-hand for the next step of their check-in.

## **Med-Checks and Speedy Check-In**

While completing your Speedy Check-In and checking your binder, all Scouts and adult leaders will undergo a medical screening with our Health Officer and their designees at the Pollock Training Center. This includes completion of the San Bernardino County Health Screening Form and a review of Parts A, B1, B2, and C of the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record. As a reminder, the Consent for Non-Prescription Medication Distribution on Part B2 of the AHMR must be signed by a parent or legal guardian, in addition to indicating whether or not to give consent. Be sure to also include a copy of your insurance card with your AHMR.

The review of your Speedy Check-In Binder will occur as you enter to Pollock Training Center. Your unit leader will meet with a member of the camp administration to review all parts of the Speedy Check-In Binder, and ensure that all of your paperwork is in order. Once this is complete, your binder will be collected, and you will be handed your Welcome Packet, which includes all necessary materials that you'll need for your week at Camp Big Horn.

## Campsite Set-Up and Camp Tour

After completing the above steps in Camp Pollock, your unit will make their way down into Camp Big Horn, where you'll meet your Mountain Rangers—your staff troop friends for your week at camp. Your Mountain Rangers will escort you and your unit down towards your campsite, and will help you unload and set-up your campsite.

Once you are unloaded and your campsite is ready to your satisfaction, your Mountain Rangers will take you on a tour of Camp Big Horn—touching on all of the important areas within reach of your campsite. Part of your tour will include stopping by the Big Horn Pool to complete your Swim Check. Camp Big Horn offers units the opportunity to complete their Swim Check prior to camp in order to help maintain a steady flow of campers moving through the pool. For more information on completing your Swim Check prior to coming to camp, view the Pre-Camp Swim Check Form on page 71.

Once your tour is complete, and your Swim Checks are complete, you'll have the opportunity to return to your campsite before we begin program in the evening. Program will begin at 6:15pm with Evening Flags, and your Mountain Rangers will be by your side all throughout it. Adult leaders are invited to learn more about what to expect during the week at our 7:45pm Leader's Meeting before heading to Opening Campfire at 8:30pm.

## Partial Week Adults

Units are able to schedule adults for part of the week if they can only be at camp for certain days of the week. If your unit plans on scheduling Partial Week Adults, please make sure that your unit will be following Two-Deep Leadership as mandated by the Boy Scouts of America's Youth Protection Policies. Your unit must also indicate on your adult leader's BlackPug registration when they plan on being in camp once registration opens. Please also make sure that both adult names and phone numbers are on your unit's roster.

# \$395

per 6 days for Partial Week Adult Leaders

*Units must indicate when registering in their BlackPug Account in order to qualify for pricing*

As a reminder, these adult leaders are required to undergo the same medical and check-in screenings as campers that arrive on Sunday. All campers checking in after Sunday must do so in the Big Horn Program Office.

## ***Speedy Check-In Form & Binder***

When you arrive at camp, your first step to checking-in is to present the camp administration your Speedy Check-In Binder. Your three-ring binder will help you organize and assist you as you prepare for your week at camp. Most of these documents can be found in the Appendix of this guide. **Please use the print-out version of this form (Appendix, page 55) for your actual binder.**

Your binder will be turned-in to our administrative staff at check-in. At the end of the week, we'll return it to you with some items that are required to be on-site removed from the binder. We recommend that you create a duplicate binder with anything you may need easy access to during your week at camp. Please have these items in the order listed below. On your binder, please make sure that your Unit Number and Council are written and visible on the cover and spine.

- Current copy of your **Payment Allocations Report** from BlackPug
- **Attendance Roster of all attendees from my.scouting.org** with current registration information, including any adults who may be arriving mid-week (Appendix, page 66)
- Copies of all your **leaders' current Youth Protection Training Certificate**
- Copies of all your **leaders' current California AB-506 Training Certificate**
- Completed **Food Allergies and Intolerances Form\*** for those with individual dietary needs (Must be submitted 30 days prior to your unit's arrival, no exceptions)
- **Routine Drug Administration Record** for each participant coming to camp, especially those who have medications listed in their Annual Health and Medical Record Part B2 (Appendix, page 78)
- **California Shooting Sports Parental/Legal Guardian Permission Form\*** (Appendix, page 79)
- **Pre-Camp Swim Check Form\***, if your unit has Swim Checks that were completed prior to coming to camp (Appendix, page 69)
- **Signed Scout/Leader Participation Permission Form\*** (Appendix, page 64)
- Complete the top-left portion of the **San Bernardino County Health Screening Form** (Appendix, page 74)
- **BSA Annual Health and Medical Record** for all participants (Appendix, pages 72-76)
- All adults must show proof of **COVID-19 Vaccination** or proof of a **negative COVID-19 Test taken within 72 hours (3 days) of arrival at camp**

*\* Able to be submitted before coming to camp via your unit's BlackPug account*

# Campsites at Big Horn

## GET TO KNOW CAMP BIG HORN

Camping has been an important pillar of the Scouting program for over 100 years. At Camp Big Horn, we're proud to offer units our state-of-the-art composite wood platforms and tents to use throughout their week at camp with us.

Camp Big Horn has 16 campsites available to units that camp with us—each located in different parts of the valley, and are able to accommodate units of varying sizes. Campsites are assigned by the camp administration, and units will be informed of their campsite location upon checking into camp. If a unit requires additional, reasonable accommodations—such as access to our ADA Campsite—please contact the Camp Director prior to camp.

### *Campsite Policies*

Camp Big Horn has set in place the following policies when it comes to assigning units to campsites. Please take time to read this information in order to understand how we best place units in campsites. By registering your unit for camp, you acknowledge your adherence to these policies.

- **Camp Big Horn does not allow units to pre-select their campsites.** This is done to ensure that every camper has adequate housing while at camp with us. Units may list a preferred campsite in their BlackPug reservation, but that campsite is not guaranteed to the unit.
- **Camp Big Horn does not guarantee that every Adult Leader or Scout will have their own tent.** Due to campsite capacities, we will not be able to place every individual in their own tent. If a unit wishes to do so, they are able to bring their own tent.
- **Camp Big Horn requires units to submit campsite accommodation requests at least 14 days prior to their week at camp.** Units who do not communicate their accommodation requests are not guaranteed accommodations upon arrival at camp.
- **Camp Big Horn does not allow for units to change their campsite assignments upon/after arrival at camp.** Due to the number of campers we have at any given time at Camp Big Horn, we are unable to accommodate campsite changes upon arrival at camp or after arrival in camp.
- **Camp Big Horn does not guarantee that each unit will have their own campsite.** Due to the number of campers we have at any given time at Camp Big Horn, we are not able to place units in their own campsite. It is possible that units will be sharing a campsite with another unit camping with us during the week.



## *Campsite Tools and Facilities*

Camp Big Horn does not require units to bring certain items while they camp with us, as they are provided in each campsite. Additionally, each campsite has certain accommodations available to all campers. These include:

- Platforms and canvas tents with cots and mattresses
- Shovel, rake, broom, hose, fire extinguisher
- Bulletin board
- Picnic table
- Water, including fresh, ice-cold Igloo Coolers provided to each campsite by Camp Big Horn
- Restrooms stocked with toilet paper, soap, paper towels, and cleaning supplies; Restrooms may be shared with other campsites, and are required to be cleaned by Scouts

## *Tenting*

Camp Big Horn provides standard A-Frame Canvas Tents secured on composite wood platforms to all campers. During weeks with larger numbers of campers, units may be provided a pop-up A-Frame Canvas Tent by Camp Big Horn, complete with a rug and cots. Units camping in these campsites must adhere to the BSA's Youth Protection Policies. Policies to remember include:

- Separate tenting arrangements must be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth
- Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age
- Spouses may share tents

## *Campsite Courtesy*

The campsite and the camp are your troop's/unit's home during the week. Please instruct your Scouts to respect the campsites of others.

- Do not enter other campsites or tents unless invited
- Control noise, respect quiet hours, and leave other people's personal property alone
- Damage to tents and campsite equipment will be charged to the Scout troop to which the responsible person(s) belongs
- During sessions with many Scouts, it may be necessary for different troops to share the same campsite. In cases such as these, we ask for your understanding and help in maintaining a spirit of friendship and camaraderie in the campsite

# The Camp Big Horn Experience

## GET TO KNOW CAMP BIG HORN

Deciding where to camp for summer resident camp is one of the most important decisions a unit can make. Here, you can find all of the important information you'll need in making that decision.

### **Camping Contact Information**

Throughout the process of preparing for camp, you may need to contact individuals associated with Camp Big Horn. The following is a list of whom to contact and the best way to reach them.

#### Camp Director

Landon Burtchell

(213) 264-4039

[landon.burtchell@scouting.org](mailto:landon.burtchell@scouting.org)

#### Camp Big Horn's Website

[camphuberteaton.org](http://camphuberteaton.org)

#### Website

[Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation Facebook](#)

#### Camp Phone Numbers *(Active June 1 - August 3)*

Camp Office (213) 563-9529

#### Physical Camp Address

Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation

29485 Hook Creek Road, Cedar Glen, CA 92321

### **Mail Service**

Scouts may receive mail at Camp Big Horn from friends and family. Please encourage them to mail these things well in advance of your time at camp to ensure their arrival during your scheduled week. We recommend mailing items one (1) week prior to your arrival date.

#### USPS Mailing Address

Scout Name

Unit Number & Week Number

Camp Big Horn

P.O. Box 8

Cedar Glen, CA 92321

#### UPS or FedEx Mailing Address

Scout Name

Unit Number & Week Number

Camp Big Horn

29485 Hook Creek Road

Cedar Glen, CA 92321

### ***Food Allergies and Special Diets***

It is the intention of Camp Big Horn that no person be unable to attend our camp as a guest due to a dietary restriction. To that end, we provide reasonable dietary accommodations to our guests:

- We will consistently prepare and serve food that satisfies the nutritional needs of:
  - Vegetarian diets
  - Dairy-free diets
  - Gluten-free diets
  - Religious diets
- We operate a nut-free kitchen

Persons with other food allergies, a combination of the proviso diets, special diets, or diet choices will be accommodated to the best of our abilities. In these cases, it is recommended that supplemental food be sent to camp with the individual. For guests, the Camp Big Horn Kitchen will store supplemental food that is received in a labeled and sealed container. The kitchen staff will heat and serve supplemental foods.

Food Allergies and Intolerances Form (Appendix, page 67-68)

### ***Provisional Scouts***

Provisional camping is an opportunity for an individual Scout to experience a full week of summer camp without having to come with their unit. Our staff provides a Scoutmaster and unit leadership for all Provisional Scouts in attendance. Scouts will work on merit badges and rank advancements that are offered during the regular summer season, or participate in any of the older-Scout programs. Provisional camping is also a chance for a Scout to experience a second week of camping, whether to finish merit badges or just enjoy the fun and adventure of Scouting's outdoor program. Other members of your unit are welcome to join you during your week with us, just make sure that all participants' unit numbers are listed on their application, and they will be placed in the same campsite.

Scouters looking to camp at Camp Big Horn as a provisional camper can register online through BlackPug. For more information, please contact the Camp Director.

### ***Camperships***

The Greater Los Angeles Area Council and Camp Big Horn encourage campers to do all they can to pay their own way to camp. However, at times it can be difficult for Scouts and their families to pay the full fee to attend summer resident camp. The Greater Los Angeles Area Council has limited financial aid available through the Campership Program on an individual basis for Scouts who meet certain qualifications.

Do note that Camperships are available to all Scouts wanting to attend camp, regardless of council. Campership Applications must be submitted to the Greater LA Scouting Camping Department to be approved as soon as possible, preferably before April 1. Should you have any questions about the application process, please reach out to

[landon.burtchell@scouting.org](mailto:landon.burtchell@scouting.org).

### ***Checking Out of Camp***

During your week at camp, adult leaders may want to leave camp to visit the town of Lake Arrowhead or Cedar Glen. Camp Big Horn requires the following when adults leave camp:

- Adequate adult leadership remains in camp to supervise the troop. Remember, the Two-Deep Leadership Policy must always be followed.
- Persons who are leaving must sign out on the provided Check-In/Check-Out sheet in the Program Office. This will allow us to account for people who are out of camp. Please remember to check-in when you return to camp.
- Alcoholic beverages should not be purchased while in town as they will not be allowed back into camp. Furthermore, any persons showing any signs of intoxication will be expelled from camp, reported to their charter organization and their council Scout Executive.

### ***Trading Post***

The Camp Big Horn Trading Post—run by our friendly and courteous staff—is stocked with a wide variety of program supplies, souvenir t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, patches, pocketknives, and much more. We carry general camping supplies, personal hygiene items, and an excellent selection of snacks and beverages. We encourage each Scout to bring an adequate amount of spending money. **The Trading Post is open every day from 8:30am-9:00pm, and is closed during all meal times and some evening programs. The average Scout will spend \$100 throughout the course of the week, so please ensure that Scouts come to camp with adequate spending money.**

### ***Average Weather from June-August in Lake Arrowhead***

Camp Big Horn is a mountain camp, likewise, we have mountain weather. Daily high temperatures at Camp Big Horn can range from 48°F to 95°F, rarely falling below 40°F or exceeding 95°F. Thunderstorms, rain, and flash flooding are likely during the later part of the season, but are possible all throughout the summer. Please review our suggested packing guide (Appendix, page 80) to ensure that you are prepared for any natural weather occurrence at camp.

### ***Adult Leader Spaces & Internet Access***

Adult Leaders have access to the Friendship Lodge—your one-stop-shop for fresh coffee, movies, and relaxation. Friendship Lodge provides internet access to those who may still need to work during the week, or for those looking to have easy access. Friendship Lodge is also home to our Adult Leader Training, where adult leaders are able to take part in training opportunities to broaden their involvement in Scouting. Friendship Lodge is open all throughout the day, with exceptions in the morning and evening for staff meetings, and at various times throughout the day during Adult Leader Trainings.

Cell reception is limited all throughout the reservation. Verizon has the best coverage in the area, but Scouts are discouraged from bringing their cell phones, and should leave them in their campsites. Scouts are able to use cell phones for photography or merit badge purposes.



### ***Shower and Restroom Facilities***

Showers and restrooms are available for all campers. These facilities consist of individual, lockable stalls. This allows each restroom to be used by both Scouts and adult leaders alike. Separate facilities are provided for male and female youth, along with male and female adults. We ask for your help in maintaining the good condition of our restrooms and showers by treating them with respect and immediately reporting any malfunctions to the camp administration.

In keeping with Youth Protection Guidelines, adults should be aware of their unit's behavior and maintain discipline by providing supervision while any youth are in the shower facilities. All campers must wear flip-flops or water socks when showering. If there are any mechanical problems or difficulties with a shower, please contact the staff.

Due to the sensitive nature of our septic system, units are prohibited from bringing their own toilet paper and paper towels to camp. Additionally, units are prohibited from flushing any item or product—including paper towels and feminine hygiene products—that is not septic-safe down the toilet.

### ***Dining Hall***

Camp Big Horn's Kitchen provides some of the best food you'll ever find at camp. Camp Big Horn serves food "cafeteria style," meaning that campers will receive their food from a central location before heading to their tables. Scouts play an active role in serving meals this way, as they will help ensure that tables are set and food is collected from the serving area and brought to their tables.

After units are dismissed one-by-one from Flag Ceremonies, units will head to their assigned tables. Units will sit at these assigned tables throughout the week, and will also clean these tables after each meal. Due to the limited number of tables, some units may be sharing tables with other units.

### ***Mountain Biking***

Camp Big Horn is proud to have a thriving mountain biking program that allows Scouts to earn the Cycling Merit Badge while at camp. Additionally, Camp Big Horn is home to some of the most beautiful trails throughout the San Bernardino Mountains. Scouts and Adult Leaders are allowed to bring their own mountain bikes with them to camp. **All riders—regardless of age and ability—are required to wear a helmet at all times. Failure to do so will result in removal of riding privileges during the week.**

Camp Big Horn provides specialty mountain bikes for those enrolled in the Cycling Merit Badge program for use during class time. Mountain bikes are **not** available to rent during the week.

# Camp Safety

## GET TO KNOW CAMP BIG HORN

The safety and well-being of all campers is vital to any camping experience. Our Health Lodge is designed to meet the immediate medical needs of all campers. But, units should Be Prepared by adhering to our health and safety policies.

### *Emergency Procedures & Information*

As part of the first lunch meal at camp, all campers will take part in an Emergency Drill in which the emergency alarm will sound. Any other alarms during the week will signify an actual emergency. If you hear the alarm, proceed to the Quad (assembly area), line-up by unit, and account for everyone therein. Further instructions will be disseminated at the assembly area. Be sure that your unit discusses and understands what to do in case of emergencies.

### *Health Lodge (First Aid)*

The Health Lodge is designed to meet the medical emergency needs of our campers. All injuries will be reported and properly recorded. We are ready with emergency support and will make necessary contact with the emergency medical response team in Lake Arrowhead in cases that require such medical attention.

Due to the high cost of over-the-counter medications, such medications will only be distributed from the Health Lodge in certain situations. Persons who have non-emergency medical situations are recommended to seek treatment from their unit medic or from the Big Horn Medical Staff.

**Units are recommended to bring a well-stocked First Aid Kit to camp.** We recommend that you assign one individual from your unit to serve as your unit's Health Officer during the week. Below is a suggested list of items you should bring in your First Aid Kit.

- 1x 4" Roller Bandage
- 1x 2" Roller Bandage
- 2x 1" Tape
- 2x Triangular Cravats
- 4x Elastic Bandages
- 1x Antibacterial Soap
- 1x Box of Assorted Band Aids
- 12x 4x4 Sterile Pads
- 1x Scissors
- 6x Pairs of Latex Gloves
- 12x 2x2 Sterile Pads
- 1x Needle & Tweezers
- 10x Safety Pins
- 10x Sunburn Lotion
- 10x Tylenol or Non-Asprin Tablet
- 10x Allergy Medication
- 20x Electrolyte Packets

## ***Hazardous Weather***

Thunderstorms occasionally strike Camp Big Horn. Most of our program areas will close when thunder and/or lightning presents a considerable danger. During severe weather, stay away from tall trees and wires. Head for cover and follow the direction of the staff. For more information on how to handle inclement weather, see the BSA's Hazardous Weather Training at [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org).

## ***Fire Safety***

Fire always presents a danger to the San Bernardino Mountains. For that reason, we ask that Scouts and Leaders pledge to be careful with fire by adhering to the following guidelines:

- **Open flamed fires are not permitted on camp property, including in campsites and in tents.** Gas-powered fires are permitted only with permission from camp administration. Should a fire break out in the campsite, do your best to put out the fire and alert camp staff.
- All troops must fill out and post the Unit Fire Guard Chart that is provided to them at Check-In. Campsites are inspected daily to ensure adherence to the fireguard chart.
- Fire drills are held during each session, in accordance with state law. Upon hearing the alarm, all Scouts must report immediately to the camp designated assembly area. Adult leaders then report to the Camp Director or staff designee that the unit is present, and everyone is accounted for. In case of fire, the central alarm system or camp staff member will notify you.

## ***Water***

Potable water from an on-site well is available for all campers via spigots, coolers, or the Dining Hall fountain. California is facing a record drought, meaning water conservation and is a top priority throughout the state. We ask for your help in conserving water by taking short five-minute showers and turning faucets all the way off. We ask that you stress this within your unit.

## ***Lost & Found***

Any lost item will be brought to the Program Office Lost and Found. Campers can retrieve lost items at this same location. Any Scout who finds an item that may have been left behind should follow the Scout Law and return such items to the Program Office.

## ***Scouts & Campers with Disabilities***

Camp Big Horn is open to all Scouts and Adults who wish to camp with their unit. This camp is ADA Accessible, and has an ADA Campsite that is available for units to request before coming to camp. **If you require additional accommodations, please contact the Camp Director before arriving at camp.**

**If your Scouts have special accommodations for earning merit badges or completing rank advancement requirements, your council requires you to submit an Individual Scout Achievement Plan.** In order for us to fully accommodate your Scout, please submit this Individual Scout Achievement Plan at least 30 days prior to coming to camp to the Camp Director.

## ***Wildlife & Ecology***

Camp Big Horn is located in the beautiful San Bernardino National Forest, and is home to several native animals, trees, and plants. Scouts and adult leaders alike should always practice Leave No Trace in care for all of the natural wonders surrounding Camp Big Horn.

### **Animal Conservation**

Three of the most spectacular and misunderstood of these creatures are the rattlesnake, the California Black Bear, and the cougar—several of which live near/on camp property.

If you stumble upon a rattlesnake, keep a safe distance from it, and do not touch it **or** do anything to provoke it. With one person keeping an eye on the snake's location, send another person to find a staff member for its safe removal. Rattlesnakes are not killed, rather, they are relocated to a part of camp where they are out of the general area of our programs.

It is important for campers to remember that they are visitors in the bear and cougar's natural habitat, and should act accordingly. Scouts and leaders should be cautious about keeping food or other "smellable" attractants in their campsites. We recommend that units bring a small Bear Box to store all attractants such as deodorant, toothpaste, etc.

### **Pets**

Unit leaders and Scouts should be advised that no pets of any kind are permitted on camp property.

### **Plant Conservation**

The vegetative life in the forest is a fragile ecosystem. Please make every effort to stay on designated trails. Do not pick the flowers or collect specimens unless directed to do so under the direction of a staff member. Do not use living, natural materials for camp construction projects. The trees are a particularly special part of Camp Big Horn. Please do not climb, carve into, hang items from, or do anything else that could damage them.

### **Fire**

The smallest spark could potentially be a deadly threat to wildlife and campers alike. Open fires are not permitted at any time. Only propane-fueled fires are allowed in campsites (such as from a camp stove) with permission from the camp administration. At no time are any other liquid, gas, or killed fuel permitted for use on property. Please be responsible when handling or managing your campfire. No fireworks are allowed at or in camp.

All units are required to display the Unit Fireguard Chart in their campsites at all time. The chart must be filled out daily, as required for their campsite inspections. All units are also required fill their two buckets—one with water, one with dirt—daily, as required for their campsite inspections.



## *Personal Safety*

### **Shoe Policies**

Camp Big Horn and the Boy Scouts of America require Scouts and Adult Leaders to wear closed-toed shoes at all times (except in the showers where beach shoes are recommended). Flip flops or water shoes may be worn in any aquatics area to protect your feet. Once at the pool, Scouts may play in the water barefooted. **Walking through the camp barefooted or with open-toed shoes (any type of shoe that exposes toes or feet, such as flip-flops or Crocs) is not permitted**, as the outside environment can cause harm to bare feet.

### **Scouting Safely**

The camp operates on the Buddy System. Scouts should always be with at least one other Scout, including in the tent at bedtime. Do not run unless it is part of a program activity. Stay on the trails and out of the non-staffed program areas. Do not walk on or dislodge rock or wood trail outlines or markers. Please respect the privacy of the camp staff by staying out of their living areas. Do not throw rocks, sticks, pine cones, or other objects, except in designated areas. Report any maintenance problems to the camp administration immediately.

### **Camp Cleanliness**

Help keep camp clean! We ask that you follow Leave No Trace and leave camp better than you found it. Please ensure that you place all trash in garbage cans. Do not leave food, candy, etc. in your tents or campsites at night. Food and other smellables attract unwanted animals

## *Alcohol, Tobacco & Drugs*

Alcohol, tobacco, and drugs have no place in Camp Big Horn. We ask that adult leaders model healthy lifestyles by following the Boy Scouts of America's policies regarding each of these. Leaders should support the attitude that they, as well as their youths, are better off without tobacco in any form and may not allow the use of tobacco products at any BSA activity involving youth participants.

Below are Camp Big Horn's policies regarding alcohol, tobacco, and drugs. Be aware that all of these policies will be strictly enforced for all those that use camp facilities.

- **Scouts and those under the age of 21, per federal law, are not allowed to purchase, come into possession of, or otherwise consume tobacco products. This includes the use of cigarettes, personal vaporizers, or nicotine delivery systems that stimulate tobacco smoking.**
- **Camp Big Horn offers a designated smoking area at camp behind the Big Horn Program Office.** We ask that you appropriately dispose of your expensed cigarettes once you are through with smoking.
- **As outlined in the Scouter Code of Conduct, Scouting activities are not a place to possess, distribute, transport, consume, or use any alcoholic beverages or controlled substances—including marijuana—prohibited by law or in violation of any Scouting rules, regulations, and policies.**
- In addition, the Code of Conduct specifies that if you are taking prescription medications with the potential of impairing any functioning or judgement, you will not engage in activities that would put Scouts at risk, including driving or operating equipment.

## Youth Protection at Camp

The Boys Scouts of America has outlined policies that are designed to prevent Scouts from being subject to abuse while participating in Scouting programs. Adult leaders—and Scouts—should be alert to the desire of others to engage in hazing—including the use of initiation programs, belt lines, paddles, or any other similar physical or verbal punishments. **Corporal punishments are also not tolerated at camp. Physical abuse, such as mishandling, pushups, and loud, abusive screaming are also not allowed as punishment for youths.**

All adults and youth should be aware that they must report any instances of Youth Protection violations to the Camp Director. For more information on the Boy Scouts of America's Youth Protection Policies, please visit [scouting.org/training/youth-protection/](https://scouting.org/training/youth-protection/).

## California Assembly Bill 506

The State of California, under Assembly Bill 506 (AB-506), requires that any adult over the age of 18 who spends more than 32 hours per year (or 16 hours per month) with children (as a volunteer or paid employee) take the State Mandated Reporter Training. The Boy Scouts of America already requires adult leaders to complete Youth Protection Training, which covers most of the areas that the State Mandated Reporter Training covers. **This training is required only for units that are registered within the State of California.** Please see the following information about the steps you and your adult leaders must take prior to coming to camp.

For more information, please visit [californiascouting.org](https://californiascouting.org)

## Required State Mandated Reporter Training

All adult leaders and volunteers are required to complete the California Mandated Reporter Training (2 hour course for Volunteers) beginning January 1, 2022. Regular adult leaders and volunteers are identified as a volunteer with the BSA who is 18 years of age or older and who has direct contact with, or supervision of, children more than 16 hours per month or 32 hours per year. Do note that this training is required in addition to BSA Youth Protection Training.

You can access the California Mandated Reporter Training for Volunteers at [mandatedreporterca.com/training/volunteers](https://mandatedreporterca.com/training/volunteers).

## Training Certificate Upload & Background Check Consent

Through [californiascouting.org](https://californiascouting.org), you'll upload your Mandated Reporter Training Certificate using your council's upload portal. Explicit directions are available online. You'll also need to submit a Background Check Consent Form to your council using the same upload portal.

## *Live Scan Background Check*

There are two options for individuals to complete their required California Department of Justice (CA DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) criminal background checks. It is recommended that units fill out a Request for Live Scan Service and find a Live Scan site nearest to you. Upon making an appointment, bring it along with your Request for Live Scan Service with you to your fingerprinting appointment. Be sure to pay the associated fees to the service provider. Be sure to save your receipt, as it will be your confirmation of completing these services.

Your council will be sent your background check results, and will contact you with any issues that may result from the background check.

## **Personal Firearms at Camp**

Camp Big Horn and the Greater Los Angeles Area Council understand the requirements of certain individuals to carry their firearms at all times. If you feel you are qualified to do so, please review the following policies of the Boy Scouts of America and the Greater Los Angeles Area Council:

- Individuals who are permitted by their Law Enforcement Organization to carry firearms are only permitted to do so in their county of jurisdiction. For reference, Camp Big Horn is located in San Bernardino County, California.
- For state and local Law Enforcement Officers who are permitted by their Law Enforcement Organization to carry firearms outside of their county of jurisdiction must have written approval from their Chief or Head of Agency.
- For federal Law Enforcement Officers who are permitted by their federal agency to carry firearms are subject to do so based on the jurisdiction of their agency, and must have written approval from their Chief or Head of Agency.
- **Any individual who is permitted to carry firearms and plans to do so while camping at Camp Big Horn must inform the Camp Director prior to coming to camp, in addition to submitting their written approval from their Chief or Head of Agency to the Camp Director.**

## *Incident & Near Miss Reporting*

The Boy Scouts of America requires that certain incidents—both Youth Protection infractions and otherwise—be reported in a timely manner. The Camp Big Horn Staff are trained on how to submit these reports for their respective program areas, as certain programs require different levels of reporting.

**Should your unit have an incident while at Camp Big Horn that constitutes further reporting, please notify the Camp Director as soon as possible.**

Learn more about the BSA's Incident Reporting requirements and methods [here](#).

## *Violation of Camp Policies*

**Camp Big Horn and the Greater Los Angeles Area Council retain the right to refuse service(s) to anyone at any time.** Both Scouts and Adult Leaders are subject to these rules and regulations, and are likewise subject to the consequences of violating these policies.



# AN ADVENTURE UNLIKE ANY OTHER

Programs play a large role in determining where to camp. At Camp Big Horn, we've built our program to be the best in the west. Over the years, we've added more programs geared to older Scouts, and we're adding even more to help Scouts identify a career path. Camp isn't just for the Scouts, which is why we've redesigned our Adult Leader program to give you more time with your Scouts and for yourself.

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# General Program Information

## AN ADVENTURE UNLIKE ANY OTHER

Before learning more about the programs we offer here at Camp Big Horn, it's important that you take a moment to understand how we carry-out our programs. We do it differently than most other camps, that way you are able to worry less about figuring it out alone.

### ***Program Registration***

All registration for programs will take place online using our council's BlackPug portal. This Leader's Guide, along with our Program Guide, shows all of the program opportunities that are available to campers throughout their week with us. There are a number of things to consider when choosing merit badges, including interest in the program, the likelihood of completing it, and the ability of the participant.

All units will be assigned a date and time for them to begin registering all participants for their program. Bellow is additional information for registration for both youth and adults.

### **Program Registration in BlackPug**

Merit Badge Registration for Scouts and Program Registration for Adult Leaders will take place during the second week of May. Units will be assigned a date based on the week they are registered to attend camp. Units will be given a tutorial on how to complete their Scouts' Black Pug registration before registration opens. We strongly recommend that all units add Scouts to their group prior to beginning merit badge registration.

**No Scout, Adult Leader, nor unit will be able to register for any program until all fees associated with their account(s) are paid for in BlackPug.**

### ***Merit Badge Programs at Big Horn***

The teaching of merit badges at Camp Big Horn is an important part of the program. Ensuring that Scouts receive the highest quality instruction is vital to the integrity of the Scouting program. While at camp, Scouts must complete all of the requirements—no more, no less—to complete the merit badge. Scouts who do not complete the merit badge will receive a partial on their advancement sheet, and will be able to complete the merit badge at a later time with a merit badge counselor in their area, their Scoutmaster, or through Camp Big Horn.

Bellow are more detailed explanations of our merit badge programs here at Big Horn. As a leader, take time to ensure you understand all of these policies.

**Additional Program Fees**

Camp Big Horn is proud to offer a majority of our programs at no additional cost. However, there are a handful that require additional fees in order to participate. These fees cover equipment and other associated costs that are absolutely needed in order to carry-out the program. These fees are identified in the 2024 Program Guide, and can be seen here in the brief description of our programs. Programs that are marked as "Free" require no additional cost. All program associated costs will be added to your unit's total balance upon completion of merit badge registration, and are able to be paid online through BlackPug.

**Merit Badge Prerequisites & Prerequisite Form**

Because some of the merit badges offered at Camp Big Horn have requirements that cannot be completed at camp, it is important for the Scoutmaster to have each Scout complete these before coming to camp. If the Scout has completed the requirement before camp, please have them fill out the [Camp Big Horn Merit Badge Prerequisite Form](#) (Appendix, page 60) and send it with them to their merit badge class on Monday, along with any other course materials that are required in order to fulfill the requirement. This will allow the instructor to award credit for the partial obtained in advance, and will enable the Scout to earn the merit badge when the remaining requirements are completed at camp.

Camp Big Horn focuses on learning and perfecting skills. There should be no expectation that because a Scout pays to come to camp, they will receive merit badges. Every Scout earns merit badges by fulfilling the requirements. Failure to submit completed prerequisites will result in a partial for the merit badge.

**Advancement Records**

Camp Big Horn does not use the BSA Blue Card to mark completion of requirements at camp. Rather, we issue individual advancement completion reports to each unit that summarizes the completion of all of a unit's Scout while at camp. Digital completion reports are available to access on Friday after 6pm, and units attending camp will receive these records after 6pm at the Big Horn Program Office.

If there are changes to merit badge program outcomes that need to be made, we will compare the completion record with the Instructor Record Sheet before making final changes. Once all of your records are certified to be correct, be sure to hand them to your advancement coordinator to enter them into Scoutbook, or to submit them to your council.

**Free Time Programming**

Camp Big Horn does not offer merit badges to Scouts during Free Time. This time is used for Scouts to spend time as they wish outside of their normal daily merit badge programs. If a Scout approaches a merit badge counselor while at camp with a completion record or Blue Card with a partial merit badge, we may be able to work with your Scout to complete their remaining requirement(s). There are no guarantees that the requirement(s) will be completed.

**Program Disclaimer**

All participants in Camp Big Horn's programs—both adults and youth—should be aware that all programs are subject to change at the discretion of Camp Big Horn and/or the Greater Los Angeles Area Council. Programs are subject to change before camp and during camp.

# Scouts BSA Programs

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Camp Big Horn is proud to offer those in the Scouts BSA Program multiple opportunities to earn merit badges during their week at camp with us. Here, you'll find a detailed description of each of our program areas, and get to preview some of the programs.

**E** – Eagle Required | **A** – Award-Eligible Program

## ***Advanced Camper Experience (ACE)***

C.O.P.E. (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience) – Climbing

Big & Little Zipline Experience – **E** Cycling (Mountain Biking)

Camping at a Scouts BSA resident camp isn't just for those who are looking to do merit badges. Camp Big Horn is proud to offer experiences geared towards older Scouts that push them beyond their limits in Challenge-by-Choice activities. These programs are recommended for Scouts who are age 14 or older, or 13 and have completed the 8th grade.

The Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience is one of the most exciting, yet challenging, programs in the Boy Scouts of America. Scouts of all ages may experience the intriguing initiative games, the team-building exercises of the Low C.O.P.E. course, and the thrilling High C.O.P.E. course later in the week. But climbing high doesn't stop there. Scouts are able to do so as part of the Climbing merit badge program at Camp Big Horn. In order to complete the climbing requirements, participants will need to spend some time outside of their normal merit badge class climbing and learning required knots. Scouts in the class, as well as those who are not, are able to climb during Free Time.

But the best views of Camp Big Horn are seen from the heights of our Dual Racing Ziplines. The Big Zipline extends across the valley for over 1,000 feet, with riders reaching speeds of over 30 miles per hour. But the views of the San Bernardino Mountains don't stop there. Camp Big Horn also offers riders the chance to ride our Little Dual Racing Zipline, which soars over Firebird Lake in Camp Pollock. One can also experience the beauty of Camp Big Horn from our mountain biking trails. Scouts will be able to complete bike rides throughout the week that will go towards their requirement. Bicycles are provided to those who are in need of them during the week. All riders are required to wear a helmet while riding their bike.

### ***Aquatics***

Canoeing – E|A Lifesaving – E|A Swimming – A Rowing – A Kayaking

Aquatics is a quintessential part to any summer resident camp experience. Camp Big Horn is proud to offer aquatics programs in three locations on property for varying levels of interest. Our Swimming classes are offered at the experienced and the instructional levels, with our lifeguards ensuring that all Scouts complete their requirements. For more experienced swimmers, our Lifesaving class introduces Scouts to the requirements that our lifeguards complete to earn their certifications. Rowing, Canoeing, and Kayaking introduce Scouts to more technical boating skills beyond traditional swimming.

### ***Civics***

E Citizenship in the Nation – E Citizenship in the World – E Communications  
Crime Prevention

Scouting teaches a wide range of skills, and being an upstanding citizen is one of the skills that is taught throughout our time in Scouting. Civics helps teach Scouts all of these necessary citizenship skills through a variety of classes—each of which are required for the Eagle Rank. We are proud to offer Citizenship in Society for Scouts who are over the age of 14, and are willing to learn valuable skills in diversity, inclusion, and equity. This class is under the direction of our Commissioner George Canelos, and requires Scouts to complete all required prerequisites in order to participate. Civics is also home to Citizenship in the Nation and World, as well as Communications. Regardless of the program you're in, you'll leave a better citizen in every way.

### ***Handicrafts***

Art & Fingerprinting – Painting – Leatherwork – Sculpture – Woodcarving

Many Scouts enjoy learning how to complete projects—both traditional and new—with the use of their hands. Baskets, a carved neckerchief slide, a leather belt, or a piece of pottery can develop a great deal of confidence and enthusiasm in a Scout. Handicrafts is open during the day to provide Scouts the opportunity to earn these merit badges, in addition to being open at Free Time to provide all Scouts the opportunity to complete one of these projects without earning the merit badge.

### ***Nature***

Bird Study – E|A Environmental Science – Forestry – Fishing  
Fish and Wildlife Management – Sustainability

Environmental awareness while camping is an important part of the Scouting program. At Camp Big Horn, our Nature area helps Scouts understand the importance of the resources of our planet that give us the ability to live every day. Instruction in this field has strengthened by the variety of macro and micro-ecosystems that exist around camp. Merit badge programs take place in the Nature Area, but expand to encompass the valley Camp Big Horn lies in. Scouts are encouraged to study their merit badge subjects prior to coming to camp.



### **Outdoor Skills**

**E** Camping – **E|A** Emergency Preparedness – Pioneering – **E|A** First Aid  
Orienteering – Search & Rescue – Wilderness Survival

Scouting teaches many outdoor skills that Scouters carry with them for a lifetime. A Scout is taught to always be prepared—no matter the circumstances. Our Outdoor Skills area is designed to help Scouts grow their skills in traditional Outdoor Skills, like Camping and First Aid. We also offer Scouts the opportunity to learn more about more intermediate outdoor skills, like Emergency Preparedness and Pioneering.

### **Shooting Sports**

Archery – Rifle Shooting – Shotgun Shooting

Camp Big Horn is proud to offer three shooting sports programs for Scouts to take part in throughout the week. Archery is open to Scouts to complete during the week, but Scouts will need to take advantage of Free Time shooting in order to complete their qualification. Our .22 Caliber Rifle Shooting program and our Shotgun Shooting program provide Scouts with the opportunity to learn gun safety. Do note that Shotgun Shooting will not be available as a Free Time program to all Scouts, as Scouts participating in the merit badge program will need to have additional time to complete their qualification.

### **Ranger Corps**

Automotive Maintenance – Metalwork – Plumbing – Welding – Woodwork

Ready to get your hands dirty? The Big Horn Barn is open once again for Scouts to try their hand at completing more complex trade-related projects. Scouts will have the opportunity to work on restoring a car as part of the Automotive Maintenance Merit Badge, work on crafting their own bowl in Metalwork, writing their initials using a welding torch, and even crafting a wooden toy car that will be donated to Toys for Tots.

### **S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics)**

Animation – Astronomy – Robotics – Space Exploration

The S.T.E.M. Center is the heart of all Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics based merit badges. Each of these merit badges can be used towards a Scout's NOVA Award. Scouts will have the opportunity to craft and program their own robot using Lego Mindstorms while taking the Robotics Merit Badge. Scouts will also be able to participate in the Astronomy Overnighter, where they will get the opportunity to spend a night under the stars and planets.

## **Pathfinders**

### **First Year Camper Program**

The first year of a Scout's time in the Scouts BSA Program is important, as it determines whether a not a Scout can fully succeed in the program. In Camp Big Horn's Pathfinders Program, Scouts will work on their Trail to First Class requirements. Each of the requirements covered are tailored to individual abilities and the readiness levels of each participant. Scouts have the opportunity to earn the First Aid and Swimming merit badges, and the Totem' Chip and Firem'n Chit awards as part of the program. Scouts will also work on map and compass skills, basic knots, the Outdoor Code, and the identification of poisonous plants and reptiles.

Below are the listed requirements that we complete during the week in the Pathfinders Program:

#### **Scout**

- 1a-f: Scout Oath, Law, Slogan, etc.
- 2a-d: Leadership and Advancement
- 3a-b: Patrol Method and Spirit
- 4a-b: Knots
- 5: Pocket Knife Safety

#### **Tenderfoot**

- 1b-c: Preparing for an Overnight Campout
- 3a-c: Knots and Hitches
- 3d: Proper Care for Axe and Saw
- 4a-c: First Aid and Poisonous Plants
- 5a-c: Buddy System and Safe Hiking
- 7a-b: Flag Etiquette and Service Project
- 8: Using the EDGE Method

#### **Training**

- Firem'n Chit
- Totin' Chip

#### **Second Class**

- 1b: Leave No Trace
- 2a-d, f-g: Cooking Techniques and Knots
- 3a, c-d: Hiking & Orienteering Practices
- 4: Wildlife at Camp
- 6a-e: First Aid and Mitigation
- 8b: Flag Etiquette
- 9a-b: Three R's and Bullying

#### **First Class**

- 1b: Tread Lightly
- 3a-c: Lashings and Knots
- 5a-d: Hazardous Weather Safety
- 6a: Swim Test
- 7a-c: First Aid Transport

# Big Horn Track Programs

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The Scouts BSA Merit Badge program helps Scouts identify their career paths, with a clear Majority saying they did by taking a merit badge. The Big Horn Track Program helps Scouts take a collection of merit badges in a single career field.

## ***Naturalist Track***

Fishing – Fish and Wildlife Management

Scouting reinforces the ideas behind being an outdoorsman. Merit badges like Fishing, Fly Fishing, and Fish and Wildlife Management help Scouts understand the wildlife they interact with in outdoor environments like Camp Big Horn. By completing each of these merit badges, Scouts will have the opportunity to apply for the Complete Angler Award.

## ***Shooting Sports Track***

Shotgun Shooting – Rifle Shooting – Tomahawk & Knife Throwing

Shooting Sports have always been a staple of the Scouting program. At Camp Big Horn, Scouts have the opportunity to work with our experienced staff in enhancing their marksmanship skills. In Rifle Shooting, Scouts have the opportunity to aim for joining the Dime Club or work on their NRA Marksmanship Award.

## ***Handicrafts Track***

Art – Sculpture – Woodcarving – Leatherwork – Indian Lore

Each of the Handicraft Merit Badges Camp Big Horn offers push Scouts towards a common goal throughout the week: completing an artistic project. With Art, Sculpture, Woodcarving, and Leatherwork, Scouts will have this opportunity. Indian Lore provides Scouts with the unique opportunity of learning more about indigenous cultures, and provides them the opportunity to craft unique items found in indigenous cultures.

## ***Trades Track***

Automotive Maintenance – Plumbing – Welding – Metalwork

Vocational education is becoming increasingly popular throughout the United States. At Camp Big Horn, our Ranger Corps program has helped Scouts identify trades that they might be interested in exploring further. This year, we're excited to be bringing Plumbing into the program at Ranger Corps.

# Adult Leader Programs

## AN ADVENTURE UNLIKE ANY OTHER

Camp isn't just for Scouts, it's for the Adult Leaders too. We've redesigned our Adult Leader program to give leaders a clear path for what trainings they should take, and to give leaders more time for themselves and with their Scouts.

### **Adult Leader Activities**

Throughout the week, there are activities available for all adult leaders to participate in. These activities are in addition to our training programs.

#### **Leader's Meeting – Sunday at 7:45pm**

Come out to our leader's meeting on Sunday night to get any last-minute questions answered before you get started on your amazing week with us at Camp Big Horn. We'll cover all of the major events going on throughout the week, in addition to informing all leaders about any changes that were made about our program.

#### **Adult Leader's Social – Tuesday at 8:15pm**

As adult leaders know, Scouting is for the youth. But sometimes, we know that their camp excitement can be tiring, so come join the Camp Big Horn Administration for a night of snacks, games, and more as we get to know each other.

#### **Head-Honcho Belly Flop Competition – Wednesday at 8pm**

As the Amazing Race comes to an end, we invite all adult leaders to join us at the Big Horn pool for the Camp Big Horn Adult Leader's Belly Flop Competition. Feel free to express yourself using costume, music, and more as our panel of very unbiased judges determines who has the best belly flop in all of Big Horn.

#### **Underwater Basket Weaving – Friday at 5pm**

You've heard it before, but you've never actually done it! Come join us for our only-in-the-nation Underwater Basket Weaving program at the Big Horn Pool.

#### **Scoutmaster Merit Badge – All Week at Your Own Pace**

We challenge all adult leaders to complete the Scoutmaster Merit Badge. This program will require you to complete a wide variety of activities and observations that will keep you busy throughout the week.

#### **Adult Leader Free Swim – Daily from 2-2:45pm**

Take a break from the chaos of camp and sneak away to a sanctuary of peace and quiet at the Pollock Pool. Feel free to swim laps, paddle around, or float as you take-in the sounds and views of nature.



## Adult Leader Free Shooting – Daily from 11-11:45am

For those looking to stay dry, adult leaders are welcome to join the Big Horn Range staff to try their hand at shooting rifles, shotguns, pistols, tomahawks, and bows. While here, be sure to see if you can join the Big Horn Dime Club, or save the Raccoon Saloon from pesky cowboys.

## ***Adult Leader Training***

We offer a variety of Adult Leader Training courses to help educate leaders about the BSA's programs and other general knowledge courses. To help identify which trainings are for new leaders and for more experienced leaders, we've created the New Leader's Track and the Experienced Leader's Track. Each track contains trainings that are open to all, but suggested for leaders who fall into their respective category. It should be noted that leaders are not required to take trainings during the week, but have the option to do so if they wish.

### **New Leader's Track**

These programs are geared more towards adult leaders who have just entered the world of Scouting, or have just bridged into a Scouts BSA unit.

## Leader Specific Training – Monday from 10am-3:45pm

Scouting is open to all, including parents who want to be more involved in the program. Leader Specific Training is designed to introduce the leadership skills that are needed in order to be a registered leader in the Boy Scouts of America.

## Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) Training – Tuesday and Thursday from 9am-2:45pm, including Scout's Own and Totin' Chip

This training program is designed for Scoutmasters and adult leaders who are interested in learning more about outdoor leadership. This program will guide leaders through a two-day campout scenario, which will include lashing poles, flag etiquette, and first aid. A \$25 fee is associated with this course.

## Nap Safely – Monday during Lunch

Every leader knows the key to success is a quality training. Here at Camp Big Horn, Nap Safely is designed to ensure your leaders have been fully trained when it comes to napping at various Scouting events and outings. Naps can be dangerous, so don't try and nap without proper training.

## Experienced Leader's Track

These programs are geared more towards adult leaders who have a year or two under their belt, and are ready for new and more challenging courses.

### Red Cross CPR/AED/First Aid Training – Tuesday and Thursday from 2-5:30pm

This certification course, from the American Red Cross Association, includes training on how to perform CPR, basic First Aid, and how to use an AED. Participants will be required to complete some training at-home prior to coming to camp. A \$45 fee is associated with this course.

### Aquatics Supervision – Tuesday & Thursday from 10-11:45am

For a more in-depth training on adequate aquatics supervision, the BSA's Aquatics Supervision course teaches adult leaders about important lifesaving techniques, in addition to touching more on the principles of Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat.

### Safe Swim Defense & Safety Afloat – Tuesday at 9am

Aquatics programs are an important part of the Scouting program. Safe Swim Defense is required to take a troop on any trip where swimming activities will be conducted. Safety Afloat, like Safe Swim Defense, is required for boating activities. Each certification is valid for 2 years, and is available for those over 18.

### Climb on Safely – Thursday at 9am

This training will introduce adult leaders to basic safety principles of BSA climbing and rappelling activities at a natural site or a climbing wall or tower. This training, like Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat, is meant to be specifically used on individual outings.



Camp isn't just for the Scouts. We recognize this at Camp Big Horn, and have created the ultimate challenge for adult leaders to take on: the Circle X-Treme Adult Challenge.

Adult leaders can join us for a hike to the highest peaks of Camp Big Horn, a morning marathon run with none-other than Fred the Bear, and an X-Treme canoeing excursion across the lengths of the Great Lakes of Arrowhead. End your week with us by giving thanks for surviving all of these X-Treme challenges. In order to qualify for the patch, one must attend three of the four activities. Be sure to meet at the Vinzant Center at 5:30am to be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

# Daily Programs

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The program at Camp Big Horn doesn't stop with merit badges. Every day, there's something for Scouts of all ages to participate in. Our program starts as early as 5:30am, and ends as late as 9pm.

### *Morning Programs*

Throughout the week, there are a variety of activities available for both adults and youth in the morning before Merit Badge Program begins.

#### **Polar Bear Plunge**

Polar Bears love their fishies! On Tuesday and Thursday mornings, the Big Horn Pool is open for the Polar Bear Plunge, which give Scouts and adults the opportunity to experience the polar bear lifestyle. From doing tricks in the water—and on land—to even learning how to talk like a polar bear, all campers who participate are eligible to purchase the Polar Bear Patch from the Trading Post, and are able to attend the ceremonial Polar Bear Graduation.

#### **Adult Leader Coffee, Tea, & Hot Chocolate**

On Tuesday and Thursday mornings as well, the Camp Big Horn Administration team will head out to each campsite and provide adult leaders with their very-own fresh cup of hot coffee, tea, and even hot chocolate—all made to order. While in each campsite, feel free to ask us questions about our programs or get to know us a little better during one of the best ways to start your day.

### *Free Time Programs*

Branding – Climbing – Crafts – Firem'n Chit – Open Archery – Open Rifle Shooting – Open Shotgun Shooting – Open Swimming – Totem' Chip – Zipline

After a long day of merit badges, spend your free time participating in some of your favorite activities around camp. Whether you spend your free time riding down our Zipline, shooting a .22 rifle on the range, or getting your favorite hat branded, you'll have plenty of ways to spend your free time up on the mountain. **Do note that some activities will be scheduled while at camp, and some activities require material purchases at the Trading Post.**

## ***Scouts' Own***

The Boy Scouts of America is an interfaith organization, meaning that all members are encouraged to actively participate in their respective religious beliefs and responsibilities as they see fit. Camp Big Horn has a Chaplain on duty and a chapel for Scouts, individuals, or groups to use for religious worship.

An interfaith worship service, known as Scouts' Own, is a highlight of our Monday evening program. All Scouts and adult leaders are encouraged to attend. Grace is said before each meal, with all campers having an opportunity to participate. Please let your Scouts know that they should feel free to pray as is their custom and remind them of the importance of showing respect for all.

## ***Order of the Arrow Social***

In 1915, E. Umer Goodman and Carroll Edson instituted an honor society called the Order of the Arrow at the Treasure Island Camp of the Philadelphia Council, BSA. Since that time, the OA has become identified as the official National Honor Society for the Boy Scouts of America. It recognizes Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives.

TUKU'UT Lodge represents the OA in the Greater Los Angeles Area Council, assisting our camps with work details and promotion of Scout camping year-round. On Monday, we encourage all members of the Order of the Arrow—regardless of lodge association—to wear their sashes throughout the day. All members of the Order of the Arrow, and those who are interested in joining the society, are invited to attend the Order of the Arrow Social after Scouts' Own. At the Social, staff members of the Order of the Arrow will be leading the camp in a rededication ceremony, followed by an ice cream social.

## ***Dutch Oven Cook-Off***

We invite all chefs—Scouts and adults alike—to join the esteemed Bug Horn Dutch Oven Judges on Thursday at 7pm for the weekly Camp Big Horn Dutch Oven Cook-Off. Chefs are able to cook their own entrées or dessert dishes in their own dutch oven or a camp-provided one. Adult Leaders are able to leave camp property by signing-out of camp in order to purchase ingredients. Or, chefs may provide the Camp Business Manager with a shopping list and payment for us to purchase your ingredients for you during one of our weekly shopping trips.

## ***Opening & Closing Campfire***

The best way to open camp is by joining us for our Opening Campfire on Sunday night. Campfires are a long-rooted tradition of Scouting, and provide an opportunity for units to join the staff for a night of fun skits and songs. Be sure to take note, as on Friday night, your unit will be contributing to the Scout-run Closing Campfire. Additionally, Closing Campfire will be the place for you to be as we award those who have gone above and beyond in many areas throughout the week.



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# Awards at Camp

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Recognition is an important part of a Scout's journey to Eagle. At Camp Big Horn, units and individuals have multiple opportunities to earn awards from Camp Big Horn, but also at the National level, with most emphasis being placed on the National Outdoor Award.

### *Camp Big Horn Awards*

There are a few awards that units camping with us have the opportunity to earn while camping with us.

#### **Honor Troop Award**

Every week, the Camp Big Horn Staff meets to discuss which unit exemplified the best that Scouting has to offer during their week at camp. However, each unit must first qualify to be considered for the award. A unit can qualify by signing-up to do flags, grace, and a song before meals. Units must also complete an approved service project that benefits the camp. Finally, units must also show reverence by attending Scout's Own, and show their Scouting Spirit by wearing their uniforms and showing that they are a unique, cohesive youth-led group.

Units looking to apply can do so by filling out the Honor Troop Application. Applications must be submitted to the Commissioners by Friday evening.

#### **Spirit of the Mountain Award**

In order to qualify for Honor Troop, a troop must maintain an average of 90 points on their campsite inspections throughout the week. The Spirit of the Mountain Award honors those units who have met this requirement, as they have gone a step-beyond what is asked of them to help make camp a beautiful place to be.

#### **Dutch Oven Awards**

Every week, we honor those individuals who cooked some of the most outstanding dishes in the Dutch Oven Cook-Off. Awards are given to those who cook the best chili and desert, along with the best dish made by a Scout, and the best dish overall.

#### **Program-Specific Awards**

Camp Big Horn is proud to offer additional awards for units to purchase separately. Scouts who participate in the Polar Bear Plunge are able to purchase the Polar Bear Plunge patch from the Trading Post. Additional programs with patches include Zipline, C.O.P.E. and Climbing, Pathfinders, and the Scoutmaster Merit Badge.

Units will be able to fill-out a patch order form while at camp, and can turn it into the Business Manager for order placement.

**Red Rope Challenge** 

At Camp Big Horn, Scouts and Adult Leaders alike are able to show-off their knot-tying skills by taking part in the Red Rope Challenge. Those looking to aim for this award are required to tie 14 knots in one minute or less. Participants are able to stop-by the Friendship Lodge during Free Time to practice tying the knots in the correct order. In order to participate, purchase a Blue Rope from the Trading Post, and those who complete the challenge will be given a Red Rope by Camp Big Horn.

For those that earn their Red Rope, they can aim even higher by completing additional technical challenges. Be sure to work with our Pathfinders staff to complete the Mogley, Alpine, and the 40-Knot Challenges.

***Boy Scouts of America Awards***

Camp Big Horn is proud to facilitate the earning of Boy Scouts of America Awards while at camp. Below is a list of awards that

**Mile Swim Award** 

Camp Big Horn offers Scouts and Adult Leaders the opportunity to complete the Mile Swim on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Pollock Pool. By completing the Mile Swim, Scouts are able to color a black ring around their BSA Buddy Tag. To earn the Mile Swim Award, a Scout or Adult Leader must take the extra-mile and discuss how regular exercise is healthy for the body, and why swimming is one of the best forms of exercise.



# *Camp Staff Information*

## AN ADVENTURE UNLIKE ANY OTHER

Camp wouldn't be what it is without devotion from experienced Scouters. We're always searching for Scouters who are wanting to make a large and lasting impact in the program. Be sure to apply to be a part of our Camp Staff or the Counselor Training Program.

### *Camp Staff*

Before we begin camp, our staff receive extensive training in a wide variety of areas, including camp health and safety, customer service, counseling, and youth protection. We also spend time going through each area's programs, morning and evening programs, and specialty programs.

Our staff also go through an extensive interview process, in which we evaluate each candidate's skills, Scouting experience(s), and previous camp staff experience (if applicable). We hire a wide variety of candidates, including those without Scouting experience. Our staff consist of those between the ages of 16-21, and 21 and over.

All of our area directors are age 18 or older, and receive additional training in management skills. They also have had extensive experience and training within their program area. Our management staff are age 21 or older, and in addition to receive additional management training, attend the National Camp School at one of the BSA's high adventure or seasonal properties. Some area directors also attend National Camp School.

If you are interested in becoming a Camp Staff Member at Camp Big Horn, or at any other Greater LA Scouting or BSA Property, check the Greater LA Scouting Website for our online application, and be on the lookout for interview dates.

### *Counselor Training Program*

The Greater Los Angeles Area Council is proud to have the Counselor Training Program at both Camp Big Horn. This program is designed to give Scouts between the ages of 14 and 15 the opportunity to learn what it takes to be a camp staff member, and learn valuable leadership, teaching, and counseling skills along the way.

This three week program, costing only as much as camping for a single week with us, will push participants in this program further than they ever have been pushed, and will be able to form bonds and connection that can't be found in any other workplace. Participants will also have the opportunity to earn merit badges, and complete rank advancement requirements while they receive their training.

If you are interested in the Counselor Training Program, please visit the Greater LA Scouting website for more information about the program, costs, and the application process.

# PREPARING FOR YOUR ADVENTURE

Preparing for camp can be difficult. Here, you will find all of the important documents you will need in order to fully-prepare for your adventure at Camp Big Horn. You can also access these individual forms on our website.

## → *In This Section*

- Program Schedules
- Unit Forms
- Participation Permission Forms
- Health & Medical Forms
- Camp Maps

# CAMP BIG HORN

## *Speedy Check-In Form*

Please have these items in the order listed below. Also make sure to list your Unit Number, Council, and Campsite (assigned at check-in) on your form. On your binder, please make sure that your Unit Number and Council are written and visible on the cover and spine.

UNIT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CAMPSITE: \_\_\_\_\_

- Current copy of your **Payment Allocations Report** from BlackPug
- **Attendance Roster of all attendees from my.scouting.org** with current registration information, including any adults who may be arriving mid-week (Appendix, page 66)
- Copies of all your **leaders' current Youth Protection Training Certificate**
- Copies of all your **leaders' current California AB-506 Training Certificate**
- Completed **Food Allergies and Intolerances Form\*** for those with individual dietary needs (Must be submitted 30 days prior to your unit's arrival, no exceptions)
- **Routine Drug Administration Record** for each participant coming to camp, especially those who have medications listed in their Annual Health and Medical Record Part B2 (Appendix, page 78)
- **California Shooting Sports Parental/Legal Guardian Permission Form\*** (Appendix, page 79)
- **Pre-Camp Swim Check Form\***, if your unit has Swim Checks that were completed prior to coming to camp (Appendix, page 69)
- **Signed Scout/Leader Participation Permission Form\*** (Appendix, page 64)
- Complete the top-left portion of the **San Bernardino County Health Screening Form** (Appendix, page 74)
- **BSA Annual Health and Medical Record** for all participants (Appendix, pages 72-76)
- All adults must show proof of **COVID-19 Vaccination** or proof of a **negative COVID-19 Test taken within 72 hours (3 days) of arrival at camp**

*\* Able to be submitted before coming to camp via your unit's BlackPug account*

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## 2024 Daytime Program Schedule

Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Free Time	Activity
<b>Aquatics</b>						
1 & 2			4 & 5			Canoeing (Fire Bird Lake)
1	2	3				Kayaking (Fire Bird Lake)
			4 & 5			Rowing (Fire Bird Lake)
1 & 2			4 & 5			Lifesaving (Big Horn Pool)
	2	3	4			Swimming (Big Horn Pool)
<b>Civics</b>						
1		3		5		Citizenship in the Nation
	2	3	4			Citizenship in the World
1 & 2			4 & 5			Communications
	2		4			Crime Prevention
<b>Handicrafts</b>						
1		3		5		Art & Fingerprinting
	2		4			Painting
	2		4			Leatherwork
1		3		5		Sculpture
1		3		5		Woodcarving
<b>Nature</b>						
	2		4			Bird Study
1		3		5		Environmental Science
		3				Fishing
1		3				Forestry
	2		4			Fish & Wildlife Management
	2		4			Sustainability
<b>Outdoor Skills</b>						
	2		4			Orienteering
1		3		5		Camping
1		3		5		Emergency Preparedness
1		3		5		First Aid
	2		4			Pioneering
	2		4			Search and Rescue
1 & 2			4 & 5			Wilderness Survival
<b>A.C.E</b>						
1	2	3	4	5		Big & Little Ziplines
1 & 2			4 & 5			Climbing
1 & 2			4 & 5			C.O.P.E.
1 & 2			4 & 5			Cycling
<b>Shooting Sports</b>						
1 & 2			4 & 5			Archery
1 & 2			4 & 5			Rifle Shooting
1 & 2			4 & 5			Shotgun Shooting
<b>Pathfinders</b>						
1, 2, & 3						1st Year Scout Program
		3, 4, & 5				1st Year Scout Program
<b>Ranger Corp.</b>						
	2		4			Automotive Maintenance
			4	5		Metalworks
		3		5		Plumbing
1	2					Welding
1		3				Woodworking
<b>S.T.E.M</b>						
1		3		5		Animation
	2	3	4			Astronomy
1 & 2			4 & 5			Robotics
1		3		5		Space Exploration
<b>Scout Time Programing</b>						
					Open	Open Archery
					Open	Open Basketry
					Open	Branding (Ranger Corp.)
					Open	Open Climbing
					Open	Open C.O.P.E.
					Open	Craft Area
					Open	Fireman Chit
					Open	Open Rifle Shooting
					Open	Open Shotgun Shooting
					Open	Open Swimming
					Open	Open Lake
					Open	Totin' Chit



**CAMP BIG HORN**  
**2024 Adult Leaders Schedule**

Program	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Free Time	Evening
<b>Adult Training/Certifications</b>							
Safe Swim Defense & Safety Afloat	Tuesday						
Aquatics Supervision		Tuesday & Thursday					
Climb On Safety	Thursday						
Red Cross CPR/AED & First Aid Training				Tuesday & Thursday			
Leader Specific Training			Monday				
Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS)	Tuesday & Thursday (Scout's Own, LNT & Totin' Chit)						
<b>Other Adult Programs</b>							
Circle X-Treme Adult Challenge	Monday, Wednesday & Friday starting at 5:30am						
Adult Leaders Free Swim @ the Pollock Pool			Daily				
Adult Open Shoot			Daily				
Nap Safety			Monday During Lunch				5:30pm Friday
Underwater Basket Weaving							Sunday
Adult Leaders Meeting							Monday
Adult Leaders Social							Thursday
Dutch Oven Cookoff							Wednesday
Troop Leaders Belly Flop Contest							
Scoutmasters Merit Badge							
Procrastination Merit Badge							
Throughout the week at your own pace To be determined... We're still working on it							



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# 2024 Week at a Glance

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	5:30AM Circle X-Treme Adult Challenge	5:30AM Polar Bear Plunge	5:30AM Circle X-Treme Adult Challenge	5:30AM Polar Bear Plunge	5:30AM Circle X-Treme Adult Challenge	
	7:30AM Morning Flag Ceremony	7:30AM Morning Flag Ceremony	7:30AM Morning Flag Ceremony	7:30AM Morning Flag Ceremony	7:30AM Morning Flag Ceremony	7:00AM Unit Breakfast & Check-Out
	7:45AM Breakfast & SPL Meeting	7:45AM Breakfast & SPL Meeting	7:45AM Breakfast & SPL Meeting	7:45AM Breakfast & SPL Meeting	7:45AM Breakfast & SPL Meeting	
	9:00AM 1st Merit Badge Session	9:00AM 1st Merit Badge Session	9:00AM Wild West Wednesday	9:00AM 1st Merit Badge Session	9:00AM 1st Merit Badge Session	
	10:00AM 2nd Merit Badge Session	10:00AM 2nd Merit Badge Session		10:00AM 2nd Merit Badge Session	10:00AM 2nd Merit Badge Session	
	11:00AM 3rd Merit Badge Session	11:00AM 3rd Merit Badge Session		11:00AM 3rd Merit Badge Session	11:00AM 3rd Merit Badge Session	
12:00PM	12:30PM Lunch	12:30PM Lunch	12:30PM Lunch	12:30PM Lunch	12:30PM Lunch	
Assigned Unit Check-In	2:00PM 4th Merit Badge Session	2:00PM 4th Merit Badge Session	2:00PM Wild West Wednesday	2:00PM 4th Merit Badge Session	2:00PM 4th Merit Badge Session	
	3:00PM 5th Merit Badge Session	3:00PM 5th Merit Badge Session		3:00PM 5th Merit Badge Session	3:00PM 5th Merit Badge Session	
	4:00PM Totin' Chip/Scout Time Activities	4:00PM Firem'n Chip/Scout Time Activities	4:00PM Scout Time Activities	4:00PM Scout Time Activities	4:00PM Scout Time Activities	
	6:15PM Evening Flag Ceremony	6:15PM Evening Flag Ceremony	6:15PM Evening Flag Ceremony	6:15PM Evening Flag Ceremony	6:15PM Evening Flag Ceremony	
6:30PM Dinner	6:30PM Dinner	6:30PM Dinner	6:30PM Dinner	6:30PM Dinner	6:30PM Dinner	
7:45PM Leaders' Meeting	7:45PM Camper's Night	8:00PM Scouts' Own	Free Time	7:00PM Dutch Oven Cook-Off	7:15PM Want to Be A Staffer Meeting	
8:30PM Opening Campfire	8:15PM Adult Leader's Social	8:30PM Order of the Arrow Social	8:00PM Head Honcho Belly Flop Competition	8:00PM CBH Dance Party	8:30PM Closing Campfire	
10:00PM Quiet Time	10:00PM Quiet Time	10:00PM Quiet Time	10:00PM Quiet Time	10:00PM Quiet Time	10:00PM Quiet Time	
11:00PM Lights Out	11:00PM Lights Out	11:00PM Lights Out	11:00PM Lights Out	11:00PM Lights Out	11:00PM Lights Out	

# CAMP BIG HORN

## 2024 Scoutmaster Merit Badge Requirements

Staff members will sign requirements upon completion. The Program Director must sign at the bottom upon full completion of the requirements. To earn the merit badge, Adult Leaders must complete "General Requirements" and complete at least 5 of the 7 Elective Categories.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT #: \_\_\_\_\_

### General Requirements

- Observe a merit badge class in any program area of your choice and share your observations with your Program Director
- Attend the Adult Leader's Social on Monday Night

Complete all requirements in 5 of the 7 following elective categories:

#### Aquatics

- Pass the swim test
- Participate in the Polar Bear Plunge
- Participate in the Underwater Basket Weaving class

#### Handicrafts

- Carve a neckerchief slide
- Make a lanyard
- Build a basket

#### STEM

- Share some unit pictures taken at camp with your STEM Director. Your Unit's pictures may be posted on our Facebook or Instagram!
- Identify the Big Dipper, Little Dipper, and Cassiopeia
- Draw a picture of something and have it critiqued by the STEM Director, the Program Director, or the Camp Director

#### General Requirements

- Take a nap after completing Nap Safely
- Take a shower (We'll take your word)
- Eat/Drink something from the Trading Post
- Meet someone from another council

#### Nature/Civics

- List all 7 Leave No Trace Principles
- Go on a 3-mile hike
- Identify 3 different animals that can be found around Camp Big Horn

#### Outdoor Skills

- Demonstrate how to build a tripod
- Demonstrate how to tie a bowline, clove hitch, sheepshank, and sheet-bend knots
- Demonstrate how to tell time without using a clock

#### Outdoor Sports

- Go to the shooting range to practice shooting and work on your aim
- Participate in the Scoutmaster Low C.O.P.E. Program

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Program Director's Signature

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This page is reserved for future use. Check back in later editions of this guide to see what's in store for your unit at camp.

# CAMP BIG HORN

## 2024 Camp Big Horn Campsite Inspection Form

Your campsite will be inspected daily by our Camp Commissioners. In order to be eligible for the prestigious Camp Big Horn Honor Troop Award, you must have an overall average score of 90 points. There are 100 points that are eligible for each day. Please plan ahead of time and think about what you might need, as the information below explains what the inspector will be looking for and how many each item is worth.

CAMPSITE: \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY	MAX. POINTS	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
1. American Flag	10					
2. Troop Identification	10					
3. Gateway	10					
4. Clean KYBO	10					
5. Bulletin Board	5					
6. Fire Station	15					
7. Clean Campsite	30					
8. Camp Improvement	10					
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>					

- Flag must be displayed correctly in the campsite. International troops should display their respective country's flag.
- A flag or any other appropriate insignia—in the form of signs, rocks, sticks, pinecones, etc.—is displayed in the campsite.
- Gateways must have two free standing poles with guidelines or two tripods; additionally, a cross section of wood, rope, or a banner must be attached. Other original ideas are accepted.
- Your unit's KYBO must be cleaned each day. If you are sharing a KYBO, please work with your fellow unit(s).
- A bulletin board is used in the campsite. Place all pertinent information pertaining to your troop on the board, including this Campsite Inspection Form and the Unit Fireguard Chart.
- The Unit Fireguard Chart must be filled out completely. Rakes and shovels must be visible in the campsite.
- Each campsite has a trash can; a Scout does not litter. Stow all gear in your tent and hand wet clothes on your clothes line or canopy. 20 points are awarded for cleanliness, 10 points are awarded for stowed gear.
- A camp improvement project or camp decoration needs to be completed daily prior to the inspection. Some examples may include gateways, clotheslines, rather rocks, sun tails, monkey bridges, decorative raking, and designs made from pinecones or rocks.



## 2024 Application for Honor Troop

Please fill out this form to apply your troop for the Camp Big Horn Honor Troop Award. Upon completion of this form, please submit it to your Camp Commissioners no later than Friday by noon in order for the staff to fully consider your qualification and application for the award.

Unit Number	Council	Number of Youth	Number of Adults
Senior Patrol Leader Name		Scoutmaster Name	

Before qualifying for Honor Troop, your unit must achieve a 90 point average on your daily campsite inspections, in addition to completing each of the following requirements:

- 1. Flag Ceremony** While at Camp Big Horn, you must lead a morning or evening Flag ceremony. If the list is full, see the Commissioners for additional slots.
- 2. Song** During a flag ceremony or meal time, sing a song for the camp.
- 3. Field Uniforms** It is suggested that during evening flags, dinner, and any other time you wear your Field Uniforms, wear them correctly with the appropriate insignia.
- 4. Service Project** While at Camp Big Horn, your unit must complete a Service Project that has been approved by the Camp Commissioners.
- 5. Scouting Spirit** Throughout your time here at Big Horn, demonstrate that your unit is the best that Scouting has to offer by living the Scout Oath, Law, Motto, Slogan, and Outdoor Code.
- 6. Reverence** While at Camp Big Horn, participate in the Scout's Own Service and lead the camp in grace before meals. If the list is full, see the Commissioners for additional slots.
- 7. Campfire Participation** At Closing Campfire, your unit must participate by providing a skit or song.

By completing all of the above requirements, this troop has qualified for the Camp Big Horn Honor Troop Award in all respects as indicated above and as evidenced by the signatures of the Scoutmaster or Unit Leader and Senior Patrol Leader.

Scoutmaster (or representative) Signature	Date
Senior Patrol Leader Signature	Date

## *2024 Greater Los Angeles Area Council Campership Application*

### **Submission Procedures**

The Greater Los Angeles Area Council has put the following process together to assist with the submissions of the 2024 Campership Applications to our council headquarters for review:

1. Complete the 2024 Campership Application online.

**Please submit 60 days or more prior to program/event date to allow for council review and processing.**

2. Camping Department verifies that individual is a registered member of the BSA.
3. Director of Support Services determines eligible amount depending on the merits of the application.
4. Approved applications are submitted to camping support to log and apply to existing reservations.
5. Credit is immediately applied to existing reservation\* and a new statement is sent to the unit contact on the program/event registration letting them know the credit was issued.

\* All units are required to follow scheduled payment plans already in place.

6. Letter is emailed to unit leader notifying them of award.

### **Application Directions**

- Only one application is to be submitted per youth.
- Please fill out all information. Information is confidential. The application should be approved by the leader (Leader is Scoutmaster, Cubmaster, adviser, committee chairman, charter organization representative, and/or Den Leader) and the parent/guardians of the applicant.
- The 9th Point of the Scout Law is "A Scout is thrifty." Each camper is to earn as much of their own way as possible to camp. No full camperships will be awarded, only partial camperships.

# CAMP BIG HORN

## 2024 Scout & Leader Participation Form

Please print all parts of this form legibly.

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Participant's Name		Unit #
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Age	Date of Birth	Dates Attending Camp
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Street Address		
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City	State	ZIP Code
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Parent/Guardian's Name	
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Phone (Home)	Phone (Mobile)
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Email Address
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### Pick-Up Permission

The following persons are allowed to pick-up my child from camp, nobody else is allowed.

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Name	Relation	Phone
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Name	Relation	Phone
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Name	Relation	Phone
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Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
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### Photograph/Recording Release

I hereby assign and grant to the Boy Scouts of America the right and permission to use and publish the photographs, film, videotapes, electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me or my Scout this date by the Boy Scouts of America, and I hereby release the Boy Scouts of America from any and all liability from such use and publication. I hereby authorize the reproduction, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage and/or distribution of said photographs, film, videotapes, electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the Boy Scouts of America and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

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Parent/Guardian Printed Name
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Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
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## *California AB-506 Training Information*

Dear Scouting Family:

Protecting youth is our top priority and we want to share some new layers of protection the State of California is requiring next year to supplement and enhance our already robust Youth Protection Policies.

Starting in January 2022, [California law AB 506](#) will require all youth-serving organizations to take several steps to protect children. Due to our commitment to safety, we are already meeting several of the requirements, including having two leaders at every meeting and clear policies for reporting abuse for all registered adults. However, two new requirements will be added next year to strengthen our Youth Protection efforts in our council and affect many of our volunteers and families.

These new requirements are for everyone, regardless of Boy Scout registration status, who has direct contact with, or supervision of, children for more than 16 hours per month or 32 hours per year. They consist of:

- Mandatory Live Scan Fingerprinting (one time cost of \$35-\$55)
- Mandated Reporter Training from the State of California (one time in addition to regular BSA Youth Protection Training).

Since most registered BSA volunteers have direct contact with youth, we are asking ALL registered volunteers to meet the above requirements.

You can begin the training now with the Live Scan fingerprinting process anticipated in January. The mandated reporter training may be met by completing the 2-hour online training provided by the Office of Child Abuse Prevention in the State Department of Social Services at this link: <https://mandatedreporter.ca.com/training/volunteers>. Once you complete your training, upload your training certificate to <https://californiascouting.org/glaac/>.

True youth protection can be achieved only through the focused commitment of everyone in Scouting, and we thank you for your dedication to keeping all our Scouts safe in Scouting.

We will share details about these new requirements in the coming weeks. You can follow updates on our statewide website [www.californiascouting.org](http://www.californiascouting.org).

Yours in Scouting,

**Steven J. Rothans**  
Council President

**Craig Snodgrass**  
Council Commissioner

**Bob Kurkjian**  
CEO/Scout Executive





## 2024 Food Allergies & Intolerances Form

Allergies and special diets are a common concern of our camp participants. Our food service providers are experienced with accommodating most diets, including food allergies, religious restrictions, and other health-related diets. While we work to meet all dietary requirements, food is prepared in an area with milk, egg, peanut, tree nut, wheat, soy, and fish and cross contamination can occur.

### Participant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Food Allergies

Please describe all food allergies that will create dietary restrictions for this participant. Be as specific as possible.

### Food Intolerances

Please describe all food intolerances that will create dietary restrictions for this participant. Be as specific as possible.

### Dietary Needs Questionnaire

What type substitution does this individual require?

- Gluten-Free
- Vegetarian
- Dairy-Free
- Vegan
- Pescatarian

What are the participant's preferred food substitutions, if any (i.e. soy butter for peanut butter, gluten-free breads, soy milk)?

What type of contact will cause a reaction?

- Airborne
- Trace Cross Contact
- Ingestion

Please explain here:

*Continues on the next page →*

**Dietary Needs Questionnaire**

Does the participant understand the food allergy Please explain here:  
and what needs to be done to manage it?

- Yes
- No

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Is there any other information you would like to share to help us meet this participant's needs?

By signing below, you understand and agree to the following:

- Upon arrival at camp, and prior to the first meal eaten, it is the participant's responsibility to identify themselves to our staff, and to cooperate in helping us meet their needs. Refrigerated spaces are provided for those wishing to bring their own foods. No discount will be provided for individuals not eating from the provided menu.
- Menus will be posted online two (2) weeks prior to this participant's camp date. **This form must be submitted to the camp 30 days prior to check-in. Failure to do so will result in extra charges.** Please email a email of this form to [glaaccamping33@gmail.com](mailto:glaaccamping33@gmail.com).
- The Boy Scouts of America, Greater Los Angeles Area Council make every attempt to identify ingredients that may cause allergic reactions for those with food allergies. Every effort is made to instruct our food production staff on the severity of food allergies. However, there is always a risk of contamination. Participants with food allergies need to be aware of all of the risks. Food production staff will not assume any liability for adverse reactions to foods consumed, or items one may come in contact with while eating.

**By signing below, I am certifying I understand the disclaimers contained in this form and I verify the information provided is correct and true.**

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

# CAMP BIG HORN

## 2024 Unit Swim Classification Record

This is the individual's swim classification as of this date. Any change in status after this date (i.e. non-swimmer to beginner or beginner to swimmer) would require a reclassification test performed by an approved test administrator. Changes and corrections to the following chart should be initialed and dated by the test administrator.

**Note** When swim tests are conducted away from camp, the camp's Aquatics Director retains the right to review or retest any or all participants to ensure that standards have been maintained.

Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Test: \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

	Last Name	First Name	Med Recheck	Non-Swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
11						
12						
13						
14						
15						

### PERSON CONDUCTING THE TEST

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Qualification Council/Agency (Red Cross, YMCA, etc.)

### UNIT LEADER

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name Signature

## Swim Classification Procedures

The swim classification of individuals participating in a Boy Scouts of America activity is a key element in both Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. The swim classification tests must be renewed annually, preferably at the beginning of each outdoor season. Traditionally, the swim classification test has only been conducted at a long-term summer camp. However, there is no restriction that this be the only place the test can be conducted. It may be more useful to conduct the swim classification prior to a unit going to summer camp. All persons participating in BSA aquatics activities are classified according to swimming ability. The classification tests and test procedures have been developed and structured to demonstrate a skill level consistent with the circumstances in which the individual will be in the water (ex. The swimmer's test demonstrates the minimum level of swimming ability for recreational and instructional activity in a confined body of water with a maximum 12-foot depth).

The various components of each test evaluate the several skills essential to the minimum level of swimming ability. Each step of the test is important and should be followed as listed below:

### Swimmer's Test

Jump feet-first into water over the head in-depth, level-off, and begin swimming. Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting breaststroke. The 100 yards must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

### Beginner's Test

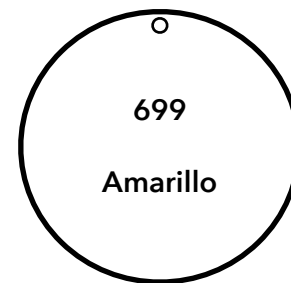
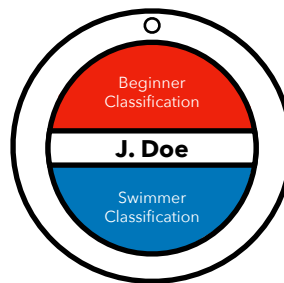
Jump feet-first into water over the head in-depth, level-off, swim 25 feet on the surface, stop, turn sharply, resume swimming as before, and return to starting place.

### Beginners (red on top)

1. Jump into deep water
  2. Swim 25 feet
  3. Turn
  4. Return
- Total: 50 feet with entry and turn

### Swimmers (blue on bottom)

1. Jump into deep water
  2. Swim 75 yards with strong forward stroke
  3. Swim 25 yards with restful backstroke
  4. Rest by floating
- Total: 100 yards with entry and turn



### Properly Filling-Out a Buddy Tag

- The swimmer's name is put on the front in the middle section. On the backside is their Unit Number and Campsite.
- Non-Swimmer's tags must be left blank
- Beginner's tags must have the top half of the circle filled in with red.
- Swimmer's tags must color the top section red, and the bottom section colored blue.

## *Medical Form Procedures*

### **READ THIS INFORMATION BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR HEALTH AND MEDICAL FORMS**

Upon arrival at camp, all units will undergo a medical screening, or Med-Check, to ensure that they are not only of good health, but are also of good condition to be at camp taking part in various activities. In order for us to complete the Med-Check fully, please make sure the following information is present.

#### **1. San Bernardino County Health Screening Form**

- a. Only fill-out the top-left portion of the form (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial, Camp Name, Arrival Date, and Departure Date)
- b. To the right of this information, and below the Camper and Staff checkboxes, write the Departure Temperature for this individual.
- c. Do not fill out the bottom portion of the form or answer the questionnaire. Our Medical Officers will be asking these questions to you during your Med-Check.

#### **2. BSA Annual Health and Medical Record – Part A**

- a. The Participant must sign their name in the blue box on the form. If the Participant is under the age of 18, the Participant’s Parent/Guardian must sign their name on the form as well.

#### **3. BSA Annual Health and Medical Record – Part B1**

- a. All participants—both youth and adult leaders—are required to attach a photocopy of both sides of their insurance card to their Annual Health and Medical Record. If you do not have have medical insurance, fill in this section with “None”.

#### **4. BSA Annual Health and Medical Record – Part B2**

- a. All participants—both youth and adult leaders—are required to mark “Yes” or “No” for permission to receive Over-the-Counter (OTC) Medications. OTCs include allergy medication, pain relievers, and cold/cough medicine. Youth are required to have a signature validating this permission from a Parent/Legal Guardian or an MD/DO, NP, or PA.

#### **5. BSA Annual Health and Medical Record – Part C**

- a. All participants are required to have undergone a Physical Exam by an MD/DO, NP, or PA. This Physical Exam must have been completed within one (1) year of attendance at camp, and cannot expire while you are at camp.
- b. This form is required to be signed by the MD/DO, NP, or PA that performed your Physical Exam.





## Part A: Informed Consent, Release Agreement, and Authorization

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

### High-adventure base participants:

Expedition/crew No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 or staff position: \_\_\_\_\_

### Informed Consent, Release Agreement, and Authorization

I understand that participation in Scouting activities involves the risk of personal injury, including death, due to the physical, mental, and emotional challenges in the activities offered. Information about those activities may be obtained from the venue, activity coordinators, or your local council. I also understand that participation in these activities is entirely voluntary and requires participants to follow instructions and abide by all applicable rules and the standards of conduct.

In case of an emergency involving me or my child, I understand that efforts will be made to contact the individual listed as the emergency contact person by the medical provider and/or adult leader. In the event that this person cannot be reached, permission is hereby given to the medical provider selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for me or my child. Medical providers are authorized to disclose protected health information to the adult in charge, camp medical staff, camp management, and/or any physician or health-care provider involved in providing medical care to the participant. Protected Health Information/Confidential Health Information (PHI/CHI) under the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information, 45 C.F.R. §§160.103, 164.501, etc. seq., as amended from time to time, includes examination findings, test results, and treatment provided for purposes of medical evaluation of the participant, follow-up and communication with the participant's parents or guardian, and/or determination of the participant's ability to continue in the program activities.

(If applicable) I have carefully considered the risk involved and hereby give my informed consent for my child to participate in all activities offered in the program. I further authorize the sharing of the information on this form with any BSA volunteers or professionals who need to know of medical conditions that may require special consideration in conducting Scouting activities.

**With appreciation of the dangers and risks associated with programs and activities, on my own behalf and/or on behalf of my child, I hereby fully and completely release and waive any and all claims for personal injury, death, or loss that may arise against the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with any program or activity.**

I also hereby assign and grant to the local council and the Boy Scouts of America, as well as their authorized representatives, the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me or my child at all Scouting activities, and I hereby release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all liability from such use and publication. I further authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of said photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the BSA, and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

*Every person who furnishes any BB device to any minor, without the express or implied permission of the parent or legal guardian of the minor, is guilty of a misdemeanor. (California Penal Code Section 19915[a]) My signature below on this form indicates my permission.*

I give permission for my child to use a BB device. (Note: Not all events will include BB devices.)

**Checking this box indicates you DO NOT want your child to use a BB device.**



**NOTE: Due to the nature of programs and activities, the Boy Scouts of America and local councils cannot continually monitor compliance of program participants or any limitations imposed upon them by parents or medical providers. However, so that leaders can be as familiar as possible with any limitations, list any restrictions imposed on a child participant in connection with programs or activities below.**

List participant restrictions, if any:

None

\_\_\_\_\_

I understand that, if any information I/we have provided is found to be inaccurate, it may limit and/or eliminate the opportunity for participation in any event or activity. If I am participating at Philmont Scout Ranch, Philmont Training Center, Northern Tier, Sea Base, or the Summit Bechtel Reserve, **I have also read and understand the supplemental risk advisories, including height and weight requirements and restrictions, and understand that the participant will not be allowed to participate in applicable high-adventure programs if those requirements are not met.** The participant has permission to engage in all high-adventure activities described, except as specifically noted by me or the health-care provider. If the participant is under the age of 18, a parent or guardian's signature is required.

Participant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian signature for youth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(If participant is under the age of 18)

### Complete this section for youth participants only:

#### Adults Authorized to Take Youth to and From Events:

You must designate at least one adult. Please include a phone number.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Adults NOT Authorized to Take Youth to and From Events:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Part B1: General Information/Health History

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**High-adventure base participants:**

Expedition/crew No.: \_\_\_\_\_

or staff position: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Height (inches): \_\_\_\_\_ Weight (lbs.): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit leader: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit leader's mobile #: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Name/No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Health/Accident Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy No.: \_\_\_\_\_

 Please attach a photocopy of both sides of the insurance card. If you do not have medical insurance, enter "none" above.

**In case of emergency, notify the person below:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate contact name: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate's phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Health History

Do you currently have or have you ever been treated for any of the following?

Yes	No	Condition	Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes	Last HbA1c percentage and date: _____ Insulin pump: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hypertension (high blood pressure)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult or congenital heart disease/heart attack/chest pain (angina)/heart murmur/coronary artery disease. Any heart surgery or procedure. Explain all "yes" answers.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family history of heart disease or any sudden heart-related death of a family member before age 50.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stroke/TIA	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asthma/reactive airway disease	Last attack date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lung/respiratory disease	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	COPD	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ear/eyes/nose/sinus problems	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Muscular/skeletal condition/muscle or bone issues	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Head injury/concussion/TBI	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Altitude sickness	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Psychiatric/psychological or emotional difficulties	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neurological/behavioral disorders	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blood disorders/sickle cell disease	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fainting spells and dizziness	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kidney disease	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seizures or epilepsy	Last seizure date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abdominal/stomach/digestive problems	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Thyroid disease	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Skin issues	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Obstructive sleep apnea/sleep disorders	CPAP: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	List all surgeries and hospitalizations	Last surgery date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	List any other medical conditions not covered above	





## Part B2: General Information/Health History

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

High-adventure base participants:

Expedition/crew No.: \_\_\_\_\_

or staff position: \_\_\_\_\_

### Allergies/Medications

DO YOU USE AN EPINEPHRINE AUTOINJECTOR? Exp. date (if yes) \_\_\_\_\_  YES  NO

DO YOU USE AN ASTHMA RESCUE INHALER? Exp. date (if yes) \_\_\_\_\_  YES  NO

Are you allergic to or do you have any adverse reaction to any of the following?

Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain	Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medication		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plants	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Food		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Insect bites/stings	

List all medications currently used, including any over-the-counter medications.

Check here if no medications are routinely taken.  If additional space is needed, please list on a separate sheet and attach.

Medication	Dose	Frequency	Reason

YES  NO Non-prescription medication administration is authorized with these exceptions: \_\_\_\_\_

Administration of the above medications is approved for youth by:

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian signature MD/DO, NP, or PA signature (if your state requires signature)



Bring enough medications in sufficient quantities and in the original containers. Make sure that they are NOT expired, including inhalers and EpiPens. You SHOULD NOT STOP taking any maintenance medication unless instructed to do so by your doctor.

### Immunization

The following immunizations are recommended. Tetanus immunization is required and must have been received within the last 10 years. If you had the disease, check the disease column and list the date. If immunized, check yes and provide the year received.

Yes	No	Had Disease	Immunization	Date(s)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tetanus	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Pertussis	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Diphtheria	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Measles/mumps/rubella	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Polio	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Chicken Pox	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Hepatitis A	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Hepatitis B	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Meningitis	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Influenza	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Other (i.e., HIB)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Exemption to immunizations (form required)	

Please list any additional information about your medical history:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BOX.**

Review for camp or special activity.

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Further approval required:  Yes  No

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Part C: Pre-Participation Physical

This part must be completed by certified and licensed physicians (MD, DO), nurse practitioners, or physician assistants.

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

### High-adventure base participants:

Expedition/crew No.: \_\_\_\_\_

or staff position: \_\_\_\_\_



You are being asked to certify that this individual has no contraindication for participation in a Scouting experience. For individuals who will be attending a high-adventure program, including one of the national high-adventure bases, please refer to the supplemental information on the following pages or the form provided by your patient. You can also visit [www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr](http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr) to view this information online.

### Please fill in the following information:

	Yes	No	Explain
Medical restrictions to participate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain	Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medication		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plants	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Food		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Insect bites/stings	

Height (inches)	Weight (lbs.)	BMI	Blood Pressure	Pulse
			/	

	Normal	Abnormal	Explain Abnormalities
Eyes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ears/nose/throat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lungs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Heart	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Abdomen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Genitalia/hernia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Musculoskeletal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Skin issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

### Examiner's Certification

I certify that I have reviewed the health history and examined this person and find no contraindications for participation in a Scouting experience. This participant (with noted restrictions):

True	False	Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Meets height/weight requirements.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Has no uncontrolled heart disease, lung disease, or hypertension.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Has not had an orthopedic injury, musculoskeletal problems, or orthopedic surgery in the last six months or possesses a letter of clearance from his or her orthopedic surgeon or treating physician.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Has no uncontrolled psychiatric disorders.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Has had no seizures in the last year.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does not have poorly controlled diabetes.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If planning to scuba dive, does not have diabetes, asthma, or seizures.

Examiner's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_

Office phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Height/Weight Restrictions

If you exceed the maximum weight for height as explained in the following chart and your planned high-adventure activity will take you more than 30 minutes away from an emergency vehicle/accessible roadway, you may not be allowed to participate.

#### Maximum weight for height:

Height (inches)	Max. Weight	Height (inches)	Max. Weight	Height (inches)	Max. Weight	Height (inches)	Max. Weight
60	166	65	195	70	226	75	260
61	172	66	201	71	233	76	267
62	178	67	207	72	239	77	274
63	183	68	214	73	246	78	281
64	189	69	220	74	252	79 and over	295



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# IMMUNIZATION EXEMPTION REQUEST

## SOLICITUD DE EXENCIÓN DE INMUNIZACIÓN

On religious, philosophical, or medical grounds, I request exemption for  me and/or  my child from all vaccinations and/or immunizations required by the BSA (found on Scouting.org under Scouting Safely) for attendance to Camp \_\_\_\_\_ operated by the \_\_\_\_\_ Council, Boy Scouts of America.

I understand that a medical evaluation and screening by a licensed health-care practitioner is necessary to reduce the possibility of exposing other camp participants to a communicable disease.

In consideration of these exemptions, I understand that I accept complete responsibility for the health of  me and/or  my child, and I hereby release and agree to hold harmless the Boy Scouts of America and any of its officers, agents, and representatives from any liability that might arise during Scouting activities by virtue of this exemption. It is further understood that, should an emergency arise, (name) \_\_\_\_\_, (telephone) \_\_\_\_\_, will be notified immediately. In the event that this contact cannot be located immediately, the Boy Scouts of America authorities may take such temporary measures as they deem necessary.

Por motivos religiosos, filosóficos o médicos, solicito la exención para mí  o mi hijo  de todas las vacunas o inmunizaciones requeridas por BSA (que se encuentran en Scouting.org bajo Scouting Safely) para asistir al campamento \_\_\_\_\_, operado por el concilio \_\_\_\_\_, Boy Scouts of America. Entiendo que una evaluación médica y el examen por parte de un profesional de la salud con licencia son necesarios para reducir la posibilidad de exponer a otros participantes del campamento a una enfermedad transmisible.

En consideración a estas exenciones, entiendo que acepto completa responsabilidad por mi salud  o la de mi hijo  y por medio de la presente libero y acuerdo eximir a la organización Boy Scouts of America y a cualquiera de sus funcionarios, agentes y representantes de cualquier responsabilidad que pueda surgir durante las actividades Scouting en virtud de esta exención. Queda entendido asimismo que, si surge una emergencia, (nombre) \_\_\_\_\_, (teléfono) \_\_\_\_\_, será notificado inmediatamente. En caso de que este contacto no sea localizado inmediatamente, las autoridades de Boy Scouts of America podrán tomar las medidas temporales que consideren necesarias.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant signature  
Firma del participante

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian signature  
Firma del padre/tutor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date  
Fecha

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (print)  
Nombre (con letra)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
Dirección

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip  
Ciudad, Estado, Código postal



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# Routine Drug Administration Record

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Campsite: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Troop No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Classification: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Drug hypersensitivity: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescribing Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Rx: No Yes Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Medications: \_\_\_\_\_ Date filled: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dosage: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Route: P.O. I.M. S.C. S.L. Topical Inhalation Rectal  
 Times: PRN Daily B.I.D. T.I.D. Q.I.D. A.C. P.C. H.S.  
 Amount in bottle: \_\_\_\_\_ Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Med Time	S	M	T	W	T	F	S

Prescribing Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Rx: No Yes Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Medications: \_\_\_\_\_ Date filled: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dosage: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Route: P.O. I.M. S.C. S.L. Topical Inhalation Rectal  
 Times: PRN Daily B.I.D. T.I.D. Q.I.D. A.C. P.C. H.S.  
 Amount in bottle: \_\_\_\_\_ Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Med Time	S	M	T	W	T	F	S

Prescribing Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Rx: No Yes Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Medications: \_\_\_\_\_ Date filled: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dosage: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Route: P.O. I.M. S.C. S.L. Topical Inhalation Rectal  
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 Amount in bottle: \_\_\_\_\_ Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Med Time	S	M	T	W	T	F	S

P.O. = by mouth  
 PRN = as needed  
 A.C. = before meals  
 I.M. = intramuscular  
 B.I.D. = two times a day  
 P.C. = after meals  
 S.C. = sub-cutaneous  
 T.I.D. = three times a day  
 H.S. = hours of sleep (taken at bedtime)  
 S.L. = sub-lingual-under-tongue  
 Q.I.D. = four times a day

Initial                      Signature                      Name                      Position

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Sheet is for reproduction as needed. It should be three-hole punched and kept in a binder during camp week. Use one sheet for each camper with a prescription. Record all medicines brought to camp (up to FIVE medications per sheet). The medication, dosage and dosage schedule should be copied from the prescription. Record dispensing times and days in the blocks provided for each medication as they are dispensed. After camp, place sheet(s) inside the first aid log.



## California Shooting Sports Parental/Legal Guardian Permission Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Print Name of Parent or Legal Guardian) (Print Name of Child)

hereby give my child express permission and consent to be loaned and possess firearms (handguns and long guns) and ammunition to engage in lawful, recreational sport, including target practice, and/or a course of instruction in the safe and lawful use of a handgun. (Cal. Penal Code §§ 27945, 29610, 29615, 29650, 299655; 18 U.S.C. § 922(x)). As used in this form, "firearms" include any handguns, long guns, or shotguns that may lawfully loaned to and possessed by a minor under state and federal law.

I also give my child express permission and consent to possess, and for a person to loan to my child, a "BB device" as defined in Cal. Penal Code \* 19250. (Cal. Penal Code § 19915).

This consent is valid, absent my express revocation thereof, for the calendar year of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Calendar Year)

A photocopy or facsimile of this written consent will serve as an original.

I represent that I am (1) the parent or legal guardian of the minor named above and (2) not prohibited by Federal, state, or local law from possessing a firearm. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Boy Scouts of America, and any local Council and all officers, members, employees, and volunteers thereof, from all losses, damages, causes of action, cost and expenses, arising from any false statements or representations made by me herein.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# CAMP BIG HORN

## *What to Bring to Camp Big Horn*

The items listed here are suggested general items that were suggested by troops who regularly attend Camp Big Horn. The list includes items for the individual and for the troop.

**Important** Please mark all personal gear with a name and unit number. Please plan to provide adequate protection for your valuables in the form of a lock box, or other means. Be sure to have combinations or spare keys for any locks you are using while at camp. The camp will not be held responsible for valuable items.

### **Suggested General Items**

- Sleeping Bag or Sheets & Blanket for a Twin Mattress
- Pillow
- Mosquito Net
- Toiletries (shampoo, soap, toothbrush, comb, etc.)
- Swimsuit (follow appropriate swimwear requirements)
  - Males: Swim shorts are recommended. Tight fitting, revealing swimsuits or suits short enough to potentially cause exposure are not allowed.
  - Females: Modest tankinis and one-piece swimsuits are appropriate. Bikinis, two-piece suits, revealing swimsuits, or those exposing a bare midriff are not allowed.
- 2 or more towels and washcloths
- Shower shoes
- 7 pairs of socks
- 7 pairs of underwear
- 7 T-Shirts
- 2 or 3 pairs of Pants or Shorts
- 1 Field Uniform (Class A
- 2 pairs of Shoes (closed-toed only)
- Scout/Camp Hat
- Water Bottle
- Backpack/Day Pack
- Rain Gear
- Totin' Chip & Firem'n Chit Cards
- Pocket Knife (Totin' Chip Card required)
- Scout Handbook
- Merit Badge Books
- Flashlight & Extra Batteries
- Paper & Pen
- Bug Spray

- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses
- First Aid Kit
- Spending Money (\$100 suggested)
- Hangers for Shirts/Field Uniform
- Any Merit Badge-Specific Materials

### **Optional Items**

- Stamps & Envelopes

### **Medications**

- Must be checked-in with Unit Leader OR at the Health Lodge

### **Troop Gear**

- Flags (United States & Troop)
- Lashing Poles for Gateway
- Well-stocked First Aid Kit
- Water Cooler (Camp Big Horn will loan one if one is not brought by unit)

### **Leave at Home**

- Large, fixed blade knives
- Fireworks
- Firearms & Ammunition

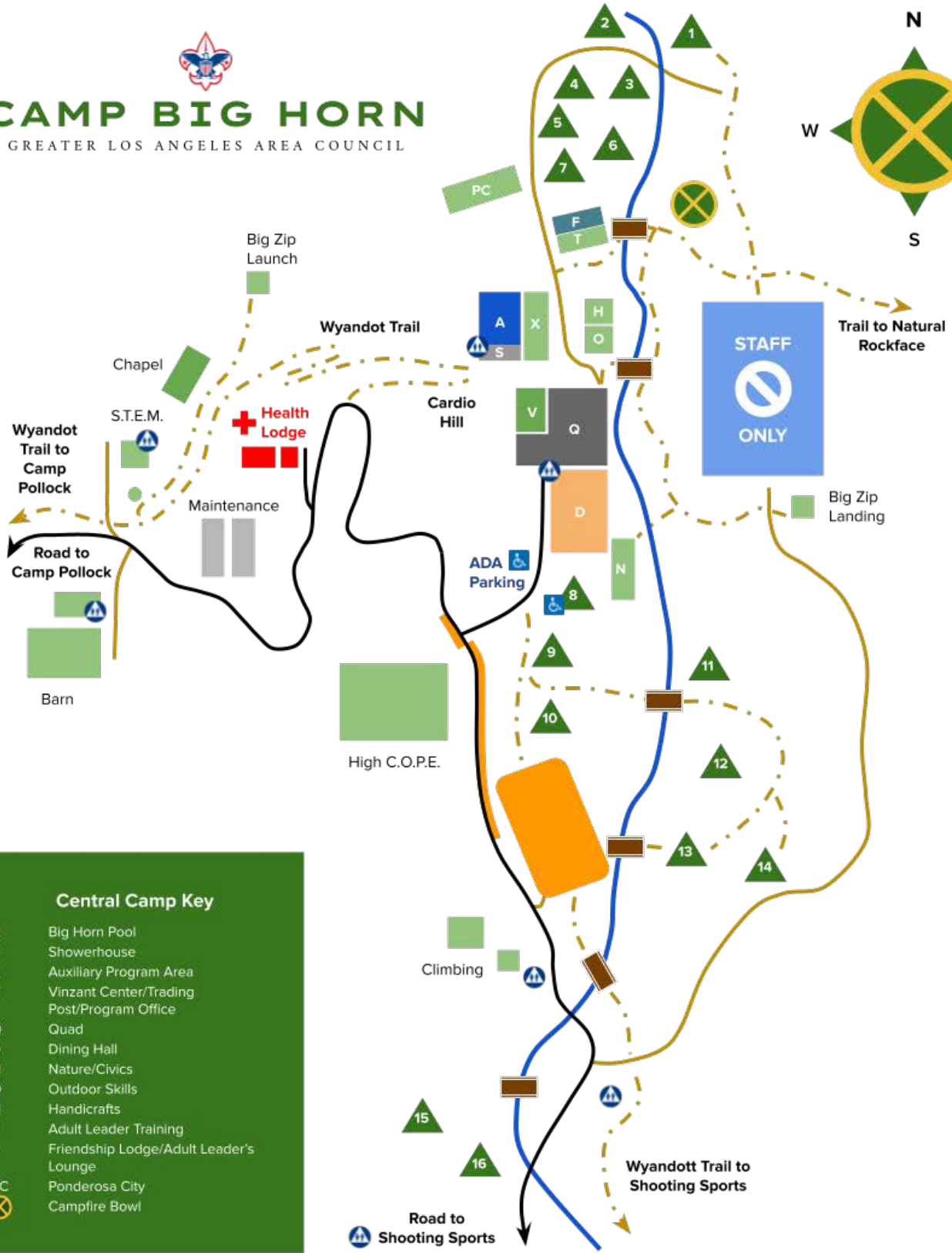
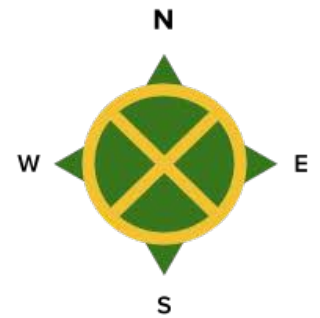
### **Available at Camp**

- Cleaning Supplies
- Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, and Trash Bags



# CAMP BIG HORN

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### Central Camp Key

A	Big Horn Pool
S	Showerhouse
X	Auxiliary Program Area
V	Vinzant Center/Trading Post/Program Office
Q	Quad
D	Dining Hall
N	Nature/Civics
O	Outdoor Skills
H	Handicrafts
T	Adult Leader Training
F	Friendship Lodge/Adult Leader's Lounge
PC	Ponderosa City
X	Campfire Bowl

### Campsite Key

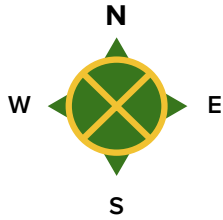
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2	Upper Yuma	10	Carson City
3	Lower Yuma	11	Upper Cheyenne
4	Upper Amarillo	12	Lower Cheyenne
5	Lower Amarillo	13	Lower Tombstone
6	Lower Wichita	14	Upper Tombstone
7	Upper Wichita	15	Upper Forest Creek
8	Upper Virginia City	16	Lower Forest Creek

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### Map Key

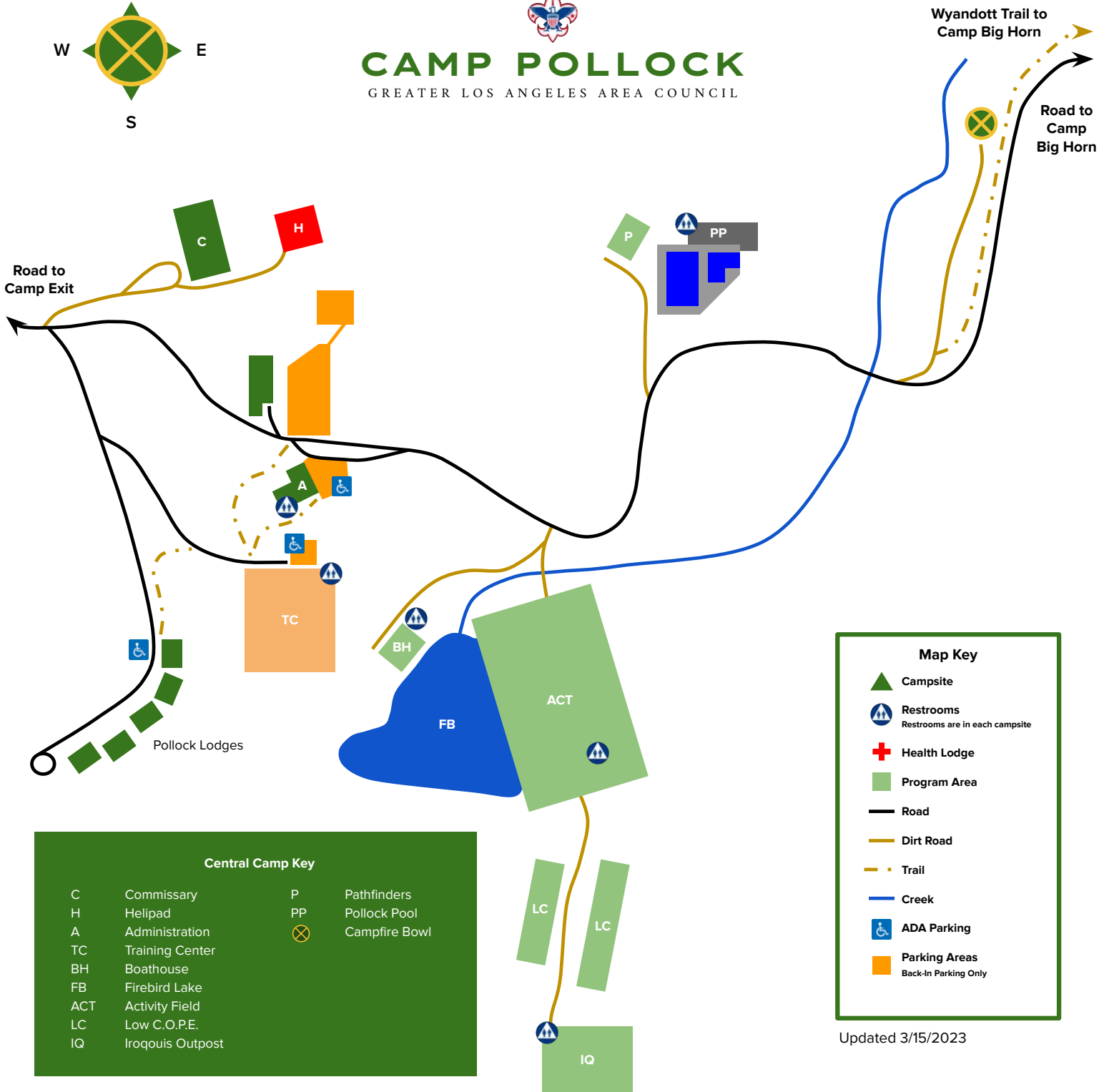
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	Restrooms <small>Restrooms are in each campsite</small>		Trail
	Health Lodge		Creek
	Program Area		Bridge
	Paved Road		Parking Areas <small>Back-In Parking Only</small>





# CAMP POLLOCK

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Central Camp Key	
C	Commissary
H	Helipad
A	Administration
TC	Training Center
BH	Boathouse
FB	Firebird Lake
ACT	Activity Field
LC	Low C.O.P.E.
IQ	Iroquis Outpost
P	Pathfinders
PP	Pollock Pool
X	Campfire Bowl

Map Key	
	Campsite
	Restrooms Restrooms are in each campsite
	Health Lodge
	Program Area
	Road
	Dirt Road
	Trail
	Creek
	ADA Parking
	Parking Areas Back-In Parking Only

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## *Greater Los Angeles Area Council Cancellation and Payment Policies*

Updated October 15, 2022

As always, your safety and the safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is our top priority.

The following information regarding events and prevention measures is based on the latest available guidance. As this is an evolving situation, this information is subject to change. We will continue to update you on relevant developments, and we appreciate your understanding of any necessary adjustments in the interest of health and safety.

### **Council Events**

Should you have any questions or concerns about a specific upcoming event or activity, please reach out to the event organizer or professional staff advisor. We will do everything we can to answer your question using the information available to us.

### **Summer Camp**

After offering two successful summer resident camps in 2022, we look forward to welcoming all our Scouting families this summer. Should it become necessary to close summer camp, your Troop will have three (3) options as to what to do with your unit's deposit. You may:

- A. Apply your deposit (and any subsequent payments to date) to another week of camping this season or in the 2024 season.
- B. You may elect to donate some or all of your deposit to the Council, to help alleviate some of the impact that this challenging pandemic has had on Scouting and our camps.
- C. You may elect to receive a complete and timely refund of all monies paid by check. If you are a Greater LA Scouting Unit, the funds can be deposited back to your unit account which can then be used at our Scout Shops and/or towards future camping and program fees.

In addition to the refund policies above, we want you all to know that all our camps meet or exceed the National Camp Accreditation Program standards for on-site health officers and medical rechecks prior to camp. This includes supervision of policies and procedures by our Council Physician.

This is a changing situation and if it is warranted closer to camp, our Council Health Officer will make additional recommendations regarding sanitation procedures, changes in how we operate to improve "social distancing" at camp, and increased education to campers and staff.

**THE POLICY CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE** 

# CAMP BIG HORN

## General Cancellation Policy

### *For all council/district activities and camp reservations and rentals*

- Any required deposits shall be nonrefundable
- Refund of fees, outside of a deposit, will be processed on a sliding scale according to the following guidelines
  - Requests received 30 or more days prior to event/campout: You will receive 75% of the total event fee, less a non-refundable deposit, if a replacement is available from a wait list
  - Requests received 14-29 days prior to event/campout: You will receive 50% of the total event fee, less a non-refundable deposit
  - Requests received within 13 days prior to event/campout: You will receive a 25% refund. In the event of a documented medical reason (doctor's note required), a death in the immediate family, or a natural disaster, we will consider a 90% refund of the total event fee, less a non-refundable deposit.
- For events where you register as a unit, registrations are transferrable within the same unit to a Scout or adult leader who is not currently registered for the activity

## General Payment Policy

### *Applies to all events/activities except summer resident camp*

Please only sign up confirmed campers as the Cancellation Policy will apply. You may add to your reservation at any time if there is space to do so.

- Reservations booked under 30 days require payment in full.
- Deposit of 50% of total registration cost at time of registration. If being mailed, it must be received within five (5) days of registration day or reservation will be cancelled.
- Balance due thirty (30) days before camp date. If payment is not received, you risk having your reservation cancelled.

## Summer Resident Camp Cancellation & Payment Policies

### *Applies only to summer resident camp*

All payments are non-refundable, and you will forfeit the money paid on spots you drop. If you neglect to make a payment, your unit's reservation will be dropped and you will forfeit all money paid.

- A \$200 initial deposit per unit is required at the time of making a reservation. This deposit is non-refundable, but is applied to your final total.
- First payment of \$208.33 per person is due no later than March 15, 2024.
- Second payment of \$208.33 per person is due no later than April 15, 2024.
- Total Remaining Balance is due no later than May 15, 2024.

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## *Frequently Asked Questions*

To help alleviate the amount of questions we receive prior to camp, we have included some frequently asked questions and answers in this Leader's Guide. Each has a tag on them to help you understand what the question relates to, including questions related to actions before camp (Pre-Camp), daily camp program (Daily Program), daily merit badge program (Merit Badge Program, the unit experience while at camp (At Camp), the health and safety of campers (Health & Safety), and administrative information (Admin).

**Pre-Camp Can my Scout do the swim check before coming to camp?** Yes, we allow—and highly recommend—units to complete their swim checks prior to coming to camp. They will need to complete a Unit Swim Classification Form, found on page 69 of the Appendix. This requires Scouts to complete a Swim Test under the supervision of both a unit leader as well as a certified lifeguard (BSA, YMCA, and/or Red Cross) who must both sign off the form. If a lifeguard is unavailable, you are able to complete your unit's swim tests upon arrival at camp.

**Daily Program Does our Troop/Scouts have to participate in Wednesday activities?** We highly recommend that all units participate in our Wednesday programs, as they are designed to include all members of the unit in team-bonding activities. All units will have scheduled free time during the day outside of lunch, and merit badge classes will not take place during the day.

**Daily Program What is my Scout able to do during Free Time?** After our merit badge programs conclude on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, many of our program areas will be open for Scouts to come by and take part in fun, engaging activities outside of their merit badge schedules. Free Time activities include Open Swimming, Open Crafts, Open Rifle and Shotgun Shooting, Open Archery Shooting, Branding, and more. Most activities come at no additional charge. However, materials to complete craft kits will require additional charges.

**Daily Program Can my Scout work on additional merit badges during Free Time?** No, Camp Big Horn does not allow for Scouts to earn additional merit badges outside of the normal five periods we offer during the day. This is done to ensure that every Scout has an equal opportunity to earn their merit badges by completing all of the requirements for a merit badge, no more and no less. Scouts may be able to work with a counselor on staff to complete partially-earned merit badges. In order to do so, a Scout must first show proof of completing partial requirements. Upon doing so, they must seek approval from the corresponding Area Director. Camp Big Horn is not able to facilitate completing partial requirements for merit badges that are not on our Program Schedule.

**Merit Badge Program Are there any additional costs for merit badges for my Scouts?** Most merit badge programs do not require additional payments, however some programs require fees ranging from \$5 to \$30. Additionally, adult leaders looking to participate in some training opportunities or actives will be required to pay fees ranging from \$10 to \$45. These fees can be paid in advance on BlackPug, or they can be paid at camp in our Trading Post.

**Merit Badge Program** **How do we know what the prerequisites and age requirements are for certain programs?** There is a list of the merit badges that we offer at camp here in the 2024 Leader's Guide, and in the 2024 Program Guide. The program guide has more detailed breakdowns of our programs that shows its difficulty, location within camp, costs that the program may require, and the requirements that the Scout will need to complete before coming to camp. We require all Scouts taking classes with prerequisites to fill out our 2024 Camp Big Horn Merit Badge Prerequisite Form. This form will be required to be submitted on the first day of classes, and must be signed by a unit leader. This form is subject to change prior to arrival at camp.

**Merit Badge Program** **What merit badges are going to be offered this summer on the mountain?** You can find information about our various program areas in this Leader's Guide starting on page 35. For a more detailed description of our program offerings, class difficulty levels, prerequisites, and associated program fees, please view the 2024 Program Guide.

**Merit Badge Program** **Should my Scout buy the merit badge book for their class?** Camp Big Horn's instructors do not require participants to bring a merit badge book with them to their classes. In cases where a merit badge book is required, the instructor will provide copies to Scouts for them to refer to. If a Scout wishes to bring a merit badge book with them to class after they've arrived at camp, the Camp Big Horn Trading Post has a limited number of merit badge books available for purchase.

**Merit Badge Program** **Should my Scout bring the merit badge worksheet with them to camp?** Camp Big Horn's instructors do not require merit badge workbooks to be brought to camp. But, all Scouts learn differently. This would be up to the individual Scout; it never hurts to go over the merit badge before arriving at camp to get some background knowledge on the subject.

**Merit Badge Program** **What is the Pathfinders Program (Trail to First Class)?** The Pathfinders Program is designed for Scouts who have recently joined a Troop or crossed over from a Cub Scout Pack. The program will take Scouts throughout each of the first four ranks on the Trail to Eagle, and will teach them basic Scout skills and methods. They will also have the opportunity to earn Totin' Chip, Firem'n Chit, and the Swimming Merit Badge. This program is not intended to advance your Scout to First Class within a week, but it may help with getting your Scout closer towards it. Our main goal is to ensure that their first summer camp experience is one of the best and that their intro to the Scouting world ignites a fire in them for years to come.

**At Camp** **Can parents and siblings visit the mountain during the week of camp?** Due to the ongoing threat of COVID-19 and related safety issues, we are not able to accommodate visitors at camp. Please contact the Camp Director if you absolutely need to make arrangements for individuals to come to camp during the week.



**At Camp Does my Scout need to bring a tent to camp?** Potentially. As part of our standard campsites, we have standard A-Frame canvas tents already set-up and are ready to use as soon as you arrive. Additionally, our tents sit on state-of-the-art composite wood platforms, that contain a small porch to place chairs and other equipment on. Camp Big Horn also has three campsites that require units to bring their own tents. If a unit wishes to bring their own tents, they are more than able to. Please let us know if your unit wishes to do so in order for us to adequately seat your unit in a campsite.

**At Camp Should my Scout bring their knife to camp?** Yes, as long as your Scout has earned and carries their Totin' Chip and is following the rules. Do note that knives brought to camp must be in line with the Boy Scouts of America's policies on blade size and knife type. We will offer an afternoon program for those who have not yet earned their Totin' Chip and would like to while at camp. Scouts looking to purchase a pocketknife from the Trading Post must have a Totin' Chip on them.

**At Camp I have a CPAP machine, am I able to get power for it?** You will be able to rent a portable battery pack to power your CPAP machine. Do note that these machines are first come, first served, and are required to be rented by paying a fee at the Trading Post upon arrival at camp. To obtain a machine after paying the required fee, please see the Camp Director at the Program Office. The machine must be returned every morning to be charged before the evening.

**At Camp How old do I have to be to be on camp staff?** We require all applicants to be part of the Camp Big Horn staff to be at least age 16 by the start of camp. Certain positions on staff require staff members to be at least age 18 or at least age 21, depending on the relevant National Camp Accreditation Program (NCAP) standard. For those not yet 16, but are ages 14-15 and want to be a part of the staff, we highly recommend that they apply to be a part of the Counselor Training Program. This three-week program will allow for them to learn important skills in leadership, teaching, and counseling, along with having the ability to earn merit badges while at camp. All applicants to our staff and the Counselor Training Program are required to undergo a screening process, and are not guaranteed a position on our staff or a spot in the Counselor Training Program by applying. If you are interested in applying, please fill out our application [here](#).

**At Camp How do we send letters and care packages to camp?** We encourage you to write your Scouts while they are on the mountain. Any mail arriving after your Scout leaves camp will be returned to the sender. We recommend that you mail your letters and packages at least 7-10 days before your Scout arrives at camp so that the items will reach them while they are at camp. All items should be addressed as follows:

#### USPS Mailing Address

Scout Name  
Unit Number & Week Number  
Camp Big Horn  
P.O. Box 8  
Cedar Glen, CA 92321

#### UPS or FedEx Mailing Address

Scout Name  
Unit Number & Week Number  
Camp Big Horn  
29485 Hook Creek Road  
Cedar Glen, CA 92321

**Health & Safety My unit has an individual with a food allergy, intolerance, or dietary restriction. What should I do?** If you have a camper with any dietary restriction, we ask that you fill out the Food Allergies and Intolerance Form on pages 67-68 of the Appendix. This form will ask you to explicitly define what your individual's dietary needs are, and what their preferred substitutions are. Our kitchen staff will make every effort to ensure that their accommodations are met, and we will have a dedicated dietary nutritionist on staff to aid them in meeting these accommodations. To best ensure we meet this goal, we require this form to be submitted to the Camp Director at least 30 days prior to your arrival at camp, along with including it in your unit's Speedy Check-In Binder. Do note that late submissions of this form will result in an incurred fee. Please also make sure your Scout advises the medical team of this dietary restriction during their Med-Check.

**Health & Safety Is there a place to refrigerate medication that we bring to camp?** If your medication requires refrigeration, please be sure the medication is in its original packaging and in a clear plastic bag labeled with the patient's name and troop number. This medication must be submitted to the Campo Health Officer at your Med-Check to be stored at the Health Lodge. Please make sure that you meet the Health Officer at the time you are expected to take your medication either at the Health Lodge (if your medication is not taken prior to a meal or before sleeping), at the Dining Hall (if your medication is taken prior to a meal), or at the Program Office (if your medication is taken prior to sleeping). Times and locations of where to receive your medication can be confirmed with the Camp Health Officer upon arrival at camp.

**Health & Safety Does the medication I bring to camp need to be in its original bottle?** Yes, all medications must be in their original bottle and/or packaging, as well as in a clear plastic bag labeled with the patients name and troop number.

**Health & Safety Can my Scout keep their medication with them or do they need to turn it in?** Unless your Scout is prescribed an Epi-Pen, rescue inhaler, or any other emergency/vital medication, they are not able to keep medication on their person while at camp. It must be turned into the Scoutmaster prior to arrival or to the Camp Health Officers. Units will be provided with a numbered utility box and lock that they can use to secure medications in the campsite. It is the Unit Health Officer's responsibility to ensure that medications stored in this box are distributed to members of their unit at the times that they must be distributed. Please utilize the Routine Drug Administration Record in the Appendix to help organize each Scout's medications. If your Scout's medication required refrigeration, the medication must be submitted to the Camp Health Officer for storage. More information about refrigerated medications are listed above.

**Health & Safety What if our family doesn't have medical insurance?** All Scouts from the Greater Los Angeles Area Council have coverage through a camper accident and sickness insurance policy. Units from outside the Greater Los Angeles Area Council should check with their council to see what coverage is available.

**Health & Safety** **How long is a BSA Annual Health Form good for?** Parts A, B1, and B2 of the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record should be filled out every year. These forms are not required to be signed by a physician, but parents and guardians must sign all parts of these forms—including the Over the Counter Medication Authorization—that require signatures. Part C of the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record must be filled out and signed every year by a physician during a physical exam. Do note that athletic or school physicals are not accepted forms of exams required for Part C.

**Health & Safety** **Do I need Part C of my medical form if I am staying less than 72 hours?** Yes, as of June 2018, Parts A, B1, B2, and C of the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record are required to stay any length of time at a summer resident camp.

**Health & Safety** **Do I need to attach a copy of my Scout's health insurance to their BSA Annual Health Form?** Yes, a health insurance card must be attached to the Scout's BSA Annual Health and Medical Record.

**Admin** **Can my Scout sign-up for activities and programs while on the mountain?** Yes, however, do note that there are no guarantees that a Scout can be placed into a Merit Badge Program after a majority of registration has been completed. We are able to accommodate schedule changes while at camp, but do note that some programs do require an additional fee, and some programs have prerequisites that must be completed prior to camp.

**Admin** **How does my Scout sign-up for their merit badges?** All merit badge and program registration will be taking place online via our BlackPug system. Your unit's contacts listed in BlackPug will receive an email detailing how to sign-up for merit badge classes and other available programs. It is also at this time that you will be able to enter each camper's information, and pay any related program fees. Additionally, you will be assigned a date based off of your week of registration (i.e. Week 1) when you will be able to begin registration, starting in early May. You will not be able to register for merit badges any earlier than that date. For questions related to merit badge registration, please contact us directly.

**Admin** **What if my Scout wants to change their mind and change their merit badge classes?** If your Scout arrives at Camp Big Horn and wants to change merit badge classes, the Scout will talk to their Scoutmaster and they will work with the camp's Program Director or Camp Director to get the Scout in the classes that he/she wants. This will only be possible if there are still openings in the class, so please talk to your Scout in advance to camp about which merit badges they would like to take at Camp Big Horn. Do note that no additional changes will be permitted after Sunday evening.

**Admin** **Will my Scout need to bring Blue Cards?** At Camp Big Horn, we do not use Blue Cards, we use advancement sheets that will be given out to the Scout Leaders at the end of the week showing both the Scouts and Leaders what they have achieved throughout the week. Additionally, the unit's primary contact in Tentaroo will be able to access these advancement sheets after leaving camp on Saturday. For changes that need to be made to your advancement sheets, please talk with the Program Director or the Camp Director to make any applicable changes.

**Admin What is a partial?** If your Scout is not able to complete the requirements of their merit badge while on the mountain, they will receive a partial in-lieu of a “Completed” on your unit’s advancement sheets. The advancement sheet will also list all requirements that the Scout completed at camp, so that this information can later be transferred to a Blue Card for later completion with an approved Merit Badge Counselor. If you believe that your Scout completed a merit badge, please talk with the Program Director or the Camp Director so that we can review the Instructor Record Sheet and/ or talk with the instructor to see if your Scout completed the merit badge.

**Admin If I am an adult leader not from California, do I need to be in compliance with California AB-506?** Registered adult leaders from units that are registered out-of-state do not need to be in compliance with CA AB-506. Only registered adult leaders from units registered within the State of California need to complete the mandatory LifeScan Fingerprinting background checks and the California Mandated Reporter Training. For more information, please see page 65 in the Appendix.

**Admin How long does my California AB-506 Mandated Reporter Training Certification last?** AB-506’s Mandated Reporter Training Certification is only required to be taken one time, and does not expire. While this training covers topics found in the BSA’s Youth Protection Training, it is not a supplement to it. Please make sure that you are up to date on your Youth Protection Training before coming to camp.

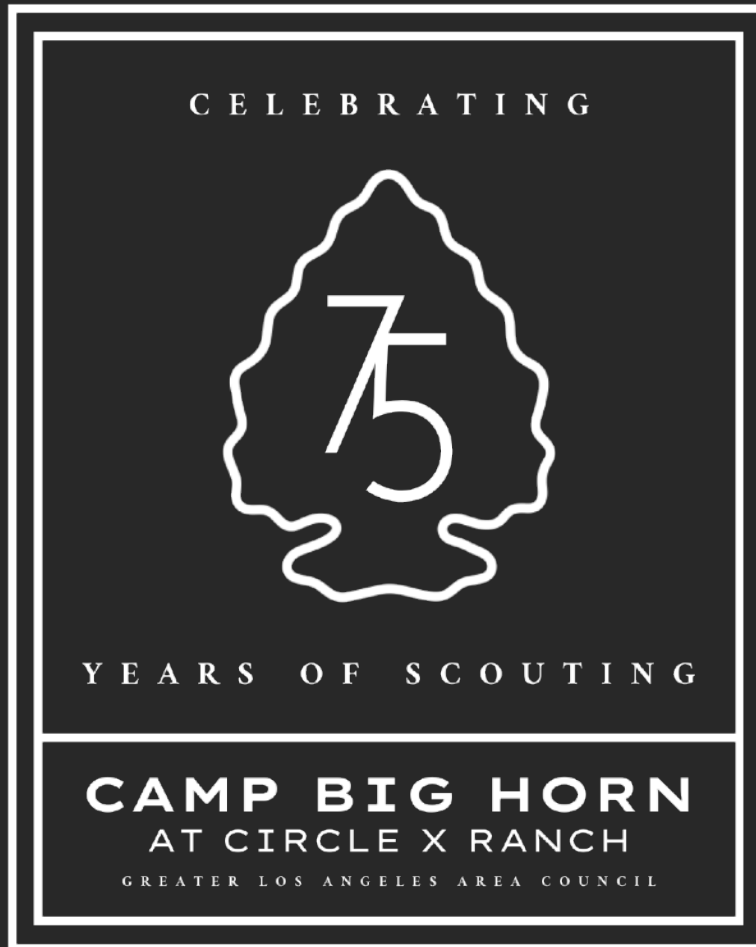
**Admin Does my 2024 Summer Resident Camp payment cover the required cost for the LifeScan Fingerprinting background checks?** No, the associated costs for the LifeScan Fingerprinting background checks are not covered by your payments to attend camp.











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