2020 TASTE OF READ & WEBELOS CAMP PARENTS’ GUIDE

Taste of Read
August 9th – 12th

Webelos Resident Camp
August 12th – 15th
Why Try a 3-day Resident Camp?

Scouting adventure is around every turn in the trail. BB guns, archery, hiking, fishing, swimming, campfires and much more await every Webelos, Arrow of Light, and 1st year Scout in Camp Waubeeka at the Read Scout Reservation.

Cubs and Scouts will take part in all of those activities and more as they also complete a variety of advancement activities related to the level of Scouting program in which they are involved.

Your Scout is guaranteed to try something new as they trade their TV and video game time for hands on experiences and social activities.

During their stay they will live in two-person canvas wall tents set on platforms with cots and mattresses. Each Scout will be assigned to a group with dedicated Leaders, just like they are at home.

All meals will be prepared by our Dining Hall staff and served to them in the McIntyre Pavilion. We have no less than 2 EMT’s on property at all times, and more than 50% of our staff is trained in First Aid and CPR. Your and your Scouts’ safety is at the forefront at all times.

Summer camp is challenging, adventurous; it’s full of possibility. It’s an opportunity to let your Scout go a little – let them stand on their own two feet and give them a chance to learn new skills and gain confidence.
Activities

**Hiking and Nature**
The best part of being at Camp Read is being surrounded by nature! We take advantage of the hiking trails, streams, trees, lake and all the critters that live with us. Campers will learn AND have fun while working on outdoor advancement. There is an observation pit in camp with reptiles and amphibians that campers will study (and then release). Principles of Leave No Trace will be taught in order that we can all be a friend to Nature!

**Horseback Riding**
Camp Read is one of the few Scout Camps that offers Horseback riding as an activity. Scouts will learn about horse care and can ride in the corral.

**Scout Skills**
Scout Skills are now more prominent in Scout Advancement, especially in the Webelos program and the early ranks in the Troop. Campers will have demonstrations and hands-on activities, like campfire cooking to look forward too. And of course, there will be plenty of other skills, like knots, fire building and knife safety.

**Service**
There will be a small service project, scaled to their abilities such as cleaning a trail or program area. Also, Scouts will have a turn during the week to assist our service staff with setting up for lunch and dinner and bussing the tables at the end of the meals. Scouts have an opportunity to learn responsibility and what it means to “Help Other People”.

**Shooting Sports**
Campers will have an opportunity to learn to shoot Archery, Sling Shots and BB guns., which Scouts consider one of their favorite things to do at camp! All shooting sports occur under proper supervision by certified instructors. Please do not bring any type of firearm/sling shot to camp.

**Down Time**
Fun and excitement ALL the time can be exhausting! Each day, scouts are given siesta from 1-2 p.m. after lunch to recharge and den time to work on skits for campfire or play board games. Lights out is 9:30 p.m.
Webelos Camp

What Adventure Pins are being offered?

Incoming Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts will have a chance to get a jump on their rank by earning Adventure Pins while in camp. This year we are offering: Webelos Walkabout (required, only for Webelos), Outdoor Adventurer (required, only for Arrow of Light), Aquanaut, Build It, Castaway, Earth Rocks, Engineer, and Into the Woods. Scouts will earn 5 of these during their stay with us. This is a great opportunity to learn outdoor skills while spending time with their fellow den members! Schedules will be assigned upon arrival, and requests for certain Adventures should be emailed for consideration to wpc.camping@scouting.org once your Scout is registered for Camp.

Who can participate?

This year’s program is set up for Bears becoming Webelos in September, as well as Webelos crossing into Arrow of Light. Den Leaders are also more than welcome to come with their Scout and/or den and help out.

Are they only focusing on the Adventure Pins?

Certainly not! There will be many opportunities to participate in some of the other great activities that Camp Read has to offer, such as BB Gun shooting, Archery, and more! Your scouts will come home with a greater appreciation of the outdoors, new friends, and a sense of confidence in themselves.

Do both myself and my scout need the full medical form?

Yes, this is a BSA resident camp and we are required to have the full 4-page BSA medical form filled out and signed by a physician for all our campers and staff. These forms can be mailed in or dropped off at our office at least a week prior to camp, which would help check in go faster. Adults staying over in camp will need the same form filled out and signed by their physician. Do NOT email the form, it must be a paper copy.

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What Merit Badges are being offered?
Scouts will have a chance to earn 3 merit badges of the 12 we are offering during this 3-day program. This year we are offering: Archery, Art, Basketry, Chess, Fishing, Geology, Indian Lore, Leatherwork, Mammal Study, Nature, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Weather.

Schedules will be assigned upon arrival, however you may select the badges during sign up or email us once your Scout is registered for Camp at wpc.camping@scouting.org.

Who can participate?
This year’s program is set up for Scouts who have never been to Resident Camp before, typically their first or second year in the troop. Parents or Troop Leaders are also more than welcome to come with their Scout/s and help out.

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Is there anything else needed for them to complete the merit badges?
For most of the badges there is no outside work or material costs required to complete the badges. We do heavily recommend that they acquire and read through the merit badge pamphlets for all merit badges they are going to do. Archery, Chess, Fishing, Geology, Indian Lore, Mammal Study, Nature, Weather have no outside work or costs.

Art – completion of #6, a written report signed by parent or Scoutmaster

Basketry – there is a fee of $20 for materials required to complete necessary projects, which they take home

Leatherwork – there is a fee of $20 for materials required to complete necessary projects, which they take home

Reptile & Amphibian Study – completion of #8 prior to camp
Tips for Parents of First Time Campers

1) You both need time to adjust! One of the worst things you can say is “If you don’t like it, call me and I’ll come get you”. If they ask, “Will you miss me?” instead of just saying yes! Say “I can’t wait to hear about all of the amazing things you did!”

2) Packing tip ~ each outfit will very likely fit in a gallon-size plastic zip lock bag. This will keep it dry if their bag falls out of the tent on a rainy day, and gives them no excuse not to put on fresh underwear!

3) Mail out a letter before they even leave, keeping it positive. Don’t include things like “the house is lonely” or “I’m sad you’re not here”. Reassure them that you can’t wait to hear about their fantastic week.

4) Kiss them goodbye and leave quickly. Dragging out your departure is not good for your emotional stability or your Scout’s.

5) Your Scout’s summer camp experience is an opportunity for growth and independence! They will be stronger for it.

Camp Planning in 4 Easy Steps

**Step 1: Read this Guide entirely.** Even if your Scout has been to Read before, there are many changes and new programs that he or she will need to know about. This guide will explain many of those in detail. If it is your Scout’s first time, this guide will be invaluable!

**Step 2: Get Organized.** Organization before camp is critical! Make sure that they know what you have packed for them and where it is in the bag.

**Step 3: Ask questions.** If you are unsure of anything, please don’t hesitate to reach out. Parents’ questions should be directed to Den Leaders to streamline communications with Council, when possible.

**Step 4: Help us help you.** The Read staff has built the camp’s reputation based on a very cooperative working relationship with parents and leaders. We will all work together to give your Scout the best possible experience at summer camp.

How to Contact Us

Due to the sheer volume of phone calls that come into our camping office, we ask that you attempt to use alternative methods for answering your questions before calling the Council Service Center. **Parents - we ask that you call a leader with questions, not the Service Center.** A leader who can ask several questions at once and reduce the number of calls is preferred and is a tremendous help in providing timely service. **As well, if your Scout is attending with his/her pack or den, all payments must be made through them. We are no longer able to take payments via credit card through our office for Camp Reservations, they should be made through the website.**

If your Scout is coming without his/her, contact us by:

1) Our Web site, www.wpcbsa.org/cubcamps, has extensive information, including this entire guide and more.
2) E-mail - The e-mail address of the Camping Department is wpc.camping@Scouting.org.
3) Telephone - The Council Camping Department can be reached at 914-773-1135, extension 2612.
4) Mail - Our Council office address is:
   
   Att: Camping Dept., Westchester-Putnam Council, BSA, 41 Saw Mill River Road, Hawthorne, NY 10532.

5) Fax - The Camping Department direct fax number is 914-449-9690.
DEPARTURE SCHEDULE

- Camp will have final breakfast and flag ceremony from 8:00am - 9:00am.
- Parents should arrive no later than 9:30am to check out their Scout. Camp staff will deliver your Scouts' gear to the parade field across from the parking area.
- Scouts will be dismissed **ONLY** from the McIntyre Pavilion after a parent or guardian has signed them out and received their packet with medical form and advancement.
- If you are carpooling with another family, please be sure to fill out the Out of Camp permission form and turn it in at check-in.
Getting to Camp

The street address at Curtis S. Read Scout Reservation is:

1377 Palisades Road, Brant Lake, NY 12815

Driving
Take the Northway (Interstate 87) North to exit 25.
Make a RIGHT onto Route 8 to Brant Lake.
Make a LEFT onto Palisades Rd. at NORTHERN end of Brant Lake, at sign directing you to camp.

Council Transportation
Council transportation is available to and from Camp and the Hawthorne Service Center ~ but only on Sundays and Saturdays.
Reservations must be made a minimum of 2 weeks prior to camp.
Council vans are subject to cancellation if there are less than 3 riders.

The cost is $100.00 one way. Pick up on Sunday would be at 9am and return on Saturday will be around 1pm.
The WPC Council Service Center address is: 41 Saw Mill River Rd., Hawthorne, New York 10532.

Scouts should bring a lunch. All gear should be properly packed in duffel bags, packs or suitcases. Foot lockers CANNOT be transported.

Life in Camp

Meals
Sunday dinner is the first meal served at camp. Scouts or leaders who need special diets due to medical or religious requirements will be accommodated, but we must know ahead of time. The Food Allergies & Dietary Needs form should be submitted at least two weeks before your arrival at camp. This form can be downloaded from our website: www.wpcbsa.org/read/forms.

Showers & Latrines
Our shower houses are newly constructed and feature individual shower stalls with locking doors and a bench.

Each campsite throughout the reservation has a set of newly constructed latrine units. There are 3 toilet stalls per set, individually locking, as well as a shared sink outside of the stalls. Each unit has holders for toilet paper and all bowls have seats. Camp provides all paper goods and hand soap.

Trading Post
Waubeeka’s trading post is located behind the Commissary. Inventory includes T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, snacks, and more. There is a larger trading post located in Buckskin where parents can pick up forgotten items and more.

There is no specific amount of money a Scout should bring to camp, but on the average, Scouts spend between $10 and $20. No candy or ice cream will be sold just before meals.
Getting Around Camp

**Personal Vehicles**

Personal automobiles are prohibited from campsites and program areas. Requests to drive into a camp site for health reasons must be submitted to Central Office in writing prior to camp arrival.

The speed limit on camp roads is 10 MPH in the camp zones, and 15 MPH in between camps.

Seatbelts must be worn by all vehicle occupants at all times. No one may ride in the back of a pick-up truck, with or without a cap, or in/on a trailer under any circumstances.

The designated parking area in Waubeeka is across the road from the retreat field and across from Cascade camp site. At Buckskin, it is on the corner of the retreat field, across the road from the Ecology area. Vehicles should not be parked along roads at any time.

**Leaving Camp During The Week**

Anyone leaving camp during the scheduled camp session must sign out in their respective Camp Office. The sign out log is kept in each office. A Scout may not leave camp with anyone other than the unit leader or a parent or guardian, without the Permission for Scout To Leave Camp form which can be downloaded at www.wpcbsa.org/read/forms.

**Communications While At Camp**

**Telephone**

Emergency or Camp business calls only may be made to the reservation office at 518-494-2228. A message will be sent to your Scout’s camp office if they receive a call.

**Cell Phones**

Parents and leaders should discourage Scouts from bringing cell phones to camp. They can prove to be an unwelcome distraction for your Scout and his/her fellow Scouts, detract from the peaceful outdoor environment and may be lost or stolen. There are no secure locations for Scouts or leaders to recharge their phones.

**Internet Access**

Wireless Internet access is available around each of the camp offices and at the Reservation Office as a courtesy to our adult leaders. Scouts should not bring computers to camp. Available bandwidth is very limited and may not be suitable for leaders attempting to work remotely.
Mailing address
Mail is delivered Monday through Saturday. Each campsite has a mailbox in the Camp office for incoming and outgoing mail. Stamps are available for purchase in the Trading Post. The use of the complete address, as in the example below, is important to ensure proper delivery. We will attempt to return items received after a Scout leaves camp.

Scout Name
Pack Number / Community
Camp Waubeeka
Curtis S. Read Scout Reservation
1377 Palisades Road #1
Brant Lake, New York 12815

Rules of the Reservation

The Scout Oath and Law
Deliberate damage to camp property will result in the person or persons responsible being sent home immediately without return of fee in part or whole. The cost to replace damaged camp property may be billed to the parent.

Leadership
Adults attending camp must be registered via the online system with full legal name and DOB. Per NYS law, we must check each adult staying overnight on property against the NYS Sex Offender Registry. Please advise the Reservation Office of any leadership changes ASAP.

The following requirements are to make sure that everyone youth and adult are protected. These requirements are from the State of New York and the Boy Scouts of America.

• At camp more than 72 hours (three nights) - Any adult (18+) is required to be Registered with the BSA including a current Youth Protection Certificate and must be cleared by the State of New York – Sex Offender Registry
• At camp 12 to 47 hours (two nights) – Any adult (18+) is required to have a current BSA Youth Protection Certificate and must be cleared by the State of New York – Sex Offender Registry
• At camp under 12 hours (overnight) – Any adult (18+) is recommended to have a current BSA Youth Protection Certificate and must be cleared by the State of New York – Sex Offender Registry
• Any adult (18+) that is having contact with Scouts is strongly recommended to take the Youth Protection Course

Every adult must be currently certified as having completed the BSA Youth Protection training. If an adult is not currently certified with YPT, time will be provided within the first 24 hours of arrival to complete this training online. We recommend prior to arrival, as Wi-Fi will be faster at home. Youth protection training is available on My.Scouting.org.

Scouts are to be adequately supervised during their stay in camp including:

• The buddy system should be explained and enforced.
• Scouts should not be left unsupervised in campsites.
• Periodic checks should be made throughout the day and evenings to assure that the Scouts are where they should be. (The advancement schedule and activity schedule reports from the registration system can be used for this purpose.) At a minimum, Scouts should be accounted for at meal times and at Taps.
Day Visitors
Parents and other family members are welcome to visit camp and must report to the Camp Waubeeka office to obtain a visitor’s wristband. The Reservation does not provide overnight family accommodations.

Meal reservations for visitors should be made through the Reservation Office two or three days before arrival. Seating for visitors may be limited at some meals. Guest Meal Fees: $10.00 per person, per meal.

Alcohol/Drugs
Alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or illegal use of prescription drugs are not permitted in camp. Anyone found to be in possession of or under the influence of such will be asked to leave camp.

Firearms/Archery Equipment
Personal .22 rifles, shotguns, and archery equipment are permitted in camp only if they are locked up immediately upon arrival in camp, and then immediately after use at the range. Personal ammunition is not permitted in camp. Under no circumstances are handguns permitted in camp.

Gas/Liquid Fuel
Adult leaders may use propane, liquid fuel, or electric lanterns out of doors only. No open flames of any type are permitted in any tent. (This includes smoking!)

Other Prohibited Items
In addition to items outlined above, the following items are prohibited in camp: pocket knives, sheath knives, aerosol bug spray, pets, fireworks, chain saws, and ALL electronic games and cell phones. Valuables can be lost or stolen, can prove to be a distraction to Scouts and detract from the peaceful outdoor environment. Also note that having a cell phone tends to make it worse for homesick Scouts. We will have experienced cub scout leaders on staff to assist with homesickness or anxiety. We will only call parents as a last resort.

Behavior
Parents should reinforce good behavior habits with their Scout before they arrive at camp. Scouts are expected to cooperate with the adult leaders and follow directions. Scouts should not engage in behavior that bullies or belittles another scout. Scouts are expected to respect the property of others and not enter anyone’s tent or take their property without permission. Small infractions will be handled by Den Leaders. Multiple infractions will lead to action by the camp administration, which could include calling parents, suspension of activities or expulsion from camp. All rules of privacy will be STRICTLY enforced when changing and showering. The shower house has individual stalls with locking doors to ensure privacy. Camp rules will be explained and acknowledged by Scout and parent at check in.

Weather
You are coming to camp in the gorgeous Adirondack Mountains! While it is summer, and the days should be warm, it can get down to the 40s at night. Rain is also a frequent visitor in the mountains. Please be sure that your Scouts have warm clothes, a sleeping bag, as well as rain gear.
Packing List

If you don’t want it lost/damaged/destroyed, then a good rule of thumb is to LEAVE IT HOME.

GETTING YOUR GEAR TO CAMP!

Having your scout be organized and his/her belongings stay dry makes the stay at camp much more pleasant! There are a variety of options you can choose and here are some helpful tips on packing your Scout’s gear:

1. Be sure to have your scout pack the gear WITH you so he/she will know where stuff is located!
2. Pack each day’s clothes together in a large zip-lock bag marked with the day of the week.
4. Include a laundry bag or garbage bag for dirty items.
5. A quick dry towel makes their life a lot drier and easier.
6. Be sure to label all shampoo, soaps, etc. so they know what they are using.
7. ALL clothing and gear should be LABELED with your scout’s name and pack.
8. No disposable ponchos please—they are dangerous on the trails and don’t last. Cut a long poncho so it comes to just below the knees.
9. Camp fans are fine but please don’t send spray bottles with attached fans.
10. PLEASE no gear in large plastic bags, crates or wire bins—everything should be stowed in a duffel, backpack or foot locker.
11. Do NOT pack any food in gear!

Recommended Personal Equipment

- Backpack / duffle bag
- Sleeping bag and/or pillow
- Field uniform (class A)
- Swimsuit
- Jacket / fleece / sweatshirt
- Hiking Boots (waterproof)
- Pants / shorts / zip-offs (3 days)
- Rain gear
- Bandana / hat
- Shoes that can get wet (req’d if boating/rafting)
- Sneakers or 2nd pair of boots
- Socks (3 days+)
- Underwear (3 days)
- T-shirts (3 days)

If required, Prescription medications must be in original containers only

- Flashlight or headlamp & extra batteries
- Insect repellant (non-aerosol only)
- Other essential toiletries
- Soap / shampoo / deodorant
- Shower shoes/flip flops
- Sunscreen (non-aerosol only)
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Towels and washcloths
- Plastic bags—1 or 2-gallon
- Spending money
- Water Bottle / hydro pack or Day pack

Optional

- Mosquito Netting, & accessories to attach
- Camp Chair
- Summer Reading Book

Please Do NOT Bring-

*ANY snacks due to peanut allergies
*IPods or Gameboys or other electronics
Medical Information

Medical Forms
All Scouts and adults must have a physical examination by a physician within 12 months prior to attending camp. **Those without a completed medical cannot be permitted to take part in activities until we have the proper forms.** Medical forms are REQUIRED by New York State for anyone staying in camp at least one night.

*See your Den Leader for when they will require forms by, Camp Health Office requests them at least 3 weeks prior to your arrival at camp, and they cannot be submitted electronically, only via paper copies.*

The form required by our Health Office is below, you will need to submit these to our office two weeks prior to your arrival at camp. The BSA Medical Form has Parts A, B, & C ~ All are required for ALL participants (require parent and physician signatures). This PDF fillable forms can be found at: https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf

Be sure to supply your Den Leader, if attending, with at least three emergency contact names and phone numbers (that will be valid during the Scout’s time in camp).

Health Lodge
The Read Scout Reservation has a Health Lodge to provide first aid, which is staffed 24 hours a day by qualified health personnel. All injuries, no matter how small, should be reported to the Health Lodge or to your Camp Office. Persons with serious injuries or illnesses requiring hospitalization will be transported to either one of the Hudson Headwaters Health Centers or the Glens Falls Hospital. The camp has an agreement for treatment at both locations.

Medications
Everyone, youth or adult, who uses any medication (prescription or OTC), must ensure that they bring enough medication for their entire stay. **All medications must be in their original containers.**

While in camp, all medications must be held by the camp health officer. Emergency medication, such as inhalers, and Epipens can be held by individuals. Please ensure that your Scouts bring all of their normal medications to camp. A week at camp is not the time to experiment with not taking medications.

The adult leaders going to camp must familiarize themselves with each Scout’s medical information. **Camp leaders must be familiar with any allergies or special health conditions.** Ensure that they are marked clearly on each Scout’s medical form.

Over the Counter Medication
The New York State Department of Health Regulations only allow for parents and legal guardians to administer OTCs. Due to this fact, we are not allowed to dispense any OTCs to your Scouts.

The only medications that can be administered by our Health Staff are the SCHEDULED medications. Any prescription over-the-counter medications that are “as needed” will not be able to be administered by our staff.
**Allergies**

To ensure your Scout has a good, healthy experience at camp, please be sure to make your den leaders aware of any food allergies he/she may have, and to fill out the Food & Dietary Needs Form and submit a few weeks ahead of time, so that our Food Service Manager is aware as well. Scouts must be able to manage their allergy restrictions as well. **DO NOT SUBMIT WITH MEDICAL FORMS.** These should be emailed to wpc.camping@scouting.org.

**Insurance**

Our Council carries accident and health insurance, through Health Special Risk, Inc. (HSR), on each Scout and adult leader registered in our Council. The cost is included in the annual fees. **Out-of-Council units must provide their own accident and health insurance.**

In the event a Scout needs medical attention by an outside health care provider all fees and bills should be handled in the following manner:

- Complete a claim form (available from Camp Health Officer or Council Camping Secretary) from HSR and submit it along with the health care provider’s itemized billing statement directly to HSR IMMEDIATELY. Please follow the directions on the claim form completely. HSR will automatically pay the first $300.00 on every claim. Do not send any completed claim forms and/or bills to the Council Service Center.

- For claims exceeding $300.00: After submitting claim to HSR, submit any outstanding bills to the parent/guardian’s private health insurance.

- After the parent/guardian’s insurance has paid their maximum limit, the remainder of the outstanding balance (if any) can be submitted to HSR as a continuation of the original claim. You must provide an explanation of paid benefits from the parent/guardian’s insurance along with the claim. Although the claim is originally submitted to HSR, the parent/guardian’s health insurance is considered primary. HSR will only make payment on claims over $300.00 after proof of payment from the primary carrier is presented.

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to ensure that their Scout’s claim (if any) is submitted and satisfied. Please **do not** ask the health care providers to forward claim information or additional bills to the Council or Camp. In the event there are difficulties with a claim, you may contact the Hawthorne office for information and assistance (914) 773-1135 ext. 2614.

**Special Needs**

Scouts or adults who have special needs due to a physical or mental disability will be accommodated to the best of our ability. The Special Needs Accommodation Form should be submitted at least two weeks prior to camp. The form can be downloaded from our website. **DO NOT SUBMIT WITH MEDICAL FORMS.**

**Check In Day ~ Help your Scouts start having fun!!**

Incomplete or incorrectly filled out medical forms can cause problems at check in time. Please make sure your Scout’s fun is not held up by an incomplete form, as he/she will not be able to participate in any activities until everything is in order. Things that our staff will double check on Sunday at medical recheck:

1) Did the physician complete and sign the AHMR (BSA medical form)?
2) Was the Medical exam completed within the last 12 months?
3) Are the immunization lines filled out with dates of shots clearly indicated?
4) Are the emergency contact information lines legible, as well as the insurance information?
5) Are all other areas of the medical forms completely filled out and legible?
WAUBEEKA CAMP RULES

◊ We are **Trustworthy** - we don’t take anything that doesn’t belong to us or enter anyone’s tent without permission.

◊ We are **Loyal** and ALWAYS use the Buddy System when moving through camp.

◊ We are **Helpful** to all! We recognize the Cub Scout sign and are quiet when it is given.

◊ We are **Friendly**! Campers should treat each other well! No bullying or name calling.

◊ We are **Courteous** - we keep our hands to ourselves - no pushing, shoving, hitting.

◊ We are **Kind** - we try to make others feel better to the best of our ability.

◊ We **Obey** our adult leaders at all times.

◊ We **Obey** all Safety Rules for all activities.

◊ We are **Cheerful**! We have a happy attitude and share it with others!

◊ We are **Thrifty** - we don’t waste food and resources. We do not litter, and we leave our camp better than we found it.

◊ We are **Brave**! We alert adults when something is wrong.

◊ Our language and actions are always **Clean**, as well as our bodies.

◊ We are **Reverent** - we say Grace before every meal. We respect the beliefs of others. We are able to observe our own beliefs while at camp.

_Expectations._ Resident Camp is a place for Scouts to come to feel safe and have fun. Our camper’s safety and well-being is our first priority. Resident Camp prohibits behaviors that are not aligned with Scouting’s values. In order to maintain the highest level of safety, the camp has rules and disciplinary actions that are reviewed the first day at camp. Disciplinary actions depend on the severity of the offense and include being removed from a current activity for a time out, being removed from an activity permanently and parents notified, and being removed from camp permanently and parents notified to retrieve Scout.
Camperships

It is the desire of the Westchester-Putnam Council that all Scouts attend camp regardless of financial resources. To that end, partial camp scholarships are available for Scouts both in the Westchester-Putnam Council and out-of-council, to attend our camps. Confidential applications are available on our website, https://www.wpcbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/ReadCampershipApplication.pdf. Scholarships awarded CANNOT be transferred from one Scout to another. Please submit an application as soon as possible with $50 deposit. Applications can still be submitted after March 31st but may not be awarded as our limited resources are given first to on-time applicants.

Westchester-Putnam Council Events and Program Refund Policy

The $50.00 deposit (per Scout) is non-refundable but may be transferred from one Scout to another within a Pack. All deposits will be credited toward the balance of fees due. **Include names with all payments sent to the office to ensure proper credit! We encourage you to utilize the online registration system for all payments and sign-ups.

This policy is specific to Curtis S. Read Scout Reservation (CSR). You are eligible for a percentage-based refund depending upon when you request your refund, based on the following time frame:

- 30 days or more before day 1 of your scheduled week; 100% of payments to date, less per person deposit, is refundable.
- From 16-29 days before day 1 of your scheduled week; 50% of payments to date, less per person deposit, is refundable.
- Less than 15 days before day 1 of your scheduled week; no refund is available unless there has been a medical emergency.

Accepted reasons for full refunds (less $50 deposit):

- Summer School Attendance: a letter from the school stating that the Scout must attend summer school must be submitted within 1 week of the last date of school, before Scout is scheduled to arrive at CSR.
- Death in the family: a note from the parents must be received before Scout is scheduled to arrive at CSR.
- Medical: a letter from the doctor stating that the Scout’s medical condition prohibits participation at camp must be received before the Scout is scheduled to arrive at CSR.

All requests for refunds must be in writing to the Scout Executive, Westchester-Putnam Council, BSA, 41 Saw Mill River Road, Hawthorne, NY 10532. The postmark determines the date of a request for refunds.

Cancellation by the Council

If the Westchester-Putnam Council or National Boy Scouts of America or any agency that has contracted with the Council cancels an activity, the Council will issue a full 100% refund (including any Deposit Money).