

Summer Camp 2008
July 27th – August 2nd
Lost Lake Scout Reservation
Parent/Scout Action List

It's that time of year again. Time to plan for summer camp. Attached is the camp information for this year (it is pulled from a much larger leader document, so ignore page numbers). If you are interested in reading the entire document, it can be found on the council website at www.cvc-bsa.org under Summer Camp Information, Boy Scout Camping, 2008 Leaders Guide. Health & Campership forms and maps are also available on the website. Please follow the steps below to assist in a smooth preparation for the camping experience.

Tonight:

- For those in need, complete the Campership form (available upon request) and turn it in to one of the Scoutmasters or Vicky Vaillancourt. Funds are available through the scout office to pay up to 50% of the camp cost. Take advantage of this offer if you cannot afford the entire amount. We will accept forms through March 17th but funds are usually allocated on a first come, first served basis so get them in quickly.

By March 31st (Latest Date):

- Read the attached information
- Pay your \$50 deposit. Checks should be made payable to *Troop 51*. If you have the funds in your account, please make arrangements for payment with Paul Bellemare by this date.
- Complete the Camper Activity Request form. This is completed by the scout with the parent or leader assistance. (Lets us know what the scout's interests are during camp. Please realize that this is a request form and that not all requests may be honored due to conflicts in schedules, etc.). Prompt completion of this form is very important so that we can get the requests to the camp as early as possible before classes fill up.

By May 19th (Latest Date):

- Pay the remainder of the camp fees (\$170) to Paul Bellemare (this includes the \$5 Cracker Barrel and \$5 McDonald's money). If you have received Campership funds, please notify Paul by this date so we don't bill you that amount. If you do not pay the balance by this date there is a late fee of \$15.

By June 9, 2008 (Latest Date):

- Turn in *medical forms* for Scouts and Adult Campers. Check with Kelly King to see if your son's health form is current (forms are valid for 3yrs.) If so, sign it for this year. If not, obtain a new form, complete health forms with your doctor and turn in to Kelly King. Adults will also need a current health form (under 40 valid for 3 yrs, 40 & above must have annual physicals).
- Notify Kelly King of any *special diet requests*.
- Turn in completed *medication form* if needed. **NOTE:** If there is anything the leaders need to know about the effects of the medication, please include it on the form (example: sugar counteracts medication, side affect makes my son hyperactive or sluggish, etc.). This is very important for the leaders so they can properly address situations that may arise.
- As a courtesy to our leaders, please let them know if there is any regular medication that your son normally takes but is off for the summer (example: Ritalin). This will help them understand any potential behavior situations and allow them to deal with the situation in an appropriate manner. You might want to consider putting your Scout back on the medication for the Camp week. This will also help your son have the best camping experience possible.
- Turn in completed *Release of Camper* form if you will be visiting the camp at the end of the week and taking your son with you when you leave.
- Preorder camp t-shirts

By Pre-camp meeting (will be July 14):

- Review the attached information and bring list of questions to the pre-camp meeting that may not have been answered by that time.
- All merit badge prerequisites should be completed by this date.
- Be prepared to pay any merit badge fees at the camp meeting. These fees vary by activity and are listed in the attached material with the badge prerequisite information.

Please realize that our leaders are coordinating activities for many boys and families. By following these simple steps, you will help them in preparation for a great camp experience for your son. Finally, please realize that all fees are generally non-refundable. This is a council policy, not a troop policy. If, for some reason your son is unable to attend summer camp after the fees have been paid, we will assist you by applying for any refund with the council. However, if the council denies such a refund, the troop will not be able to reimburse funds already paid to them.