

# 2026 Scouts BSA Summer Camp Information Guide

## *Vikings Invade Camp Birch*



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# WELCOME LETTER

This information guide will answer many questions you have about the exciting program we are putting together for the summer of 2026. Please read it thoroughly, as it is the first step in having a rewarding and successful experience at Camp Birch this summer. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact our camp leadership team. We are happy to help!

Remember, the purpose of Scouts BSA Summer Camp is not merely advancement. We want our youth to walk away from their time at Camp Birch with a head full of songs and new skills, and a heart full of fond memories and friendships. We have so much more to offer than simply advancement. Encourage your Scouts to take advantage of their time at camp and the opportunities for memorable and impactful summer camp experiences.

We are fortunate to be able to provide a great experience right here in the Greater Dayton area. Thank you for your continued support of your Scouts and the Scouting program. We sincerely hope that this year's summer camp experience will become one of your greatest Scouting memories. Thank you for giving your Scout a wonderful and wonder-filled summer camp experience. Welcome (or welcome back) to Camp Hugh Taylor Birch!

*"A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room."*

*- Robert Baden-Powell*



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# **DATES, COSTS & REGISTRATION**

## **We will be offering two weeks of Scouts BSA Summer Camp in 2026:**

- Week 1: June 14-20, 2026
- Week 2: June 21-27, 2026

## **Cost**

***A patch and t-shirt are included with each Scout and adult registration!***

<b>Cost</b>	<b>Early</b>	<b>Regular</b>	<b>Late</b>	<b>Day Of</b>
Scout	\$350	\$400	\$450	\$500
SCOUT - Additional from Same Family	\$325	\$375	\$425	\$475
SCOUT - Second Week of Camp	\$300	\$350	\$400	\$450
Adult - Additional	\$100	\$100	\$150	\$200

## **Registration Deadlines**

<b>Registration Deadlines</b>	<b>Early</b>	<b>Regular</b>	<b>Late</b>	<b>Day Of</b>
Week 1: June 14-20, 2026	April 14, 2026	May 14, 2026	June 13, 2026	June 14, 2026
Week 2: June 21-27, 2026	April 21, 2026	May 21, 2026	June 20, 2026	June 21, 2026

## **Camp/Program Payment Policies**

***All camp registration fees are non-refundable.*** Fees paid can be transferred to another participant in your unit or to another week of camp in the same season. Payment must be made at time of online registration via credit card or electronic check.

To ensure that everything is prepared for your week at summer camp, registration deadlines and pricing cannot be extended. We will not issue refunds or deadline extensions for reasons of technical difficulty. Please be sure to get your registrations completed early enough to prevent any possible issues.

Any outstanding fees should be paid at the 10-day-out meeting. We reserve the right to turn away “day of” registrations because of capacity, supply, and staffing.

## Campsite Deposit

A \$100 campsite deposit is required for each Troop to hold your preferred campsite for your chosen week of summer camp. Campsite deposits can be made online at: [tecumsehCouncil.org/camping/scouts-bsa-summer-camp/](http://tecumsehCouncil.org/camping/scouts-bsa-summer-camp/). The deposit must be paid-in-full before you can begin individual Scout and adult registration. The deposit can be applied towards your summer camp registration fees. Or, let us know that you'll be coming back next year, and (if you don't apply it towards Scout or adult registrations) we can roll it over to next summer's campsite deposit. There is no guarantee your campsite will be held without the deposit, so be sure to get your deposit in promptly.

The individual who reserves the campsite for the unit automatically becomes the online Summer Camp registration unit manager and is the only one with permission to continue with the next registration step. Additional unit managers can be added by having the original unit manager email a request including name and email address of the person to be added to [Tara.Corns@Scouting.org](mailto:Tara.Corns@Scouting.org). Please note that anyone who becomes a unit manager will have access to edit online Summer Camp registrations.

## Registering Scouts and Adults

*Individual Scout and adult registration will begin in January!*

You will manage the remainder of your online Summer Camp registrations on your MyCouncil page on the council website.

- Log into **MyCouncil**
- Click **MyCouncil** (upper right side of page)
- Under **My Units** the button for the Troop you are registering
- Click **Registrations** (left side of page)
- Click the **view** button (this will take you to a Dashboard where you can view details about your summer camp registration)

### To register Scouts and Adults:

- Click **Members** (left side of page)
- Click the **add new** button
- You will then select how many Scouts and adults you want to register at this time
- Once you click the **Save** button, you will be taken to the Shopping Cart
- Click the **Add Information** button to enter all the registrants' data (contact info, special needs, t-shirt size) then click the **Select Activities** button to register for activities
- Click **Save**
- Click the **Proceed to Checkout** button when finished entering registrant's data and activities
- You must go through the Checkout and Payment process to complete the request. Once you have completed Checkout and Payment, you can come back to your Dashboard at any time to manage your summer camp registration (edit or add information, change Merit Badges and activities, etc.).

If you have any questions regarding online Summer Camp registration or are unable to access registration via the instructions, please contact Tara Corns at [Tara.Corns@Scouting.org](mailto:Tara.Corns@Scouting.org) or 937-325-6449 x101.

## Free Adults

Camp Birch does not charge fees for the required adult leaders. The breakdown of the youth-to-adult ratio for the number of required free leaders is as follows:

1-10 Scouts = 2 free adults | 11-20 Scouts = 3 free adults | 21-30 Scouts = 4 free adults | and so on

## Additional Adults

All additional adults (beyond the required adult leaders) will be charged \$100 to cover the cost of food and facility usage.

## Provisional Scouts

Scouts that cannot attend with their unit may attend camp as a Provisional Scout. Prior to camp, we will refer Provisional Scouts to units that are willing to host them for the week. Scouts will not be allowed to check into camp unless accompanied by a unit. If you have a Provisional Scout, please email the Camp Director ([CHTBLeadership@tecumsehCouncil.org](mailto:CHTBLeadership@tecumsehCouncil.org)) BEFORE registering. The online registration option for Provisional Scouts will only be turned on AFTER coordinating with the Camp Director to ensure that we have a host Troop available for the Provisional Scout.

Please let us know if your unit is willing to host a Provisional Scout.

## Special Program Fees

- Archery MB = \$5
- Basketry MB = \$27
- Cowboy Action = \$20
- Electronics MB = \$15
- Leatherwork MB = \$10
- Mad River Trace = \$45
- Metalwork MB = \$15
- Rifle MB = \$20
- Rifle Open Shoot = \$5 (25 rounds)
- Shotgun MB = \$50
- Shotgun Open Shoot = \$5 (12 rounds)
- Space Explor MB = \$15
- Wood Carving MB = \$5

These can be paid during online registration if the Scout pre-registers for the program, at the 10-day-out meeting, or vouchers can be purchased at the Trading Post.

## Camp Scholarships

***Camp Scholarship Applications are due by April 15, 2026!***

The [Camp Scholarship Application](#) can be found in the FORMS section of this information guide.

To ensure that EVERY Scout can attend Camp Birch regardless of financial resources, camp scholarships are available to any Scout registered in Tecumseh Council for a percentage of the cost of camp. The Scout's family and Unit Leader must complete the application and email it to Noel Wright at [Noel.Wright@Scouting.org](mailto:Noel.Wright@Scouting.org) or turn it into the Scout Office.

Unit leaders will be notified of approved camperships. Camperships are awarded on a basis of family need. Application does not guarantee approval.

***Camperships must be redeemed by the regular registration deadline, or they will be forfeited and VOID.***

# **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

## **Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader Meetings**

During your week at camp, the Camp Commissioner and Program Director will hold a Scoutmaster Meeting at 10 am every morning. In addition, there will be a Senior Patrol Leader Meeting following the second lunch shift (approximately 1:30 pm) every afternoon on the back porch of the Dining Hall. These meetings will cover special information throughout the week, as well as address any issues and concerns you may have.

## **Adult Leader Training**

Our youth aren't the only ones who will learn new things at camp! Camp Birch offers training for adult leaders throughout the week. A list of training offerings and a schedule will be provided at the 10-day out meeting, allowing leaders time to plan their week and sign-up for training they need or would like to take. Some past trainings have included: Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Climb On Safely, Trek On Safely, CPR, Wilderness First Aid, Scoutmaster Specific, and IOLS.

## **Scoutmaster Merit Badge**

Why should the Scouts have ALL the fun? Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, and any adult leaders who are spending time at camp will have the opportunity to earn the Scoutmaster Merit Badge. With new requirements each year, this merit badge challenges you to experience the joys of camp through service, study, and silliness.

## **Family Night**

Friday night is Family Night at Camp Birch, and we want all of your families to experience the excitement of camp! Plan for visitors to arrive at camp starting at 5 pm. All visitors must park their cars in the main parking lot and coordinate with their Troop to receive their wristband and make their way back to the campsite. Units can cook their own food or pick up meals from the Dining Hall for dinner at their campsite. All visitors who will be joining their Troop for a camp-provided meal must pre-purchase those meals. We ask that each Troop give a family night visitor count and a list of any dietary restrictions to the Camp Commissioner no later than the Wednesday morning Scoutmaster Meeting. The cost of the dinner is \$10 per guest. Tickets may be pre-purchased at the 10-day out meeting. The [Family Night Meal Order Form](#) can be found in the FORMS section of this information guide.

Visiting families are encouraged to stay for Friday night's closing campfire. It will begin at 8:30 pm at the Council Ring. The Camp Birch closing campfire casts our Scouts as the stars of the show. We encourage units to participate with a Scout-appropriate skit or song to entertain your families (they came to see you all, not us)! This campfire will also be a time for area awards and special recognition.

## **Evening Activities**

Evenings at camp are a time for Scouts to participate in some open areas and special activities. Some of these include: Open Swim, Open Climb, Open Boating, and Open Shoot. In addition, our program areas will be running special theme-related activities. Most evening activities will run from 7 to 9 pm, but a few select activities will run past dusk, from 8:30 to 10:30 pm. A schedule of evening activities will be provided at the 10-day-out meeting.

## **Order of the Arrow**

During check-in, a representative from Tarhe Lodge will be available to meet with unit leaders and receive a list of youth who are to be Called Out. For units in Tecumseh Council, we will be able to verify the youth to be Called Out based on our lists from unit elections. For units that are visiting us from another council, please provide a letter from your home Lodge Chief with a list of those youth from your unit to be Called Out. Without that letter, unfortunately, we will not be able to Call Out those youth.

Wednesday is OA Day at Camp Birch, culminating with our OA Call Out Ceremony that begins in the Parade Field at 8:30 pm. From breakfast through the Call Out Ceremony, we ask that all Arrowmen wear their sashes in support and recognition of Scouting's Brotherhood of Cheerful Service. We also encourage every Arrowman in camp to get involved with the ceremony on Wednesday evening by helping either prepare for or participate in the ceremony. OA members who have been active for six months or more as an Ordeal member are eligible for the next membership level, that of Brotherhood. Brotherhood membership signifies a deeper level of understanding of the customs and traditions of the Order of the Arrow. Please inquire with our Tarhe Lodge representative at check-in about becoming a Brotherhood member.

## **Mad River Trace**

This immersive, historically themed program takes participants back to what life would have been like in the Miami Valley during the 1800s. This is an opportunity for mature Scouts and adults to learn about the history of the region, complete projects and develop your skills as you work your way up in The Company. Inspire new and returning members to learn traditional skills, while building friendships and fond memories of your time with The Trace. Activities include: tomahawk throwing, black powder shooting, leatherwork and tracking, storytelling and folklore, coal fire blacksmith forging, frontier games and challenges, shelter building, and outpost camping.

Open to Scouts First Class rank and up and adult leaders. The cost is \$45 per participant, and you can preregister online when registering for Summer Camp. Participants should be prepared to outpost on Thursday evening. Units are responsible for ensuring two-deep leadership is maintained in their unit campsite Thursday overnight if unit leadership is participating in MRT.

## **Tecumseh Island**

At Camp Birch, we recognize that the First Year Camper Program is fundamentally the most important area of any Scouts BSA Summer Camp. The Tecumseh Island program is designed specifically for first-year resident campers to help Scouts advance toward the rank of First Class. They will work, not only on rank requirements from Tenderfoot to First Class, but on building a solid foundation of scout skills through the patrol method. The Tecumseh Island program is intended to give new Scouts a great foundational experience at Camp Birch. We want Scouts to go home excited about Scouting and eager to return to camp next year.

## **Trail to Eagle**

Trail to Eagle is a program area (inside the Adams Building) specifically designed for older Scouts, giving them the opportunity to work on merit badges they need to complete Eagle Scout rank requirements. These merit badges are primarily classroom-based and have prerequisites that must be completed before or after attending camp.

## **Campfire**

As part of our program, we will be holding two campfires each week. Opening campfire is Sunday night at 8 pm in the Council Ring. Our enthusiastic staff will welcome you to Camp Birch with skits and songs for your entertainment. There will also be staff introductions, so you can get to know the folks who will be taking care of you during your stay. Closing campfire is Friday night at 8:30 pm in the Council Ring. For this campfire, the Troops put on the entertainment for those visiting for Family Night, and everyone else in Camp. Make sure that all songs, skits, and run-ons are Scout appropriate and approved by the Program Director.

## **Religious Services**

Wednesday evenings at camp will be reserved for religious observation. Beginning at 7:30 pm, we will offer two optional religious services: a Scouts' Own Service (a non-denominational service) in Erwin Pavilion, as well as a Catholic Mass at the chapel. We invite everyone in camp to come out and join in the fellowship. Remember...a Scout is Reverent. We want to ensure that we are giving thanks for the things we share and the time we have with our fellow Scouts.

## **Daytime Program Areas**

This year our Scouts BSA Summer Camp will have more structure and organized schedule to provide an excellent Scout focused program. We have created a schedule for many Merit Badges, while some areas will continue to offer flexible open programming and new activities throughout the week. Camp Birch strives to focus on running a high-quality program with activities for Scouts and adults of all ages to get the most out of their summer camp experience. In true Scouting fashion, we will emphasize the "Game with a Purpose" approach while maintaining Scouting's high standards of safety and security in our higher-risk program areas.

Scouts will have the opportunity to sign up for scheduled sessions prior to camp through our Merit Badge registration system. Scouts must pre-register to secure their spot. Pre-registration for a structured Merit Badge offering is part of the individual Scout's registration. With open programming, Scouts can simply go to the open program area and complete requirements for Merit Badges they want to take. For Merit Badge tracking purposes and space limitations, registration is encouraged. There may also be an additional fee associated with the structured Merit Badges that should be paid at the time of registration. While at camp, Scouts must plan their schedule to ensure they will be able to attend these structured Merit Badge classes for the entire time allotted.

## **Trading Post**

During your stay, we invite you to stop in at our Trading Post, a staple of summer camp! We have special Camp Birch merchandise, a selection of camping supplies, snacks, Young's ice cream, slushies, Scout t-shirts, merit badge supplies, and many other things you may want (or need) while you are with us. The Trading Post accepts cash and most major US credit cards.

### **Trading Post Hours (subject to change)**

- Monday through Friday from 9 to 11:45 am and 1 to 5:30 pm
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 7 to 10 pm

# SAMPLE SCHEDULE

*Schedule subject to change. Schedules will be given out at the 10-day-out meeting or at check-in.*

- 8:00 am - Opening Flag in the Parade Field
- 8:15-8:45 am - Breakfast
- 9:00-9:50 am - Session 1
- 10:00-10:50 am - Session 2
- 11:00-11:50 am - Session 3
- 12:15-1:00 pm - Lunch
- 1:00-1:50 pm - Troop Time (campsites)
- 2:00-2:50 pm - Session 4
- 3:00-3:50 pm - Session 5
- 4:00-5:30 pm - Action Afternoon (open programming)
- 5:45 pm - Closing Flag in the Parade Field
- 6:00-6:45 pm - Dinner
- 7:00-9:00 pm - Twilight Activities (additional open programming)
- 11:00 pm - Lights Out (enforced by Unit Leaders in their campsite)

# SAMPLE MENU

*Menu subject to change. Menus will be given out at the 10-day-out meeting or at check-in.*

DAY OF WEEK	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER
<b>Sun</b>			turkey mashed potatoes green beans
<b>Mon</b>	omelet sausage patty banana	chicken nuggets pineapples carrots	spaghetti cauliflower garlic bread
<b>Tues</b>	waffles sausage links peaches	pizza pears corn	pork chops mashed potatoes broccoli
<b>Wed</b>	biscuits & gravy apple yogurt cup	chicken sandwich potato wedges peaches	lasagna garlic bread corn
<b>Thur</b>	french toast bacon grapes	hot dogs baked beans oranges	bbq chicken baked potatoes green beans
<b>Fri</b>	jimmy deans yogurt cup apple	hamburger potato wedges carrots & pineapples	walking tacos (in campsite)
<b>Sat</b>	muffins & bagels apple or banana (in campsite)		

# **CAMPSITE & FACILITY INFO**

## **Campsite**

The campsite is the heart of camp. Every camper will spend a significant amount of time in their “home away from home.” Some units become so attached to these campsites that they return to the same one year after year. As your home for the week, we respectfully ask that you treat it as such. Although camping remains a little rough and rustic, we sincerely hope to make your stay with us as comfortable as possible. If there is anything you need, or if an issue arises, please let us know and we will try to accommodate your needs to the best of our ability. Upon check-in, your unit will be assigned a Staff Guide. Your Staff Guide will do a walkthrough of your campsite with your troop. At this time, they will verify your campsite has everything you need and make sure any issues are promptly addressed. Each campsite has designated fire rings. Please be sure to keep all fires in established fire rings to minimize our impact and keep our scouts safe.

### **Each campsite is equipped with:**

- Picnic Table
- Dining Fly/Pavilion
- Latrine
- Washstand
- Broom
- Rake
- Fire Extinguisher
- Water Bucket
- Emergency Contacts
- Emergency Procedures

Please notify your Staff Guide immediately if you encounter any problems or deficiencies with any of these items. Any extra supplies you may need (such as toilet paper, wood tools, or sanitizer) may be provided by request from the Camp Commissioner. We understand that normal wear and tear can happen, but as a policy, your unit will be charged for any damage over normal wear and tear. During your campsite walkthrough, if you see any existing damage, be sure to let your Staff Guide know so your unit will not be held liable for the cost of repair or replacement.

**It is important to stress to your Scouts that they will be responsible for maintaining their site and camp equipment. Please address the following points with them:**

**Cleanliness:** Your campsite should be cleaned daily. This includes the latrine. If sharing your site with another unit, develop a plan to share these responsibilities equally. The latrine’s floor and walls should be swept. The washstand should be rinsed and drained properly. All camp equipment should be stowed neatly. Please conduct a sweep of the campsite (and surrounding trails) for litter and properly dispose of it.

**Tents:** You are encouraged to bring your own tents to camp; however, Camp Birch has standard canvas wall tents (no platforms) you can use if needed. At the 10-day-out meeting, indicate how many camp tents and cots you are requesting to borrow. If needed, your Staff Guide will be available to show your Scouts how to set them up. Keep all flames (candles, matches, etc.) away from tents. Do not roll tent flaps in wet weather. Before checking out on Saturday, disassemble any borrowed camp tents, neatly fold the canvas, and stack on the picnic table under the dining fly or pavilion.

**Wildlife:** Do not approach or attempt to handle any wildlife. Report any unusual wildlife behaviors to the camp staff immediately.

**Good Neighbors:** Remember that other campers prefer the peace and quiet of the woods to noises from your campsite. Quiet time must be observed between the hours of 11 pm to 6 am.

**Shared Spaces:** Our campsites are large enough to accommodate multiple Troops. Please be courteous when discussing with your campsite neighbors about the utilization of shared spaces, including but not limited to: fire rings, pavilions, picnic tables, latrines, and cabins. Ensure that everyone can access what they need.

## **Facility Information**

The facilities at Camp Birch are rustic and nestled in natural surroundings. Camp Birch is inspected regularly for safety, cleanliness, and program suitability. Amenities include our Dining Hall that serves 300+, our 10-acre lake, Climbing Tower, COPE Course, Council Ring, and Ranges (Archery, Rifle, Black Powder & Pistol). We have a brand-new aquatic center across from the Olympic-size outdoor pool with 9 unisex flush toilets and 4 full bathrooms (flush toilet and shower) including handicapped accommodations.

## **MERIT BADGE TRACKING**

All merit badge tracking is done online through your MyCouncil account, which is the same way you register your Scouts and adults. Unit leaders can see merit badge progress throughout the week. Any questions about specific merit badges and requirements should be discussed with the Area Director for the most accurate information. There will be an ice cream social event on Wednesday evening immediately following OA Callouts in the Dining Hall for Scoutmasters and Area Directors. This is the perfect mid-week opportunity to check in with our Area Directors if you have any questions or concerns regarding your Scouts and their progress.

If your unit prefers to utilize the traditional merit badge “blue card”, Scouts can either bring them to camp, or they can be purchased at the Trading Post. Scouts are responsible for turning blue cards in to the Area Director before they begin working on merit badge requirements. Blue cards will be returned in your unit’s exit packet.

To ensure that we have the most accurate and up-to-date information, please verify the accuracy of the merit badge tracking records with your youth and the Area Directors, BEFORE your unit checks out of camp on Saturday.

# **MEDICAL FORM, HEALTH & SAFETY**

## **Annual Health and Medical Record Form**

Camp is a great time to have a lot of fun, but we all must do it safely. Completing the [Annual Health and Medical Record Form](#) promotes health and awareness, communicates health status, and provides medical professionals with critical information needed to treat a patient in the event of an illness or injury. It also provides emergency contact information. This is a Scouting America national policy for all participants, youth and adult, to ensure that we are prepared with accurate information, in the event of an emergency, to provide the best care. The [Annual Health and Medical Record Form](#) is available online or in the FORMS section of this info guide.

Without the proper medical checks and paperwork, your admission to camp may be denied. To attend Scouts BSA Summer Camp, each adult and youth in attendance must complete Part A, both Part B1 and B2, and Part C. In Part B, immunization records must be completed and include dates. The date of the tetanus vaccine must be within the last 10 years. In Part C, the signature must be from an MD, DO, NP, or PA. No chiropractors' signatures will be accepted.

Medical forms for your unit should be turned in at the 10-day-out meeting. Our medical staff will go over submitted medical forms in advance to make sure all parts are completed correctly. This allows time for the unit to be contacted if there are any questions or problems. We ask that you turn in a copy, not the original. Medical Forms will be returned to the unit in your Saturday exit packet.

## **Vaccine Exemptions**

Scouting America encourages all members of the Scouting community to use available vaccines to fully protect themselves from infectious diseases that are dangerous for children and adults living in the United States. However, if a Scout in your Unit belongs to a family who does not vaccinate, then they may request an exemption using the [Immunization Exemption Request Form](#). Without this form, if a child has no vaccinations, they may be denied access to programs. The form is available online or in the FORMS section of this info guide.

## **Health and Safety**

Our primary concern is the safety and well-being of every camper. Our camp follows all safety and risk management guidelines set by Scouting America, the local, state, and federal boards of health, and the National Camp Accreditation Program, a national camp organization that sets high standards for both the health and safety of campers and staff, and the delivery of quality programs.

## **Medication at Camp**

Unit leaders will be responsible for securing and distributing medication to their Scouts. Since unit leaders are familiar with their youth's medication needs from weekend camping, they can ensure that medications are delivered on time, with less potential for unexpected delays. At check-in, Troops can request a locking medication storage box and medical log sheet. If there are any temperature control requirements for medications, please inform the medical staff upon check-in so we can accommodate those needs.

## Special Medical Needs

Special medical needs for all participants should be noted on medical forms and the [Special Medical Needs Form](#) (available in the FORMS section of this info guide) must be completed and emailed to the Camp Director at least two weeks BEFORE the first day of camp. Every attempt will be made to accommodate special medical needs.

## Dietary Restrictions

To ensure that everyone can enjoy plenty of food during their stay at Camp Birch, our camp staff must be made aware of all dietary restrictions before your Scout arrives at camp. Dietary restrictions for all participants should be noted on medical forms and the [Dietary Restrictions Form](#) (available in the FORMS section of this info guide) must be completed and emailed to the Camp Director at least two weeks BEFORE the first day of camp. We also understand that some people prefer to take care of their own dietary restrictions. If that is the case, we can store food for those with dietary restrictions who choose to provide their own food.

## CPAP Needs

If anyone in your unit needs electricity for a CPAP, please inform camp leadership as soon as possible. Some of our campsites already have power. These include: Blue Jacket, Daniel Boone, Kit Carson, and Wyandot. Be sure to bring an outdoor extension cord to get power to your tent. If you already have a battery-powered CPAP, or are planning on purchasing one, we can charge batteries at camp.

## First Aid Supplies

Everyone that comes to a Scout camp should be well informed about what items belong in a first aid kit. Scouts should also carry a personal first aid kit and replenish it regularly. We highly recommend any unit that attends Camp Birch carry a basic first aid kit that includes the following items:

- One 4" Roller Bandage
- One 2" Roller Bandage
- Two Rolls 1" Tape
- Two Triangular Cravats
- Four Elastic Bandages
- Antibacterial Soap
- One Box of Band-Aids
- Twelve 4x4 Sterile Pads
- Twelve 2x2 Sterile Pads
- Scissors
- 6 Pairs of Non-Latex Gloves
- Needle & Tweezers
- Safety Pins
- Sunburn Lotion
- Poison Ivy Cream
- Tylenol or non-aspirin

# **QUALIFIED LEADERSHIP**

Each unit must always have a minimum of 2 responsible adult leaders on camp premises. In accordance with Scouting America national policy, all adults accompanying a troop to Summer Camp must be registered members of Scouting America and be current with their Safeguarding Youth Training and Hazardous Weather Training. Qualified leadership is two adult leaders over the age of 21. Leaders must be present both day and night. If proper adult leadership cannot be arranged, please contact the Camp Director as soon as possible so we can assist you in finding a second leader or help arrange for a surrogate leader.

All adult leaders should expect to assist the camp staff in providing a safe, fun experience for the Scouts; Leaders are:

- Responsible for maintaining unit safety and discipline always. This includes safe travel to and from camp.
- Responsible for coordinating all unit and individual activities to ensure maximum benefit to participants.
- To participate in camp activities daily. This should include program area visits, punctual attendance at meetings and conferences, and verifying merit badge tracking.
- To be prepared to help and assist others; specifically, other camping units and staff personnel as needed. Assistance should be given in a spirit of cooperation and support, but not at the expense of one's own unit.
- To monitor and evaluate unit and individual progress in camp and to provide counseling, guidance, and encouragement.
- To review the daily schedule of unit activities with fellow leaders before departure for camp. This process should include a review by experienced leaders who may not be participating in the current trip but have been to Camp Birch before. There are many experienced Scouters (like your Unit Commissioner) in your district willing to assist you.
- To be sure that each adult leader/Troop completes and turns in camp evaluations. These forms are the primary means of evaluating the program and staff at each camp and they are used each week by the camp and program directors to determine if there is a problem that should be addressed immediately. In addition, they are studied in detail by members of the Camping Committee of Tecumseh Council to recommend improvements for next year.
- Expected to serve as a positive role model for youth. This includes language, attitude, and behavior.
- Knowledgeable of and willing to follow all camp rules and policies.
- Required to always have at least TWO qualified adult leaders in camp. It's best for Scouts to have consistent leadership during the week.
- Required to have current Safeguarding Youth Training and be a currently registered member of Scouting America.

# 10-DAY-OUT MEETING

## The dates for the 10-Day-Out Meetings are:

- Week 1: June 4, 2026
- Week 2: June 11, 2026

These meetings are at 7:30 pm on the back porch of the Turner Building at Camp Birch.

It is important that the Scoutmaster (or an informed designee from the Unit) attend the 10-day-out meeting. At this meeting, the camp leadership will inform you of any last-minute changes, updates, service opportunities, and answer other questions you may have. Attendance at this meeting facilitates a quicker check-in procedure on the Sunday your unit arrives, and it allows us to better prepare for your week at camp. It is our goal to distribute and collect information from you to relieve some of the stress of check-in. All final paperwork and payments must be submitted at this meeting.

Without this information, we cannot deliver to you a program that is personal and accommodating. Please help us deliver a satisfying, exciting, and safe program by turning in your forms at the 10-day-out meeting. ***Forms can be found online and/or in the FORMS section of this information guide.***

### At the 10-Day-Out Meeting, we expect all units to submit:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Annual Health and Medical Record Forms</a> | <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Family Night Meal Order Form</a>    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Dietary Restriction Forms</a>              | <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Unit Roster</a>                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Special Medical Needs Forms</a>            | <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Swim Classification Records</a>     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Camp Birch Vehicle Policy Form</a>         | <input type="checkbox"/> Any outstanding fees                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Cowboy Action Waivers</a>                  | <input type="checkbox"/> List of individuals being called out for the OA |

With our updated, online merit badge tracking system, we will be asking units to provide us with the necessary email addresses for unit leadership: Scoutmaster, Advancement Chair, and the designee attending camp.

Additionally, your Troop will be able to sign up for additional activities for their week of camp. These sign-ups will include, but are not limited to:

- Troop check-in time slots
- Troop duties (mealtime grace, flag raising/lowering, shower house cleaning, etc.)
- Camp service projects

# **CHECK-IN PROCEDURES**

**Check-in times are scheduled at the 10-day-out meeting. If you are unable to attend, please email the Camp Director at [CHTBladership@tecumsehCouncil.org](mailto:CHTBladership@tecumsehCouncil.org) to get your assigned time.**

**Step 1:** Arrive at Camp Birch at your assigned check-in time. We will check-in your unit as a group, so please ensure that your ENTIRE unit is present and prepared.

- If your Unit arrives EARLY: We appreciate your excitement and enthusiasm about your upcoming week at camp. We will have you wait, either until your assigned check-in time, or until sufficient time becomes available. This ensures that every unit receives our full focus and attention during their allotted time.
- If your Unit arrives LATE: We understand that unforeseen circumstances can arise. We will accommodate a prompt check-in to the best of our abilities. We will continue checking in units at their assigned times; therefore, you will be asked to be patient and wait until we can accommodate a later check-in.

**Step 2:** Each participant (Scout and adult) will present themselves to a member of the camp medical team for their individual medical check and screening. Our medics will have all medical forms that were turned in at the 10-day-out meeting. If medical forms were not submitted and approved, a paper copy of Medical Forms A, B, and C must be provided to the medic before being allowed on camp. Once approved, the participant will receive a wristband from the medic.

**Step 3:** After medical check screening, one Unit Leader and the Senior Patrol Leader will check-in with the Camp Leadership Team.

## **Items to be submitted (unless a current copy was submitted at the 10-day out meeting):**

- Vehicle Policy Form
- Cowboy Action Waivers
- Family Night Meals Order Form
- Up-to-date Unit Roster
- Unit Swim Classification Record
- Any outstanding fees
- A list of Scouts/Leaders being called out for the Order of the Arrow
- Safeguarding Youth Training Certificates for all adult participants (valid through their entire stay at camp)

## **Items to receive:**

- Summer Camp patches
- Summer Camp t-shirts
- Unit Fireguard Plan Chart
- Special Program Offerings Schedule
- Camp Birch Merit Badge Pamphlets
- Scoutmaster Merit Badge Pamphlets
- Camp Birch Spirit Troop Form
- Additional information as available

**Step 4:** After meeting with the Camp Leadership Team, the Unit will meet their Staff Guide who will lead them on a camp tour, beginning with a Unit photo at the camp entrance. At this time, the Unit's designee (who has signed the Vehicle Policy Form that is on file with the Camp Leadership Team) may drive one vehicle to their assigned campsite to drop off gear/the trailer. The camp tour will include a stop at the pool for swim checks.

# **ABOUT US**

## **Mission Statement of Scouting America**

The mission of Scouting America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

## **About Tecumseh Council**

Since 1923, Tecumseh Council has been successfully providing quality Scouting programs to thousands and thousands of young people. Today, we serve more than 1,400 youth members in 80 units. More than 1,000 dedicated adult volunteers support our ongoing efforts to deliver Scouting America's goals to our youth members throughout our council.

Tecumseh Council serves youth in five Ohio counties: Champaign, Logan, Clark, Greene, and Clinton.

## **About Camp Hugh Taylor Birch**

In 1936, Camp Hugh Taylor Birch began with 25-acres of land and a vision. Today, Camp Birch has grown to encompass 440 acres of woodland that serve our Scouting and non-Scouting communities on a year-round basis.

Camp Birch - complete with a dining hall that serves 300, an Olympic size outdoor swimming pool, a 10-acre lake with rowboats and canoes, a 30-foot climbing tower, BB and archery ranges, and many other facilities - is our outdoor facility that we use to teach character, citizenship, personal fitness, and environmental awareness. Several renovations have been completed recently, including new shower and restroom facilities.

## **Location of Camp Birch**

Camp Birch is located at 4057 Swimming Pool Road, Yellow Springs, OH 45387. It is approximately halfway between Yellow Springs and Clifton on State Route 343.

- From I-70, take State Route 68 S towards Xenia
- As you enter Yellow Springs, turn left onto State Route 343
- Turn right onto Swimming Pool Road
- Camp Birch is located on the right at the end of the road

Adjacent to Clifton Gorge, John Bryan State Park, and Glen Helen Nature Preserve, Camp Hugh Taylor Birch is an integral part of 2,000 continuous acres of natural woodlands.

## **Mission Statement of Camp Birch**

Camp Hugh Taylor Birch offers an incomparable summer experience for youth and adults. Camp Birch fosters enduring friendships, a love of Scouting, and a connection to nature while promoting individual growth, cultivating self-esteem, developing leadership, encouraging teamwork, and ensuring fun. Participants are encouraged to learn new skills and master old ones in a safe and inclusive environment.



# **SCOUTING AMERICA RULES & POLICIES**

Preventing child abuse has been adopted as a critical objective of Scouting America. The assistance of every adult leader is essential to success. The guidelines listed below are designed to protect Scouts against child abuse and adult leaders against misinterpretation of their intentions. Anyone who has questions should consult with the Camp Director. If faced with difficulty in complying with the guidelines and no advice is available, use common sense and the principles of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

## **Guidelines for Adults and Parents**

All adult leaders in camp must endeavor to protect Scouts from (1) physical abuse, which is understood to mean the sustaining of physical injury as the result of cruel and inhumane treatment or as the result of a malicious act, (2) sexual abuse, i.e. any act involving sexual molestation or exploitation of a Scout, by any person who has permanent or temporary care, custody, or responsibility for the supervision of Scouts or a Scout, and (3) psychological abuse, which is a form of abuse often associated with situations of power imbalance, and may include bullying and gaslighting.

## **Reporting Child Abuse**

Our Camp Leadership Team has received training to help potential victims of any kind of child abuse. If you suspect that a Scout in camp is a victim, report this to the Camp Director immediately. Ohio law requires that all childcare providers, including Scout leaders, must report any incidence of child abuse to child protection authorities. As a part of its "Scouts First" approach to the protection and safety of youth, Scouting America has established 844-SCOUTS1 (844-726-8871), a dedicated 24-hour helpline to receive reports of known or suspected abuse or behavior that might put a youth at risk. All discussions, both at camp and over the helpline will be kept confidential.

## **Non-Discrimination Policy**

The programs of Tecumseh Council are available to all registered Scouts, boys and girls, without regard to race, color, religion, disability, or national origin. Any registered youth member may attend any age-appropriate camp conducted within the council.

## **National Standards**

The purpose of Scouting America's National Camp Accreditation Program (NCAP) is to help councils elevate camps to new levels of excellence in delivering Scouting's promise to youth. Councils engage in a rigorous review of camps and properties, continuous improvement, and correction or elimination of substandard practices. Only camps that successfully complete all five aspects of the NCAP are Scouting America accredited camps. Our Camp undergoes safety inspections and accreditation prior to and during operations on an annual basis. Tecumseh Council's Camping Committee is committed to ensuring our camp meets and exceeds the standards for health and safety, food service, program, maintenance, conservation, staffing, and administration. Camp Birch has been an NCAP Accredited Camp since the 1970s.

## **Camp Staff**

Each of our camp programs is administered by a Nationally Certified Camp Director and Program Director. All key staff are trained in their areas of responsibility. Our staff members are carefully selected and reflect the principles of Scouting.

## **Safeguarding Youth Training Verification**

Protecting our youth is paramount to Scouting America, Tecumseh Council, and Camp Birch. Therefore, the following policy is in place to protect the youth, adult leaders, and staff of Camp Birch:

ALL adults serving as leadership for a Troop in camp are required to provide verification of CURRENT Safeguarding Youth Training.

### **Hazing, Bullying, and Harassment**

Camp Birch has a zero-tolerance policy for hazing, bullying, intimidation, harassment, and abuse. If you see or suspect any of this type of activity, report it to the Camp Director immediately.

Bullying is a widespread and serious societal problem that has a negative impact on the target. It is not a “phase” that the youth must go through. It is not “just messing around,” and it is not something that a person - the one doing the bullying or the target - will “grow out of.” All forms of bullying are prohibited in Scouting. All forms of bullying violate the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Continuous bullying of the target will lead to poor self-image and poor self-esteem. The target may also quit Scouting or become a bully to other, younger youth, thus perpetuating the bullying cycle.

#### **Forms of Bullying:**

- Verbal - name-calling, teasing, threats
- Social - spreading rumors, leaving the target out of activities, breaking up or manipulating friendships
- Physical - hitting, pushing, shoving, physical coercion
- Group - intimidation, ostracizing
- Criminal - injury, assault, sexual aggression
- Cyberbullying - using digital technology such as social media, gaming, texting, etc., for any of the above

#### **The following behaviors MUST be reported to the Camp Director for immediate action:**

- Any threat of usage of a weapon
- Any bullying or harassment associated with race, religion, sexual identity/orientation, gender, or disability
- Any abuse
- Any concern or threat of suicide

#### **Be An Upstander!**

An upstander is someone who takes action, particularly when the easiest or most acceptable course is to be a bystander and do nothing. An upstander in Scouting always applies the Barriers to Abuse and the Scout Oath and Scout Law, and does not allow another to be bullied, harassed, hazed, or abused.

- Be an upstander; get involved
- If you see something, stop it
- If you know or suspect something, report it
- If you are not sure, report it to the Camp Director

# **CAMP BIRCH RULES & POLICIES**

## **Adult Scouting America Registration**

National policies concerning adults accompanying a unit during resident camp or other Scouting activities dictate that those adults must be registered as leaders with Scouting America and must have completed current Safeguarding Youth Training, including a criminal background check.

## **Camp Vehicle Policies**

Camp Birch has a strict no-driving policy for our participants to keep all potential accidents to a minimum. This includes drivers with state-issued handicap placards. We do have specific handicapped spaces in our parking lot. For those who require transportation throughout camp, arrangements can be made for use of a golf cart to make camp more accessible.

## **Conduct**

The conduct and discipline of all youth and leaders are the responsibility of the unit leaders in camp. The Camp Leadership Team is ready and willing to assist at any time with problems that might arise. Unit committees should be sure that the unit leaders are trained and understand their responsibilities while attending summer camp.

## **Early Dismissal of Participants**

All participants who may need to leave camp early should notify the Camp Director upon arrival at check-in.

## **Electronics**

The use of electronics by Scouts is prohibited on camp property unless given permission by an Area Director.

## **Emergency Procedures**

On your first day in camp, emergency procedures will be reviewed with Troop Leaders and Scouts. In the event of an emergency, please notify a camp staff member immediately. Please do not attempt to deal with the emergency yourself, regardless of the situation. If the situation seems at all dangerous, the priority is to evacuate all Scouts and leaders from the area.

## **Footwear**

A day at camp is full of running, playing, hiking, and exploring the outdoors. Please make sure that footwear is appropriate and comfortable for the day's activities.

## **Hazing, Bullying, Harassment, and Abuse**

Camp Birch has a zero-tolerance policy for hazing, bullying, intimidation, harassment, and abuse. If you see or suspect any of this type of activity, report it to the Camp Director immediately.

## **Hammocks**

Hammock camping is permitted at Camp Birch. The Guide to Safe Scouting must be followed when hammock camping. Hammocks may not be set up in, under, or attached to pavilions.

## **Health and Safety**

Camp is a tight community where pathogens can spread rapidly. It is extremely important that units immediately report all illnesses to our medic. If a participant is sick with nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or fever prior to camp, please leave that person at home to recuperate. The Camp Leadership Team and our health and safety team reserve the right to send a participant to a local healthcare facility to get evaluated if they suspect a participant has a health concern that could affect the health and safety of the camp.

## **Late Arrivals**

Any registered participants or adults who will be arriving outside of the daily check-in time need to notify the Camp Director and check in at the camp office upon arrival.

## **Lost and Found**

Things get lost. It happens. We understand and want to help reunite Scouts and leaders with their missing stuff. We strongly encourage parents to label all items with their Scout's name to aid us in returning items. We will make every effort to match the items to the Scouts. Please leave all valuables at home. Camp Birch is not responsible for any items that are lost or stolen.

## **Non-Camping Scouts**

If a Scout is unable to stay at camp overnight, there is an option for them to attend for the day, all week, and participate in activities. Camp Birch does not offer any transportation, so it would be up to the parent/guardian to make their own arrangements. There is no change in fee for those attending only for the day.

## **Pets and Service Animals**

Pets of any kind are not permitted in camp at any time. Please do not bring your pet. Be sure to inform any visitors, parent drivers, or guests that they should also leave their pets at home. Pets are not allowed on camp for Family Night. An exception can be made for service animals with appropriate paperwork, with approval from the Camp Ranger.

## **Personal Property**

A Scout is Trustworthy; however, on rare occasions, a Scout is still learning the meaning of that point. Tecumseh Council and Camp Birch cannot be responsible for loss of or damage to personal property at camp. Scouts should be encouraged to leave valuables at home and to take normal precautions of not leaving cash or other valuables lying out in the open. Report any thefts immediately to the Camp Director.

## **Prohibited Items**

***Smoking, Vaping, Dipping, or other Nicotine Usage*** - Scouting America discourages the use of tobacco products, including e-cigarettes and vaporizers. Anyone under the age of 21 is not permitted to possess or use any tobacco or e-cig product. For adults who use these products, they must only be used in the parking lot and kept out of sight of any youth, staff, or leaders.

**Alcohol** - Alcohol is forbidden at any Scouting America Camp and has no place at Camp Birch. Any person found with alcohol will be removed immediately from camp. Any violation of this policy will result in expulsion from camp property and refusal of a refund.

**Illegal Drugs, Narcotics, or Unregistered Prescription Medicines** - The possession, usage, or distribution of illegal drugs is prohibited on any property that is owned or operated by Scouting America. This policy will be strictly enforced for all those who use or visit our camp facilities. Violations will result in immediate expulsion from camp property, refusal of a refund, and will be reported to local authorities.

**Other Prohibited Items** - Fireworks, personal firearms, bows, arrows, ammunition, and other potentially dangerous items are prohibited at Camp Birch. Only Council-owned firearms and bows may be used at approved ranges, under the supervision of a Certified Instructor, and with Council-provided ammunition. Other firearms, paintball guns, blow guns, or weapons related to martial arts or personal protection will be confiscated. Any violation of this policy will result in expulsion from camp property and refusal of a refund.

## **Safeguarding Youth**

At Camp Birch, we take our responsibility for the welfare of youth entrusted in our care very seriously. Each Unit that attends camp needs to have a sufficient number of adults. If there is any Safeguarding Youth violation, please inform the Camp Director immediately. The protection of our Scouting youth always takes precedence over any other duty.

If you haven't yet taken Safeguarding Youth Training, please do so before arriving at camp. This training can be taken online at: [My.Scouting.org](https://www.myscouting.org).

## **Staff Areas**

Staff cabins/areas are off-limits to youth and adult campers.

## **Swimming Attire**

Appropriate attire is required for all aquatics activities. Safety is the most important component of our swimwear guidelines. Our focus is on protecting each person's health and safety, while maintaining dignity and respect. Additional swimwear guidelines include:

- Clean
- Designed as swimwear
- Appropriate to the activity
- Secure enough to not shift or fall off while participating in activities
- Infants and toddlers must wear swimwear over diapers (anyone not potty trained must wear a swim diaper)
- T-shirt or additional layer may be allowed if it does not hamper movement in the water

## **Tree Cutting**

Cutting down of standing trees, alive or dead, is prohibited. Please notify the Camp Ranger of any dead trees or branches that pose a safety risk.

## **Uniform**

The uniform is one of the methods of Scouting. The Scout uniform makes the Troop visible as a force for good and creates a positive youth image in the community. Scouting is an action program, and wearing the uniform is an action that shows each youth's commitment to the aims and purposes of Scouting. The uniform gives the Scout identity in a world brotherhood of youth who believe in the same ideals. The uniform is practical attire for Scout activities and provides a way for Scouts to wear the badges that show what they have accomplished.

At each flag ceremony, as well as during breakfast and dinner, we encourage everyone in camp, youth, and adults, to attend in their Field Uniform. During the remainder of the day, the full uniform is not recommended due to heat, hygiene, and practicality. We recommend that during activities and while around your campsite, leaders and Scouts should wear their Activity Uniform, or a Scout or camp t-shirt.

## **Unpaid Fees**

All unpaid fees are due upon arrival at camp.

## **Vandalism and Destruction of Camp Property**

Vandalism is not only contrary to the values of Scouting, but it can also result in significant financial loss, injury, loss of program, and the potential closing of the camp, affected facility, or program area. Any Scout or unit that takes part in vandalizing, destruction, or theft of camp property will be held financially responsible for all losses incurred and possibly may face legal prosecution and expulsion from camp without a refund.

## **Visitors at Camp**

Summer camp provides an excellent opportunity for Scouts to grow and mature in a safe environment. For these reasons, we ask that you consider only visiting on Friday for Family Night. However, parents are welcome to visit their child in camp any day of the week.

All visitors **MUST** check in at the camp office as soon as they arrive. If a visitor would like to stay for a meal, they must purchase a meal voucher from the Trading Post. Unregistered visitors will be asked to leave.

Remember, no pets are permitted on the property.

## **Wild Animals in Nature**

Camp Birch is nestled in a very wonderful area surrounded by nature preserves and protected land. This means we have a lot of wildlife around us. Please do not hurt, handle, or try to move any of the wildlife. If you have any wildlife issues, please inform the Camp Director as soon as possible so the issue can be resolved. Also, please make sure that no animals are being taken to our Nature Lodge, as we are not an equipped rehabilitation center.

## **Wristbands**

The security and safety of all our campers are paramount. All staff, visitors, and campers, youth and adults, will receive a wristband upon check-in. Wristbands must be worn at all times while on camp property.

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# SCOUT REGISTRATION WORKSHEET

*For Troop use ONLY – Return completed form to Scoutmaster - DO NOT turn into Council Office*

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ Scout's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Free T-Shirt Size:      YM      YL      S      M      L      XL      2XL      3XL

Additional t-shirts are \$12 each for YM to XL and \$14 each for 2XL to 3XL      **Add T-Shirt \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Additional T-Shirt Size:   YM      YL      S      M      L      XL      2XL      3XL

**Summer Camp Dates**                      **Early Deadline**                      **Regular Deadline**                      **Late Deadline** (*circle one*)

Week 1: June 14-20, 2026                      April 14, 2026                      May 14, 2026                      June 13, 2026

Week 2: June 21-27, 2026                      April 21, 2026                      May 21, 2026                      June 20, 2026

**Camp Fees**                                      **Early Cost**                                      **Regular Cost**                                      **Late Cost**                      (*circle one*)

Scout    \$350    \$400    \$450

SCOUT - Additional from Same Family                      \$325    \$375    \$425

SCOUT - Second Week of Camp                      \$300    \$350    \$400

**Activities with Additional Costs** (*circle all that apply*)

Archery MB                      \$5                                      Leatherwork MB                      \$10                                      Shotgun MB                      \$50

Basketry MB                      \$27                                      Mad River Trace                      \$45                                      Space Explor MB                      \$15

Cowboy Act Shoot                      \$20                                      Metalwork MB                      \$15                                      Woodcarving MB                      \$5

Electronics MB                      \$15                                      Rifle MB                      \$20

**Additional Activities \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grand Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

# CAMP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

***Camp Scholarship Applications are due by April 15! Camperships must be redeemed by the regular registration deadline, or they will be forfeited and VOID.***

To ensure that EVERY Scout can attend camp regardless of financial resources, camp scholarships are available to any Scout registered in Tecumseh Council for up to one-third of the cost of camp. The Scout's family and Unit Leader must complete this application and return it to the Council Service Center by April 15. Unit leaders will be notified of the approved camp scholarship. Camp Scholarships are awarded based on family need. Application does not guarantee approval.

Date\_\_\_\_\_ Pack Troop Crew #\_\_\_\_\_ District or County\_\_\_\_\_

Leader's Name\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Scout's Name\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_ City\_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_\_

Camp Scholarship Amount Requested \$\_\_\_\_\_ Amount Scout Will Pay \$\_\_\_\_\_

Unit or Charter Organization Assistance \$\_\_\_\_\_

To which Camp Birch Summer Camp will the Scout be applying the camp scholarship?

Scouts BSA Summer Camp = \$400

Cub Scout Day Camp = \$150

Cub Scout Overnight Camp = \$200

Webelos & Arrow of Light Overnight Camp = \$200

The Scout must complete 3 of the following 4 requirements to be eligible for a camp scholarship:

How much popcorn did the Scout sell for the Unit's popcorn sale? \$\_\_\_\_\_ (required)

Has the Scout advanced any rank in the last 12 months?  Yes  No

Did the Scout participate in the chocolate sale?  Yes  No

How many hours of community service has the Scout provided since August? \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that our family needs assistance. A summer camp experience will not be possible without assistance from the Camp Scholarship Fund.

Parent Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

Unit Leader Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email\_\_\_\_\_ Leader Email\_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form by April 15 to:**

Scouting America, Tecumseh Council  
4057 Swimming Pool Road  
Yellow Springs, OH 45387  
[Noel.Wright@Scouting.org](mailto:Noel.Wright@Scouting.org)



# UNIT ROSTER

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ Week # \_\_\_\_\_ Campsite \_\_\_\_\_ Council \_\_\_\_\_

## Adult Leaders

Name	Cell Phone	Email
1) _____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____
3) _____	_____	_____
4) _____	_____	_____
5) _____	_____	_____
6) _____	_____	_____
7) _____	_____	_____
8) _____	_____	_____

## Youth Members

Name	Name	Name
1) _____	12) _____	23) _____
2) _____	13) _____	24) _____
3) _____	14) _____	25) _____
4) _____	15) _____	26) _____
5) _____	16) _____	27) _____
6) _____	17) _____	28) _____
7) _____	18) _____	29) _____
8) _____	19) _____	30) _____
9) _____	20) _____	31) _____
10) _____	21) _____	32) _____
11) _____	22) _____	33) _____

**Please turn this form in at  
the 10-day-out meeting!**

Questions? Please contact:

[CHTBladership@tecumsehscouting.org](mailto:CHTBladership@tecumsehscouting.org)



# **FAMILY NIGHT MEAL ORDER FORM**

Scoutmaster Name \_\_\_\_\_ Troop # \_\_\_\_\_

Scouts BSA Camp Week 1       Scouts BSA Camp Week 2

\_\_\_\_\_ Total number of meals needed for family night VISITORS

\$10 a meal

\_\_\_\_\_ Total number of meals needed for family night PARTICIPANTS (both youth and adults)

FREE - included in camp fees

Our Unit is opting OUT of Friday dinner provided by camp

\_\_\_\_\_ Total number of VISITOR WRISTBANDS needed

(every visitor MUST check-in with your unit and receive a wristband)

Unit Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Please turn this form in at  
the 10-day-out meeting!**

Questions? Please contact:

[CHTBleadership@tecumsehCouncil.org](mailto:CHTBleadership@tecumsehCouncil.org)



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## ***For Camp Staff Use Only***

Campsite \_\_\_\_\_ Troop # \_\_\_\_\_

Total Meals \_\_\_\_\_ Total Wristbands \_\_\_\_\_

Total Owed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Cash  Check  Credit Card

# **CAMP BIRCH VEHICLE POLICY**

The safety of our Scouts, leaders, and Scouting families at Camp Birch is always of the utmost importance to our council and camp leadership. After extensive review, Scouting America, Tecumseh Council, has implemented vehicle guidelines at Camp Birch that are becoming standard protocol at many other youth serving camp facilities across the country. Please understand that the purpose of this policy is to protect the youth and the adults who visit Camp Hugh Taylor Birch. To ensure the safety of the campers and the staff at Camp Birch, please observe the following during your visit:

1. On arrival, please park in the parking lot and check-In with Camp Staff at the designated check-in location.
2. Any driver wishing to drive on camp must sign and turn in the vehicle policy upon check-in to Camp Staff.
3. After dropping off equipment in campsites, all vehicles must be parked in the main parking lot. Units are welcome to leave trailers by their campsite or designated parking area.
4. All passengers must be in seats, with seatbelts. It is not permitted to ride in truck beds, trailers, etc.
5. Camp speed limit is 10 miles per hour.
6. No vehicle traffic is permitted in camp after check-in without permission from the Camp Ranger or Camp Director. Please contact the Ranger or Camp Director if other arrangements are needed.
7. All vehicles must stay on designated roadways.
8. All non-camp-owned vehicles operating in camp other than during move-in and move-out times must exhibit a vehicle permit provided by Camp Staff.

***Any failure to follow these driving procedures will lead to immediate loss of driving privileges.***

If you have any questions regarding the vehicle policy, please contact the Camp Ranger, Tanner Spencer at 937-346-4842 or [Tanner.Spencer@Scouting.org](mailto:Tanner.Spencer@Scouting.org).

Please share this with your unit's adults and indicate below that you have read and understand this policy.

***I have read and agreed to observe the Camp Birch Vehicle Policy.***

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Printed Name</b>	<b>Make</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Color</b>
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# **COWBOY ACTION WAIVER**

## **Cowboy Action Program Participation and Hold Harmless Agreement**

Camp Hugh Taylor Birch of Scouting America, Tecumseh Council will be conducting a Cowboy Action Range and Target Activity. In this program, participants will shoot a rifle, pistol, and shotgun under the supervision of an NRA Range Safety Officer and NRA certified instructors. Participants will be required to always wear eye protection and hearing protection while on the range. Participants are expected to abide by all safety rules and the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and rifle, pistol, and shotgun instructor(s).

I, the undersigned, give my child, \_\_\_\_\_, permission to participate in this program. I understand that participation in the activity involves a certain degree of risk. I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for my child to participate in the activity. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by the rules and standards of conduct. I release Scouting America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

For safety, my child and I agree that he/she will do the following or he/she will be removed from the program. I understand that any additional cost associated with participation in this program will not be refunded if my child is removed for not following the rules below:

1. Is 14 years of age.
2. Complete a range safety briefing.
3. Wear all safety gear at all times while on the range.
4. Follow all the safety rules provided in the briefing.
5. Follow the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and rifle, pistol, and shotgun instructor(s).
6. Do not handle the firearms until instructed to do so by the instructor(s).
7. Be in full compliance with all local, state, and federal guidelines, including age restrictions and original equipment manufacturer standards.

Date\_\_\_\_\_

Participant Printed Name\_\_\_\_\_ Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Printed Name\_\_\_\_\_ Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address\_\_\_\_\_

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# **DIETARY RESTRICTION FORM**

Participant Name \_\_\_\_\_  Pack  Troop  Crew # \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Camp:  Scouts BSA Summer Camp  Cub Scout Day Camp  Cub Scout Overnight Camp

Webelos & Arrow of Light Overnight Camp  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Camp/Event Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the participant's dietary restriction in detail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Allergy Type:  Ingestion  Contact  Airborne  Other

If other, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What is the severity of the allergy (i.e. anaphylactic)?: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What are the symptoms experienced by the participant if having a reaction?: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Is the allergy controlled by medication?  Yes  No If yes, what medication?: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What is the prescribed dosage of the medication? Does the participant have an epi pen?: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What are substitution ideas?: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Is here any other information you can provide that would be useful to our food service staff?: \_\_\_\_\_

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# **SWIM CLASSIFICATION RECORD**

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[Swim Classification Record](#)

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