

SUMMER CAMP FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



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As we prepare for camp, our leadership continues to review, adapt and adjust protocols and procedures as well as adhere to all current state and county guidelines.

Q: What state/county guidelines are in place now?

Bartle: St. Claire County, MO

As of June 16, 2020 | Missouri in *Phase 2*

**No statewide public health order*

Naish: Wyandotte County, KS

As of June 22, 2020 | Wyandotte County in *Phase 2*

**Summer camps and outdoor activities can reopen as long as they can maintain at least six feet of distance between individuals or groups, beyond 45 individuals and at 50% or less of fire marshal approved capacity.*

In addition to all state/county regulations, our camps will also implement and practice additional safeguards such as reduced capacity, spacing recommendations, sanitation protocols and the use of face coverings all summer long.

Q: How are meals going to be handled?

At this time, meals will be served in campsites through our new "Grab & Go" option. There will be no meals in the dining halls. We are in the process of finalizing our menu to offer both nutritious and hot meal selections.

Q: How is the pre-camp check going to work?

Upon arrival, a staff member will greet your unit at the entrance to camp. At that time a staff member will administer a temperature check of all passengers. The staff member will also collect the BSA Medical Form, Camper Screening Form, Camper Waiver Form and Commitment to Transfer Agreement. If any passenger has a temperature above 100.4°F the vehicle will not be permitted to enter camp.

Q: How will spacing work at camp?

Campers and staff will be required to spread out while at camp. This will be accomplished through:

- **Reducing the number of campers in each session**
- **Fewer campers means more space in merit badges classes and all other activities**
- **Moving meals to campsites instead of dining halls**
- **Encouraging the use of personal chairs**

Campers and staff will also be spaced accordingly during all campfires and ceremonies as well as in campsites.

Q: Are visitors allowed at camp this year?

No. The safety of our campers and staff members is our number one priority. To limit any unnecessary exposure, visitors will not be allowed to access camp this year. This includes all campfires and ceremonies.

Q: Will face coverings be required at all times?

Face coverings will be required during large group events like campfires and ceremonies and may be required at certain program areas at times. Campers and leaders are not required to wear face coverings outside of large person gatherings and certain program areas, but are encouraged to do so.

Face coverings (buffs & masks) will be provided for all campers and staff. Everyone should have their face covering(s) with them at all times.

Q: If my troop is not attending camp, can I transfer my Scout to another troop that is?

Not currently. In order to provide adequate room to spread out at camp, we've reduced the capacity of all sessions. Those interested in attending an alternate session may join our wait list by emailing Laura.Campbell@scouting.org.

Q: If a camper or staff member is sent home, will all of camp be sent home?

Our rapid response protocol is structured to isolate, confirm, respond, and remove an individual for testing. Camp leadership will be notified as to the test results for that individual.

Q: Will we be able to sleep one person per tent?

With less campers in each session, Scouts and leaders may have the opportunity to have their own tent. In the case that 2 people will share a tent, we will require that those campers or leaders sleep head to foot.

Q: Will the swimming pools be open?

Yes. However, pool capacity and aquatic programs will be reduced to ensure that all campers spread out.

Q: Will any program areas not be available?

We continue to review every program/activity offered at our camps. While some program areas will be limited, the only program that will not be offered this summer is C.O.P.E.

Q: Will all merit badges be completed at camp?

No. Scouts will be unable to complete merit badges like Lifesaving and Swimming, where person-to-person contact is required. Merit badges that do not require person-to-person contact will be able to be completed at camp.

Q: Can my unit hike to Iconium or leave camp?

In an effort to limit any unnecessary exposure, campers, leaders and staff will not be allowed to leave camp during their session. At Bartle, staff is working with Scott's General Store to implement a non-contact food delivery system so campers and leaders can still enjoy food items from Iconium.

Q: Will there be a Mic-O-Say/OA program?

Leadership is working on program plans to ensure that elevations and inductions continue in a meaningful way. We are working on the possibility of additional weekends in the fall for elevations and inductions for campers and leaders who are unable to attend camp during the summer.



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CAMP LEADER TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Find out more information about camp and get all your questions answered during our virtual Town Hall Meetings on Facebook Live.



Webelos Camp Town Hall

Monday, June 22 @ 5:30 PM
Naish Reservation Facebook Page



Naish Scouts BSA Town Hall

Monday, June 22 @ 7:00 PM
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Bartle Scouts BSA Town Hall

Wednesday, June 24 @ 7:00 PM
Bartle Reservation Facebook Page

