

# Parent and Leader Guidebook



Sept 29-30, 2023  
American Legion Farm, Blue Springs, Mo.

## **WELCOME!**

Welcome to the Cub Scout Family Camporee! The Blue Elk and Three Trails Districts of the Heart of America Council are eager to show you how much FUN Scouting can be.

## **REGISTRATION**

All Cub Scouts and their families, including siblings, are invited to attend. Camp overnight on Friday, or attend Saturday only and enjoy a fun day of Cub Scout activities. A schedule is included below.

Packs and Dens are encouraged to attend as a group; families also are welcome to attend independently. A parent or guardian must accompany and be responsible for each Cub Scout and other family members for the entire event. Scouts are encouraged to invite a friend to share in the fun.

Register as Dens, Packs, or individual families at: <https://www.hoac-bsa.org/blue-elk-activities-and-camping>

\$15 per person includes Friday night snack, Saturday breakfast, and campground amenities.

The Cub Family Campout will be conducted rain or shine. In case of inclement weather forecast before Sept. 29th, visit [www.hoac-bsa.org/three-trails-activities-and-camping](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/three-trails-activities-and-camping) for information. In case of inclement weather during the campout, announcements will be made at the campground. Staff contact information appears below.

## **WHAT TO BRING**

Download a list from <https://scoutlife.org/outdoors/outdoorarticles/6976/scout-outdoor-essentials-checklist/> or <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34-49.pdf>. Be sure to bring:

- Sufficient water for overnight and all day Saturday.

- Hand sanitizer for health and safety.
- **A light lunch for Saturday.**

## **LOCATION**

American Legion Farm is located at 499 Legion Drive, Blue Springs, MO 64014. On Interstate 70 about 13 miles east of Truman Sports Complex or nine miles west of Oak Grove, take the Adams Dairy Parkway exit; then south about 1.5 miles to US 40 Highway; then east on U.S. 40 about 1.5 miles to the campground. Watch for signs. GPS coordinates from Google Maps: 39.013542, -94.247308.

## **ARRIVAL AND CHECK-IN**

A Scouting commissioner will greet you and direct you to a parking area. After you are parked, check in at Cub Family Campout Headquarters. You will be directed from there to the camping area.

## **FACILITIES**

A campground map is included in the Appendix to this Guidebook. Portable restroom and handwashing facilities are provided in the camping and program areas.

Any campfires at campsites must be contained in a fire barrel or pit off the ground. Campfires may be subject to a burn ban, issued by the City of Blue Springs, Jackson County, or the Central Jackson County Fire Protection District. Check at the Registration tent.

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY PROCEDURES**

The Heart of America Council wants everyone to stay safe. Pandemic health and safety guidelines of Jackson County, Missouri in effect at the time of the campout will be followed. We encourage use of masks, social distancing, frequent hand washing and use of hand sanitizer.

All in attendance must have a completed Parts A & B the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record. Parents and/or Packs must retain these forms on site throughout Campout. The form is an appendix to this guidebook and can be found at [www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr](http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr) (use the "All Scouting Events" form).

All activities will be conducted in strict accordance with the Guide to Safe Scouting posted at [www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss](http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss). Staff and volunteers specifically trained to supervise specific activities, especially shooting sports, will be present.

Each family or Pack/Den should bring a first aid kit. For urgent situations, trained first aid and medical personnel will be on site at Cub Family Campout Headquarters throughout the event.

## **Emergency Procedures:**

**Listen for 3 horn blasts. It will signal an emergency. Specific directions will follow.**

### **Severe Weather**

- Electrical Storm: Stay away from trees and buildings, take shelter in a low area. Take scouts quickly to cars or vans.
- Severe Rain or Hail: Take cover using the best and nearest shelter available.
- Severe Winds: Stay away from trees and get into an open area.
- If your Camp cannot take place because of severe weather Camp Staff will do their best to contact you with a change of date or location. This is one reason it is important to have accurate and legible information on your Pack Registration Form.

### **Lost Scout**

- Send an Adult to contact the Camp Director.
- Search in the most likely places: restrooms, vehicles, favorite stations.....
- Ask others in the Pack if they know where he/she could be.
- Follow Directions of the Camp Director.

## Health Emergencies

- Stop life-threatening dangers to keep victims from further harm.
- Notify the Camp Health Officer and the Camp Director.
- Get proper medical help.
- Contact parents/guardians

## Fire

- Clear area of campers.
- Suppress fire, if able.
- Notify the Camp Director and follow their directions.

## Child Abuse

- Separate victim from abuser.
- Notify the Camp Director immediately.

## SCHEDULE

### Friday, Sept. 29, 2023

5:00 – 8:00 PM Campground opens, check-in/registration, set up tents

8:15 PM Campfire program

Following Campfire Light snack

9:00 PM Scouter/Parent Get-Together

10:00 PM Lights Out

### Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023

6:29 AM Sunrise

7:00 AM Check-in/registration

7:00 – 8:30 AM Breakfast; break camp, pack

8:45 AM Opening ceremony, welcome

9:00 - 11:15 AM Activity Stations open

Archery Challenge

Stockyards Branding Iron

Slingshot Challenge

Scout Law Jenga

Make Your Flying Saucer

Obstacle Course

Launch It

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM Lunch on your own; break camp, pack

12:30 – 2:15 PM Activity Stations open

Hula Hoop Relay

Make A Tie dye ???

Dock Your Flying Saucer

4:00 PM Campground closes; departure

## **OPENING NIGHT ACTIVITIES**

Campfire: Join all campers and their families for a fun evening program.

Evening Snack: A light, portable snack will be available after the campfire.

Parent/Scouter Get-Together: Parents and Leaders are invited to Campout Headquarters to meet other parents and Pack leaders and district Scouter's. Have questions about Scouting in the Blue Elk district or the Heart of America Council? Stop by and ask!

## **SATURDAY ACTIVITIES**

Scouting is Fun! Cubs, leaders and families are welcome to go from station to station at their own pace. Activities at each station take varying times. If there is a line, try another station! We encourage visiting every station, although feel free to return to any station.

Follow directions of Station Volunteers. Strict safety guidelines will be enforced. Take your turn. Respect others. Remember the Scout Law, especially Friendly, Courteous, Obedient and Cheerful.

Archery Challenge: Bows and arrows provided. Range safety is strictly enforced.

Stockyards Branding Iron: Burn a design or letter on leather (provided).

Slingshot Challenge: Slingshots provided. Range safety is strictly enforced.

Scout Law Jenga: A mental challenge of skill and memory.

Make Your Flying Saucer: Decorate your flying saucer.

Obstacle Course: Have fun going through our obstacle course.

Launch It: Make and launch a paper rocket.

Hula Hoop Relay: Kids vs Adults (After Lunch Event)

Make A Tie dye ???: Bring whatever you want to Tie Dye. (After Lunch Event)

Dock Your Flying Saucer: Dock your flying saucer. (After Lunch Event)

## **QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? VOLUNTEER?**

Let us know if you have any questions about the Blue Elk/Three Trails Cub Family Campout. Want to help out? We can always find something for friendly, willing registered Scouters to do.

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## **SCOUT OATH**

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

## SCOUT LAW

- **TRUSTWORTHY:** Tell the truth and keep promises. People can depend on you.
- **LOYAL:** Show that you care about your family, friends, Scout leaders, school, and country. **HELPFUL.** Volunteer to help others without expecting a reward.
- **FRIENDLY:** Be a friend to everyone, even people who are very different from you.
- **COURTEOUS:** Be polite to everyone and always use good manners.
- **KIND:** Treat others as you want to be treated. Never harm or kill any living thing without good reason.
- **OBEDIENT:** Follow the rules of your family, school, and pack. Obey the laws of your community and country.
- **CHEERFUL:** Look for the bright side of life. Cheerfully do tasks that come your way. Try to help others be happy.
- **THRIFTY:** Work to pay your own way. Try not to be wasteful. Use time, food, supplies, and natural resources wisely.
- **BRAVE:** Face difficult situations even when you feel afraid. Do what you think is right despite what others might be doing or saying.
- **CLEAN:** Keep your body and mind fit. Help keep your home and community clean.
- **REVERENT:** Be reverent toward God. Be faithful in your religious duties. Respect the beliefs of others.

## OUTDOOR CODE

As an American, I will do my best to—

Be clean in my outdoor manners.

Be careful with fire.

Be considerate in the outdoors.

Be conservation minded.

## LEAVE NO TRACE

Choose the right path, trash your trash, leave what you find, and respect wildlife.

APPENDIX

## HEALTH FORM

[www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr](http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr). Download form for “All Scouting Events” for form without requirement for physical examination. Form is included at the end of this section.

## WHAT TO BRING

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CAMPGROUND MAP

