

PARENT INFORMATION

Boy Scout Camp

* **LOCATION** – The Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation is located in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, just off Route 183. From the south take Interstate 78 to Route 183 north. Cross over the Blue Mountain. At the base of the mountain, turn left just past the Blue Ridge Inn onto Blue Mountain Road, follow the signs into camp. From the north take Route 183 south. Make a right turn just before the Blue Ridge Inn onto Blue Mountain Road and follow the signs.

ALL VEHICLES MUST BE PARKED IN THE PARKING LOT AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CAMP.

* **MEDICAL FORM** – ALL Scouts and Leaders must have a physical form in order to take part in activities at camp. The National Council requires that all boys have **the physician's information and physician's signature within the last thirty-six months attached and that the parent re-sign the form each year** after reviewing the Scouts health. Adults over 40 years of age must have an annual physical prior to camp. Forms will be given to the Scoutmaster prior to camp. Upon arrival at camp, all persons will be given a health screening by our health officer. The Troop maintains the original and turns in a copy upon arrival.

* **EMERGENCIES** – If an emergency arises and you need immediate contact with your son, call the camp office (570) 754-7552. Someone is in the Administration Building from 8:30 AM – 9:30 PM. After hours phone number (9:30 PM – 7:00 AM) is the Health Lodge (570) 754-7196.

* **HEALTH LODGE** – The camp operates a Health Lodge for first aid of minor injuries, not medical treatment. In the event of a serious injury, the parent would be contacted before the Scout would be transported to a local clinic or hospital. All accidents must be reported to the Health Lodge to ensure insurance coverage. The Health Lodge phone number is (570) 754-7196.

* **VISITORS** – Visitors are welcome at Camp Meade. Time, however, is short while your son is at camp so visits should be kept at a minimum. **ALL VISITORS MUST CHECK-IN AT THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING BEFORE GOING TO A CAMPSITE. No pets are allowed in camp at any time.**

* **MEALS** – Occasionally, a visitor plans on being in camp over a mealtime. If arrangements are made one day in advance, the visitor may eat with the Troop. Meal cost: Breakfast - \$3.00 / Lunch - \$5.00 / Dinner - \$6.00. Meals are paid for in advance at the Administration Building.

* **LEAVING CAMP** – Before a Scout or Leader can leave camp, we ask that you sign-out at the Administration Building. This will enable us to know the whereabouts of all persons in camp in case of an emergency. We have the right to request verification of anyone picking up a Scout other than legal guardian or parent.

* **UNIFORMS** – Scouts and Leaders are requested to wear the Scout Uniform while in camp. For those with a limited number of uniforms, the emphasis should be on retreat ceremonies, evening meals, and campfires.

• **MAIL SERVICE** – Mail deliveries and collections are made daily at the Administration Building at 11:00 AM. Incoming mail should have the following information:

SCOUT'S NAME: _____
TROOP NO.: _____ **CAMPSITE:** _____
HAWK MOUNTAIN SCOUT RESERVATION
402 BLUE MOUNTAIN ROAD
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA 17972

IN ORDER FOR MAIL TO REACH YOUR SON, PLEASE MAIL IT – WITH RETURN ADDRESS – NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY OF HIS WEEK IN CAMP. PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR RETURN ADDRESS ON ALL MAIL.

* **TRADING POST** – The camp operates a trading post for the sale of camp souvenirs, Scout wares, campcraft items and snacks. Boys working on Basketry, Woodcarving, Leatherwork and Indian Lore will find the necessary kits available for \$15.00 - \$20.00.

* **FAMILY MEAL** – Friday night the Order of the Arrow offers our closing campfire and recognition's. Prior to the campfire, we have a family style dinner. Cost of the BBQ chicken dinner: Adults - \$7.00 / Children (10 and Under) - \$5.00. Reservations are made prior to camp through your Troop Committee. No additional tickets may be purchased after Monday morning of your son's week at camp.

* **WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP. HERE IS A SUGGESTED LIST.**

CLOTHING

Scout Uniform(s) with socks
Daily change of underwear
Extra socks
Tee shirts
Jeans or long pants
Pajamas
Raincoat/poncho
Casual shoes
Hiking boots
Hankerchiefs
Shoes to get wet

PERSONAL ITEMS

Toilet kit
Towels
Insect Repellent
Comb or brush

**MOST FIND IT CONVENIENT
TO CARRY ALL THESE ITEMS
IN A TRUNK WITH A COMBINATION
LOCK**

BEDDING

Air mattress or foam pad
Sleeping bag or blankets
Pillow (if desired)

SCOUT GEAR

Mess kit
Knife, fork, spoon
Canteen
Flashlight
Scout Handbook
Pen, pencil, pad
Small knapsack
Scout knife
Equipment needed for merit badges

OPTIONAL

Bible
Camera
Clock
Compass
Fishing tackle
Musical instruments

PLEASE DO NOT BRING VALUABLES TO CAMP !