

2024 CAMP LASSEN SCOUTS BSA LEADER GUIDE



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WELCOME LETTER

Dear Scouts and Scouters:

Welcome to the 2024 program guide for Golden Empire Council, Camp Lassen. We are excited to be bringing Scouts BSA back to Camp Lassen and have designed an exciting program for you. This guide has important information that adult leaders, parents, and the youth leadership of your unit will need for your stay at Camp Lassen. It contains program information along with the administrative steps necessary to help make your summer camp experience easy and enjoyable!

Please review this guide completely

We have worked hard this off-season to put together our most exciting program yet! We are continuing 'all inclusive' camp fee—materials for merit badges are included without an additional fee. In 2024 we are bringing back College Fresh, to provide the great food we enjoyed in camp last year! Program schedules ensure enough time between classes for travel for your Scouts and there is open program time. Have fun with our spoof Duct Tape merit badge or work on real ones like Communications, Electronics, and more.

We will be celebrating Camp Lassen's 90th birthday with a party every week! Whether you are here for our Trail to First Class, merit badges of all degrees of difficulty, exciting opportunities for adults and youth alike, wonderful ranges, or the remote forest settings, all of us at Camp Lassen look forward to assisting you and your unit in creating the best summer camp experience yet.

Our camp staff is committed to exceeding your expectations. They are being carefully selected and trained to assist you. Your camp experience will be filled with adventures you will never forget. You will be awed by the natural beauty of the Sierra Mountain range, thrilled by the array of Scouting adventures, and overjoyed by the friendships and fellowship you will experience.

We look forward to greeting you this summer at camp. Please do not hesitate to contact our Camping Department for any reason; we are here to serve! Thank you for choosing Lassen as your summer camp destination, and we can't wait for you to experience a Camp Lassen Adventure!

Yours in Scouting, Camping Department, Golden Empire Council

CONTACT INFORMATION

We look forward to working with your troop to make your summer camp experience is outstanding. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or needs.

Golden Empire Council Camping Department - (916) 333-5434 or <u>camping@gec-bsa.org</u> Council Mailing Address: P.O. Box 251 Sacramento, CA 95853

Summer Camp Phone - (530)873-4961 Camp Lassen Website - <u>https://www.gec-bsa.org/camping</u> Camp Lassen Address: 21359 Scout Rd Butte Meadows, CA 95942

OUR MISSION

Provide a week long, life changing opportunity for every Scout.

Above all else, we will:

- 1. Ensure that every Scout has a chance for a unique and wonderful experience.
- 2. Help build memories with friends, leaders, and family that will last a lifetime.
- 3. Teach fundamental skills to each Scout and develop leadership, citizenship, personal well-being, and self-confidence.
- 4. Create a camp program that is exciting, innovative and meaningful.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

We strive to create the Scouting experience of the year for every Scout who attends camp. Leadership, personal growth and development with duty and responsibility are the key ideals in Scouting and are the basis for everything we do.



THE SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE

There is something appealing to youth about packing up their gear and going camping for a week. Six nights and seven days in the woods to experience the mountains, the lakes, and the rivers; it is an adventure! An adventure that no troop can duplicate on their own. A week of camp builds memories that will never be forgotten. We look forward to another amazing camp season with you this summer!

<u>AN ACCREDITED CAMP</u>: Camp Lassen is accredited each summer by the National Camping Accreditation Program (NCAP). This means that the camp has met strict guidelines in health, safety, and programming.

We are prepared for emergencies and understand that Scouts and Scouters are in our care. We take pride in making sure we meet these standards in all areas of our camp.

<u>CAMP PROGRAM</u>: To us, the program is more than merit badge classes. It also has unique opportunities for scouts of all ages including staff hunt and camp wide games. It includes flag ceremonies and campfires. It's the songs and the cheers. We believe that the program is everything you experience, from the time you step out of your car until you are headed back home. We believe we are prepared to deliver an incredible camp program. New Scouts will enjoy our Trail to First Class (where they work on rank advancement), while older Scouts can choose to be challenged in High Adventure programs. We know that every troop is different and approaches merit badge work in its own way. We have developed a curriculum that has a wide variety and are looking forward to helping you plan the program that is best for you.

<u>THE STAFF</u>: Our staff hiring and training is a 10-month process, starting on the day camp closes the previous year. We hire the best candidates for each position and complete a week-long training program before we see any Scouts! We are dedicated, we are enthusiastic, and we are here to serve. The staff at Lassen is top notch and what sets us apart!

<u>FOOD</u>: Our meals are planned and prepared by professionals. You will enjoy well-balanced meals and we always offer additional food to what is served. You'll enjoy salad bars, cereal, delicious entrees, and seconds!

THE HISTORY OF CAMP LASSEN

Mt. Lassen Area Council established its first summer camp in 1924 in the Humbug Valley near Longville in Plumas County and named it Camp Na Wa Kwa. Problems of accessibility and water availability developed and in 1933 a Council contingent chose the present Chico Meadows site, and leased approximately 25 acres from the Diamond Match Company, which later became Sierra Pacific Industries.

In July 1934, The Council operated a two-week summer session at Camp Na Wa Kwa, then the old camp was demolished and lumber, roofing, equipment and supplies were moved to the Chico Meadows site. A group of older Scouts and leaders established a temporary camp there, laid 4,100 ft. of water pipe from the natural spring to a water tank, completed a detailed survey of the area, and held a special three-week camp session at "Camp Meadows", as they were calling it. Harry Ogle, Scout Executive of Mt. Lassen Area Council, announced the "Camp Lassen" name on August 23,1934.

This first summer of 1934 also saw the clearing of right of way to connect the new camp with Deer Creek Road (present day Highway 32) and 10 acres of the camp to reduce fire hazard, and completion of a 960 sq. ft. storage, temporary kitchen, and hospital building. Some remains of the actual mill site could still be found near the present Nature Lodge. A 145 ft. flag pole was harvested and seasoned, and a golden eagle with an 8 ft. wingspan that rotated like a weather vane was mounted at the top. After the flagpole blew over during the winter of 1951, it was replaced the next summer with a more standard size pole.

The first full camping season at Camp Lassen was the summer of 1935. A hospital, "blockhouse", tent platforms, and toilet and shower units were built from lumber from Camp Na Wa Kwa. A dirt dam converted Chico Creek into Lake Lassen, and the lodge—complete kitchen, pantry, walk-in icebox, dining hall, lighted stage, administrative office, toilets, showers, staff quarters, and administrative office--started in September 1935 and completed the following spring.

Camp Lassen was envisioned as a year-round venue available to boys, girls, and other community groups. Each troop in the Council would have its own camping area, to be cleared, planned, and developed for its own use. "Every Girls Camp", serving all girls from 10 to 18 years old, representing Camp Fire, Girl Scout, Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters, 4H, and any girl interested in camping, was held the first 2 weeks of August from 1935-1950.

The ensuing decades have seen many changes—additions of adirondaks, more camp buildings, cabins for science camp, programs like COPE and horses, celebrations of the 50th and 75th anniversaries. More historical information is available on the Camp Lassen Alumni website: www.CampLassen.com and will be part of this summer's program at camp.



REGISTERING FOR MERIT BADGES

While at camp, your Scouts will experience our top-notch program led by trained summer staff. Your Scouts can choose from a variety of merit badge courses and waterfront activities to customize their week of fun!



MERIT BADGE COURSES: Scouts should begin planning and preparing for their merit badge courses many weeks before coming to camp. Many merit badges are easy to earn in a few days at camp, although others take a lot of work both in and out of camp.

Scouts can typically take any merit badge, yet our experience shows that some of the classes are more academic and difficult for our less mature and seasoned campers. We strongly encourage you to help your Scouts choose a schedule that will ensure they can succeed!

We are eager to work with your Scouts on their completion of merit badge requirements. However, we abide by the BSA policy on requirements; we will not amend a requirement. Just because a Scout comes to camp and is registered in a class does not mean they will automatically complete the merit badge. A Scout's individual effort and responsibility are the predominant factor in whether or not they completed requirements.



Your Scouts may be assigned homework to do in their campsites outside of program time. It is recommended that Scouts have a current merit badge book for each course they are taking. It is our policy at the Golden Empire Council to only sign off on merit badge work that is completed at our camp. When we are working to verify information many years in the future, we want to only represent the work that we actually helped with. We understand that many merit badges have requirements that will need to be completed before and after camp. Scouts should bring their individual history reports if the Troop would like to show that prerequisite work has been completed, not for our sign off on their records at camp but if it is necessary to complete other steps in the merit badge process.



ONLINE SCHEDULING FOR MERIT BADGE CLASSES: Registration for merit badge classes and specialty programs are completed using our online class scheduling module. It is important that you prepare in advance for your class scheduling. The online module is a "real-time" system, and you will get the most out of it by completing your unit's entire schedule at one time. Be sure to have a program session at a troop meeting to discuss available classes, then

have the Scouts decide on a schedule based on their interests and advancement needs. Many classes will fill up quickly, so it is important to complete your class scheduling as early and completely as possible.

<u>CLASS SCHEDULING WILL BEGIN AT 9:00 a.m. April 22nd, 2024</u>: The portal to begin class scheduling will open for Scouts that are paid in full. Scouts not fully paid will not change access to those paid in full. Early payment is welcome but does not change scheduling availability.

Be aware that courses are first-come, first- served, and our online module is "real-time". Class capacities are rarely expanded, so register early!

- Print your unit's schedule from the online scheduling module. Review each Scout's schedule with them and be sure to check online for open spots in classes if you need to make scheduling changes.
- Classes may be changed online by the registration owner up until 2 weeks prior to start of camp.

<u>MERIT BADGE REPORTS</u>: There will be binders or a board where you can check your scout's progress on merit badges throughout the week. This way any errors can be managed early, making your advancement reports accurate from the beginning.

The Black Pug system is great for running reports and printing Blue Cards at home. This can be done by the registration owner of the Black Pug registration. There will be an opportunity at camp to learn how to access this information in Black Pug. There is also the capability of downloading a CSV file that can be uploaded into Scoutbook, making it easier to record advancements from camp.



We will print an advancement report for your troop to take home (barring power outages, internet interruptions, and printer issues). If there are any errors on your report that do not get resolved at camp, please email <u>camping@gec-bsa.org</u> within 3 months of attendance at camp. Camp staff move on to careers or school obligations after. Please provide the following information: Troop #, Week at camp, Scout name, Merit Badge, and issue to address.

We will not be filling out Blue Cards at camp. Partial Blue Cards with 1-3 items completed at camp are the exception.

<u>CHANGING CLASSES AT CAMP</u>: Sometimes Scouts change their minds. Our staff will be available after the opening campfire to help with last-minute changes if space is available. Please check in at the office or during Sunday evening sign-ups before sending your Scout to a class for which they were not pre-registered for on-line. This helps everyone make sure the scout's work is properly credited.

<u>COURSE GUIDE</u>: The last pages of this Leaders Guide contain information on some of the merit badges that will be offered at camp. The official schedule will be available separately in late March/early April. Our curriculum has been developed through a unique collaboration of Scoutmasters, summer camp staff, and our council's camping and advancement committees. We are proud of the variety of programs offered. Every one of your Scouts will find something for them.

Summer camp is primarily about fun! Too often, younger Scouts create an aggressive class schedule focused on advancement. Please encourage your Scouts to take a variety of classes and work with them to help create appropriate schedules that mix advancement with adventure and fun. We believe that camp is about outdoor adventure and challenge; a Scout only enrolled in academic classes is missing out.

Many of our programs have age-appropriate suggestions and some have required minimum ages. We encourage you to use these guidelines when Scouts are creating their class schedules.

<u>Important Info about Prerequisites and Items Not Covered in Class</u>: You will find that some of our class offerings include prerequisites or requirements that cannot be completed at camp. In some cases, a merit badge is a prerequisite for another merit badge and must have been

completed prior to summer camp. We do not permit Scouts to take these classes concurrently and these prerequisites must be completed before camp starts. Any exceptions are noted on the merit badge course guide. Other requirements will not be covered in class as they are not able to be completed at camp for a particular reason (for example: requires documentation and/or observation for longer than a week, requires task(s) to be done at home, etc.). Requirements that can be completed before arrival will need to be verified by another merit badge counselor or your Scoutmaster as appropriate. Use the new pre-requisite form that will be available with the Merit Badge Course Guide.

PROGRAM AREAS AND ACTIVITIES

<u>POLAR BEAR SWIM</u>: Wake up in the mornings with a splash in the Lassen Lake at 6:30 a.m. Participate 2 out of 4 days and earn a special patch!

BSA MILE SWIM: Swim the mile swim course at Lake Lassen on Friday morning. Complete the swim in the allotted amount of time and earn the BSA Mile Swim Patch. Training swims are 7am daily.

<u>AQUATIC SAFETY TRAINING</u>: There will be a class available to review BSA policy pertaining to unit outings where aquatics activities will be conducted. For unit swim activities, BSA policy requires adult leaders to be certified with BSA Swimming & Water Rescue training.



<u>SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY</u>: This area teaches Scouts the necessary STEM skills to inspire a new career, create a hobby, or use new technology. As one of the newest areas added to Camp Lassen, it seeks to teach 21st-century skills to our newest generation of Scouts. We seek to apply these skills in an outdoor environment. Watch your Scouts learn how to build patrol gear in the Engineering merit badge or learn how science influences every aspect of your camping trip in the experiment-based chemistry merit badge class, and more.

<u>HANDICRAFT</u>: The pride and satisfaction of making something at camp is very real, so Handicraft has always been very popular. The Handicraft area is open and staffed throughout the day to accommodate Scouts interested in merit badges or craft projects. Craft kits and supplies are sold at the trading post. Scouts should bring some extra money for craft projects (\$30 should be enough) if they are not pre-registered for a class. The Handicraft area is one place where Scouts always find success.

<u>TRAIL TO FIRST CLASS</u>: Where the Trail to Eagle begins! This activity area, devoted exclusively to new Scouts who are not yet First Class, specializes in the outdoor requirements for the Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks.

Items to bring to program everyday: Handbook, Water Bottle, Pen/Pencil, Paper, Compass, Personal First-Aid Kit, Scout Spirit!



TARGET AND RANGE SPORTS: New name but all the same activities. Lassen offers a .22 caliber single-shot bolt action rifle target shooting range and an archery range. The ranges are under the supervision of an adult certified by the NRA and BSA National Camping School at all times. They are assisted by other staff trained in shooting sports. Permission slips are required from parents/guardians authorizing their Scout to participate in any shooting sports activity. Shotgun will have open shoot opportunities 2

nights while at camp. Sign-ups will happen during the SPL meeting during lunch on Monday. If you have scouts/leaders interested please make sure your SPL knows. Space is limited.

PERSONAL FIREARMS OF ANY CALIBER, AMMUNITION, HUNTING ARROWS AND CROSSBOWS MAY NOT BE BROUGHT TO CAMP. SAFETY IS FIRST AND FOREMOST AT ALL RANGES. INDIVIDUALS MAY BE ALLOWED TO BRING PERSONAL BOWS INTO CAMP IF ARRANGED WITH THE CAMP DIRECTOR IN ADVANCE.

LASSEN LUMBERJACK: The Lassen Lumberjack is an exciting and challenging program designed for older and experienced Scouts. During the program, Scouts will learn teamwork, outdoor skills, how to properly use an axe and saw, and obtain an in-depth wilderness survival experience. They will also complete the requirements for the Paul Bunyan Award.



<u>ADVENTURE TEAM</u>: Adventure team is for your First Class Scouts and above (including adult leaders). The program is designed to add adventure and excitement for older scouts, and to give new scouts something to look forward to in the years to come. First Class Scouts and above are encouraged to participate in these bonus time activities which are scheduled each day after normal program areas close. The schedule varies with time and activity. Note: Events are subject to change.

- Monday Supply Run to the Lassen Outpost Bring a flashlight, water, and wear long pants.
- Tuesday Nighttime Capture-The-Flag Team up with some of the staff for a few hours of nighttime Capture-The-Flag. Bring water, a flashlight, wear warm clothes.
- Wednesday Gaga Ball
- Thursday Tomahawk-athon
- Friday Staff hunt! All Scouts, regardless of rank, compete to see who can locate the most staff members. They are crafty and blend in, so make sure you pay special attention all week to get to know ALL of the staff!

FRIDAY CAMPWIDE GAMES: This is a camp-wide, fun-filled afternoon of some of the craziest events you have ever seen. Be prepared to get wet, dirty, and tired along the way. There

will be awards for the unit with the best times and participation throughout the whole event, so plan for some fun.

<u>SCOUTMASTER'S MERIT BADGE</u>: Adult leaders want to earn badges too! Camp Lassen offers the Scoutmaster's Merit Badge, established to involve the adult leaders of the troop in Camp Lassen's daily program. Requirements will be shared during the Pre-camp leader meeting and then posted on website following the meeting.

BEAD RECOGNITION PROGRAM: Scouts and adults are encouraged to participate in our Bead Recognition Program. A form will be shared during the pre-camp leader meeting on how to earn beads and an arrowhead during your week at camp. Beads, necklaces and arrowheads can be purchased in the Trading Post by submitting an order form by noon on Thursday of your week at camp. Wear your necklaces to the Thursday Night 90th Birthday Bash. Please feel free to add your Lassen beads and arrowhead to your Winton Trail necklace. They are both Golden Empire Council Camps.



STANDARD AND HONOR TROOP AWARDS: Troops do a lot at camp and deserve recognition for their hard work beyond their Merit Badges and Activities. A troop should follow the Scout Oath and Law at Camp, keep their campsite clean and help with projects and activities around camp. There will be a score sheet handed out during the Leader Meeting on Sunday at 4pm (Score sheets will also be previewed at the Pre-Camp Leader Meeting on April 14). Campsite inspections will be conducted by our Commissioner Staff Monday-Thursday. Additional points will be awarded for a variety of elements and opportunities during the week at camp. The Standard Troop Award shows great participation and Scout Spirit in camp for the week. The Honor Troop Award is for troops that are able to go above and beyond.

CAMPFIRES

Come experience the excitement of Camp Lassen Campfires.

<u>OPENING CAMPFIRE:</u> Sunday evening, we'll kick off the week with excitement!

<u>CAMPSITE CAMPFIRE:</u> Wednesday evening is a nice time to enjoy a campfire in your campsite. From cooking your dinner to hanging out and sharing story, skits and songs or an ever-favorite Scout Joke competition. Or practice your troop skit/song for the closing campfire.

<u>CLOSING CAMPFIRE</u>: Friday evening, we'll close the week together with fellowship and fun!

We will be recognizing the Troops and Scouts for their accomplishments and participation throughout the week, while troops perform skits and songs they have prepared during the week.



ADULT LEADER AND SENIOR PATROL LEADER MEETINGS

<u>ADULT MEETINGS</u>: An orientation meeting will be held at **4:00 pm on Sunday** for adult leaders. Please have an adult representative from your Troop present at this meeting. Information will be given out concerning the camp, its policies & procedures, and any specific items related to your week at camp. We will also address any specific needs or questions you might have at this meeting.

An Adult Leader meeting will be held each morning **Monday - Friday at 10:00 a.m.** in the Lodge. We will provide important information and discuss any concerns or needs you may have.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT EVERY UNIT IS REPRESENTED AT BOTH THE ADULT LEADER AND SPL MEETINGS.

<u>SENIOR PATROL LEADER MEETINGS</u>: The Senior Patrol Leaders (SPL) are a vital part of the camp program. Information about upcoming camp activities and special events is distributed through the camp Senior Patrol Leader's Meeting. The SPL meet daily during lunch with the commissioner staff. This is where they will sign-up for flag ceremonies, service at meals, and cleaning. After the daily meetings, the SPL return to their units and share the latest information. This is a great opportunity to strengthen your SPL's leadership skills.

A SCOUT IS REVERENT

The final point of the Scout Law is an integral part of camp. To assist Scouts and Scouters in their obligations, we hold a Scouts Own/interfaith service on Sunday evening.

Whether or not a Scout or Leader attends the interfaith service, camp is also a wonderful place to contemplate how one follows the 12th point of the scout law.

FLAG CEREMONIES

Your unit should attend the daily camp-wide morning and evening flag ceremonies after which you go directly to meals at the lodge. Please make sure to be early to avoid disrupting the ceremony.

SCOUTS AND LEADERS ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR BSA FIELD UNIFORMS (TAN SCOUT SHIRTS) TO ALL THE FLAG CEREMONIES AND CAMPFIRES.



ORDER OF THE ARROW

The Order of the Arrow, the National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America, plays a very important part in the camping program of both the troop and the summer camp. All Arrowmen are reminded to bring their sash to camp and are invited to attend a fellowship on Tuesday evening during dinner.

CAMP LEADERSHIP

<u>ADULT LEADERS</u>: Every unit in camp must have two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over. There must be a registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth or female adult program participants.

A registered adult leader has completed the registration process including BSA Youth Protection Training, and all units located in California must complete all parts of AB506: Online Mandated Reporter Training and Livescan fingerprinting. All background and fingerprinting must come back clear before being considered registered (make sure to allow time for all verification to be completed). See "Adult Leader Verification" section below for details on showing verification of leaders attending camp.

It is preferable that the regular unit leader or regular assistants attend camp the entire week. The practice of changing adult leaders every day or two is highly disruptive to your Scouts and to the overall camp program. The Scoutmaster is the key adult leader in Scouting. The effectiveness of Scouting depends on the Scoutmaster's training and understanding of the Scouting principles. The Scoutmaster guides the troop leaders and shows the patrols the road ahead. As the Scouts work toward their goals, each patrol grows stronger and through the patrols, the troop prospers. The Scoutmaster insists on maintaining good camping, health and sanitation standards in the troop. The Scoutmaster helps the Senior Patrol Leader lead troop activities without doing the job for them.

<u>YOUTH LEADERS</u>: A youth leader, when properly trained and utilized, is a Scoutmaster's most valuable asset. Youth leaders can relieve a great deal of the responsibility from the adult leaders while your unit attends camp. The adult leader is always the coach, but sharing the leadership with the youth leaders will help your unit all year round.

Encourage your Patrol Leaders Council to start making plans now for summer camp. Make decisions each month. This encourages your Scouts to remain interested and involved, which heightens the summer camp experience.

<u>CAMP COMMISSIONERS</u>: Commissioners provide a great variety of services to your unit. They are the "front line" staff of the summer camp team. They check-in with your unit to see how things are going. They help whenever and however they can. They will not, however, take over the leadership of your unit. If you or any of your other adult leaders need some basic instruction in various Scout skills, your commissioner will be glad to help. Your commissioner is a friend, a counselor, and an expert in many areas. If they do not know the answer to a question, they will find out. Your commissioners' primary job in camp is to help your unit have a good experience and meet its goals. Commissioners will also conduct daily campsite inspections and judging for the Standard and Honor Troop Award.

2024 SUMMER CAMP RESERVATION INFORMATION

<u>CAMP FEES</u>: The camp fee includes campsite, toilet and shower facilities, seventeen meals, program supplies and activities.

Go to <u>https://scoutingevent.com/047-77453</u> for the most up to date information for Important Dates and Prices.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Golden Empire Council has instituted a new refund policy to ensure that we can provide the best quality program at camp. A great deal of advanced planning and purchasing takes place for camp programs and merit badges.

- 30 days or more before start of camp (Friday, May 24th 2024) = 100% refund, up to the \$500 nonrefundable deposit
- 29 days or less before the start of camp (Saturday May 25th 2024) = 0% refund **

In order to maintain the most cost effective and positive program, all refunds will be applied to the troop registration, up to the \$500 nonrefundable reservation fee. <u>No refunds will be issued</u> <u>for cancellations within 30 days from the start of camp</u>. Refunds are not given for No-Shows, schedule conflicts, weather conditions, or behavior issues occurring before or during the camp. Refunds are considered based upon the following criteria and timeline and are returned to the person or entity in the manner they were received. Any overpayment of camp fees will be documented at check-in. A check for the overpayment will be mailed from the council service center. We are not permitted to issue refunds from camp.

** Participants who cancel from an event within 30 days of expected arrival will be considered for up to a 60% refund if the refund request is accompanied by a verified Doctor's note stating the patient was not able to attend camp during their registered dates. Refund requests under these circumstances will not be considered if not received at the Council Service Center more than 14 days after the start of the event. If you need further clarification, please call the Camping Desk at 916-333-5434

<u>CAMPSITE SELECTION</u>: Campsites are requested on a first-come, first-served basis and are considered a "pencil-assignment." We receive many campsite requests so campsite assignments are not guaranteed. It is important to register early and keep your registration accurate so that we can plan accordingly. Final campsite assignments will be made the week prior to your arrival. Sometimes there is a need to share campsites, depending on the size of a Troop. Troops will be informed when notified of their campsite if they are sharing and to please keep that in mind if you arrive before the other troop.

Changes in a unit's actual attendance may cause the unit to be moved to another available site and/or share the site with another unit.

<u>PROVISIONAL SCOUTS</u>: Scouts may attend Camp Lassen on an individual basis, as Provisional Scouts. We have a provisional troop in Week 3. If you have a scout interested in coming as a provisional scout, please contact the camping department for more details at 916-333-5434 or by email at camping@gec-bsa.org. <u>REGISTRATION AND INSURANCE</u>: Every Scout and Leader who attends Scouts BSA summer camp must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America, including YPT Training and background check, as well as the California State AB506 Youth Protection training and LiveScan fingerprinting. Verification of compliance is required, see form below.

Insurance in accordance with national policy is required. Units from the Golden Empire Council attending Camp Lassen are covered by Council insurance. Out of Council Troops must provide proof that they have troop and/or council accident/sickness insurance coverage. Contact your council for a proof of insurance certificate. Send copy to <u>camping@gec-bsa.org</u> at least 2 weeks prior to camp.

<u>ADULT LEADER VERIFICATION</u>: Please use the "Council Verification of AB506 Compliance" Form below to list your leaders attending camp. Submit the form to your council for verification. Send a copy to <u>camping@gec-bsa.org</u> at least 2 weeks prior to camp and bring the completed and verified form to camp to turn in during check-in.

<u>VISITORS TO CAMP</u>: Parents of Campers may attend the Friday night campfire program. Anyone staying overnight must meet all BSA requirements for attending camp with their Troop. Others wishing to visit Camp Lassen must get prior approval from the Camp Director, and can visit only Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning (that is, only when youth campers are not in camp). Visitors are required to sign in and out in the Lodge office and meet with the Camp Director for an orientation. There is a fee for any meals or overnight stays.

<u>CAMPERSHIPS</u>: A Scout is Thrifty and as such is encouraged to do all they can to help pay their way to camp. At times, however, it is difficult for a Scout and their family to raise the full fee for summer camp. Limited financial help is available from the Golden Empire Council on an individual basis for Scouts who could not otherwise go to camp due to financial hardships. Scoutmasters in the Golden Empire Council who know of any youth with a legitimate need for financial help are encouraged to help that Scout apply for a Campership. The Campership Application is available online at <u>www.gec-bsa.org/camping</u>, or by contacting the camping department. The form must be completed and submitted no later than March 31st for consideration. Camperships are available for youth members of the Golden Empire Council only.

PRE-CAMP ORIENTATION MEETING:

Sunday, April 14, at 3:00 PM

A pre-camp meeting will be held to provide unit leaders with the most current information about camp, including advancement and program schedules. The Scoutmaster (or designated camp leader), other adult leaders and your Senior Patrol Leader are invited to attend. YOUR UNIT MUST BE REPRESENTED. The meeting will be virtual, and the link will be sent out in early April.

AGENDA:

- Final information about the resident camp program, daily schedule, merit badge schedule, other activities
- Special Dietary Needs (how to make sure we know ahead of time)
- Review policy and concerns regarding transportation, medical forms, permission slips, or fees.
- Bead Program, Scoutmaster Merit Badge, Standard and Honor Troop
- Leadership Requirement needs, visitors to camp.
- Questions and answers.
- No unit will be allowed to stay at camp if fees are not paid in full.

TENTS:

UNITS MUST BRING THEIR OWN TENTS. Each tent must be labeled with a "No Flame in Tent" signage. Camp Lassen will provide one green canvas tent (sleeps two) per campsite. In campsites that are shared there is only one leader tent. There are tent platforms in most of the campsites plus ground space. Bring ground cloths to be prepared.

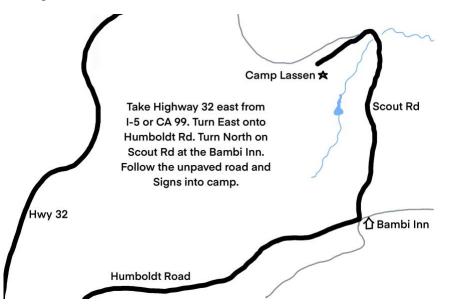
STOVES AND LANTERNS: LIQUID FUEL LANTERNS AND STOVES ARE PROHIBITED IN CAMP LASSEN

Propane and battery lanterns and stoves are permitted. BSA policy requires stoves and lanterns should be under close adult supervision at all times.

CAMP INFORMATION

This is your high Sierra camp located at an elevation of 4,200 ft. It is a temporary home to Scouts and Scouters. Your cooperation is needed to keep it neat. A Scout is Clean.

<u>DIRECTIONS TO CAMP</u>: Google maps and other map apps are not always accurate! Please make sure anyone driving has written directions. Map apps are usually accurate to Humboldt Rd, it is after turning onto Humboldt Rd that the directions are incorrect.



CAMP CLEANLINESS:

All campsites have a sink. Bring your own environmentally friendly soap for washing hands and encourage air-drying of all Scouts' hands and utensils in the campsite before, during, and after food handling--99% of camp sickness comes from unclean hands and improper food handling, preparation, and clean up.

There is also a sink set at the trading post on the north side that can be used for washing dishes, bring your own dish soap.

Wildlife is plentiful in Camp Lassen. All trash needs to be emptied every evening to avoid unwanted visitors in the night.

<u>QUIET TIME and REST</u>: Sleep can dictate whether or not your troop will have a great week or a poor week at camp. Each person needs a certain number of hours each night to rest. Therefore, adult leaders should see that from 10:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m., the campsite is quiet, permitting those who wish to sleep the chance to get in eight hours of rest. Unit leaders are required to stay with their Scouts after 10:00 p.m.

<u>DRIVE IN TO CAMP</u>: Campers drive their vehicles into Camp Lassen and will be directed to the parking lot. Your troop guide will show you to your assigned campsite so that you can move in your equipment and personal gear.

WHAT'S PROVIDED AT YOUR CAMPSITE:

- A Bulletin Board
- Picnic Table
- Sink with running water
- One leader's tent per campsite
- Shovel, rake, two buckets for dirt and water, and a garden hose.
- Dutch Ovens (checked out at side window of the Trading Post during posted pick up time)
- Latrine and Shower facilities are located throughout camp

PERSONAL GEAR:

What Scouts Should Bring, along with what is on the Unit checklist below (This is not a complete list, make sure to review with your troop what a scout should pack for camp)

- □ Scout Field Uniform–including shirt, shorts/pants, belt, socks, close toed shoes
- □ Activity Uniform Troop t-shirt and hat
- □ Prescription medications as appropriate in original containers with necessary forms
- □ Clothing– socks, underwear, shoes, etc.(some activities require long pants)
- □ Rain Gear
- □ Sleeping bag
- □ Sleeping Pad
- □ Swim Suit
- □ Toiletries Soap, shampoo, comb, toothbrush, towel, and other personal items
- □ Scout Handbook, pens & pencils, notebooks and merit badge books
- □ Money for Trading Post items such as kits, tools, crafts, and snacks (Credit and debit cards are accepted)
- □ Camera, compass, pack, flashlight, insect repellant, sunblock, water bottle
- □ Sweater or Jacket (we may experience some cool evenings)
- □ Ride home money for lunch if appropriate
- □ Completed paperwork to include as appropriate:
- Annual Health and Medical Forms <u>A,B,and C</u> (Copies recommended)
- □ Activity Consent Form (to be held by driver for each scout in car, not turned in at camp)
- □ Shooting Sports Permission Slip
- □ Prescription Medication Record for scouts with prescription medications
- □ Camper Early Release Form (if needed)
- □ Individual History Report for those in Trail to First Class

EQUIPMENT YOUR UNIT SHOULD BRING:

Along with personal gear there is equipment that a troop should bring to provide all the needed items for a positive camp experience.

- □ Pop-up shade
- □ Tents, poles and ground cloths for entire unit
- □ Unit and US Flag
- □ Patrol Flags
- □ Troop First Aid Kit
- □ Tool Kit (hammer, pliers, screwdrivers, etc.)
- □ Insect repellent
- \Box Rope and twine
- Extra Tarps
- □ Tablecloths
- □ Scout Handbooks and Merit Badge Books
- □ Pens, Pencils, paper, etc.
- \Box Axe Yard items
- □ Lanterns (battery or propane only)
- □ Campfire Skits and Songs
- □ Mess Kit for in-campsite meal

NOTES ON PLANNING FOR CAMP:

2024 CAMP LASSEN DAILY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

1:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Arrival and check-in, Medical recheck, Orientation, Camp Tour, Swim checks
4:00 p.m.	Adult meeting - Lodge
5:45 p.m.	Assembly and Flags (Full Field Uniform)
6:00 p.m.	Meal Orientation and Dinner
7 :00 p.m.	Merit Badge Information Session at the Lodge
8:00 p.m.	Interfaith Worship Service
8:30 p.m.	Opening Campfire
9:45 p.m.	First year camper cracker bar el
10:00 p.m.	Taps all quiet in camp (for all but rst year campers at cracker barrel)
10:30 p.m.	Lights Out
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MONDAY

6:30 a.m.	Polar Bear Swim (Monday, Tuesday, Wedne ay, Thursday) immediately followed by Mile swim practice
7:30 a.m.	Assembly and Flags (Field Uniform)
9:00-12:10 p.m.	Program areas open for scheduled merit bacge work
10:00 a.m.	Leaders' meeting in lodge (Please have at least clead present)
12:15-1:30 p.m.	Lunch & Senior Patrol Leaders Meeting
1:30-3:40 p.m.	Program areas open for merit badge work
5:45 p.m.	Assembly and Flags (Field Uniform)
6:00 p.m.	Dinner
7:00-8:00 p.m.	Totin' Chip in Scoutcraft
8:30 p.m.	Adventure Team: Outpost Hike
10:00 p.m.	Taps all quiet in camp
10:30 p.m.	Lights Out

TUESDAY

Dinner
7:00-8:00 p.m.
7:00-8:00 p.m.
7:00-8:00 p.m.
8:30 p.m.

Same as Monday OA Fellowship CPR Training for First Aid and Lifesaving Merit Badges Game Night Firem'n Chit in Scoutcraft Adventure Team: Overnight Capture the Flag

WEDNESDAY

Same as Monday Adventure Team: Gag Ball tournament Wilderness Sur val n it budge overnighter Dutch Oven Din er in ampsite 4:45 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. CPR Training for Financial Aid and Lifesoving Merit Badges 7:00-8:00 p.m. Troop time and game night is me J dge 8:00-9:30 p.m. Astronomy Stargazing Night 10:00 p.m.

Same as Monday

THURSDAY

4:45 p.m.	Adventure Team: Tomahakathon - Tranal wk Toss Tournament
6:00 p.m.	Scoutmaster Dinner (Handicraft)
8:30 p.m.	90th Birthday Bash

FRIDAY

6:00 a.m.	Mile Swim
7:30 a.m.	Flags (Field Uniform) - Breakfast
9:00-12:00 p.m.	Program areas open for merit badge open time
10:00 a.m.	Leaders' meeting in lodge
1:30 -3:30 p.m.	Camp Wide Games
3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Staff Hunt!
5:00 p.m.	Scoutmaster Chili Cook-off Judging
5:45 p.m.	Assembly and Flags (Field Uniform)
6:00 p.m.	Dinner
7:00 p.m.	Staff / CIT Informational Meeting
8:30 p.m.	Closing Campfire

SATURDAY

7:30 a.m.	Flags (Field Uniform) - Continental Breakfast at Dining Hall
8:30-10:00 a.m.	Move-out/Check-out/Depart camp. See you next year!

DINING OPTIONS

MEALS AND SPECIAL DIETS: Meals are well-balanced and prepared in accordance with a nutritionist planned menu. Parents/guardians of Scouts who have dietary restrictions must provide information on those needs (entered into the Black Pug registration by the registration owner or through the parent portal if your coordinator has opened this option). This information needs to be entered at least two weeks prior to arrival at camp to coordinate special dietary needs. Please also have a list of any special dietary needs on hand for your unit at check in.



<u>SPECIAL FOOD NEEDS</u>: There is limited space available for those who need to bring personal food items. We have limited space in part of a refrigerator in the Lodge and a dry good storage area. There is no available space to cook in the lodge other than a microwave. Food may be prepared/cooked in campsites.

The one section of the refrigerator is shared with all units in camp. Per the health department: No perishable food may be stored in a cooler/ice chest while at camp. Nonperishable foods may be stored in a cooler/ice chest in the Lodge near the refrigerator.

<u>COBBLERS</u>: Each unit may request supplies for 1 night of cobblers (available Monday-Thursday). Orders will be taken at the leader meetings and then picked up at the assigned time.

<u>SCOUTMASTER'S CHILI COOK-OFF</u>: While this event is not camp wide, it is important to note, this competition is an opportunity for adult leaders to impress the camp commissioners with their chili cooking talents. Adult leaders are welcome to bring special food ingredients in preparation for this event. Perishable items will be stored in the Camp Kitchen refrigerator and available for pick-up on Friday after lunch. Please bring them in a compact box labeled with your unit number and leader name. Adult leaders may begin preparing their Dutch oven chili at the BBQ pit starting at 3:00pm, and they must be finished and on the Lodge porch by 5:00pm for tasting by the commissioners and other staff judges. The winner of the competition will be announced at Friday Closing Campfire.

<u>SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST:</u> Saturday morning breakfast will be a continental breakfast available at the Lodge after the morning flag ceremony.

<u>SECONDS & EXTRA FOOD</u>: A salad bar will be available every day at both lunch and dinner, except Wednesday dinner, which is in your campsite. When available, seconds will be offered to all campers.

AROUND THE CAMP

<u>TRADING POST</u>: The camp trading post provides a full selection of handicraft supplies, camping necessities, souvenir items, camp t-shirts, writing paper, pencils, stationery, and comfort items. Natural foods (such as fruits and trail mixes), candy, soda, ice cream, and other snacks will also be sold. The trading post is open daily, with hours posted. About \$50 - \$75 per Scout should meet most needs during the week. Credit Cards and Debit Cards are also accepted.

<u>LOST AND FOUND</u>: Lost and found items of value should be turned in to a staff member in the Lodge Office. Other items can be placed in the box in the Lodge Office. Leaders should encourage Scouts to mark their belongings with name and troop number. Lost and Found items will be kept at camp until the season is over and then brought to the Council Office. All lost and found items not collected by August 31st will be donated to a local charitable organization.

<u>WIFI AND CELL SERVICE</u>: Cell service is non-existent at camp, and service is spotty once leaving Chico. Wifi in camp has been improved and leaders will have limited guest access. Priority is given to camp business needs.

<u>QUARTERMASTER</u>: Latrine supplies and cleaning equipment are available in or near the bathrooms as needed. Extra supplies are located in the North-West corner of the Lodge near the men's restroom. Scout leaders may also pick up tools for special camp projects. The troop is responsible for the return of all items checked out. Return items in clean, working order, prior to departure from camp. Your camp commissioner will be able to provide the needed supplies.

<u>WEATHER</u>: Our average afternoon high temperatures are in the lower to mid- 80s. Overnight lows usually range from the upper 40s to lower 60s. Every summer it rains once or twice, usually overnight.

<u>CAMP MAIL</u>: Please note that packages are not brought into camp and must be picked up at the mailbox outside camp, so daily trips are not always possible. *Please consider giving all postcards, letters and parcels to your unit leaders to take to camp, labeled with the day to 'deliver' to your Scout.*

Camp Mailing Address

Scout /Adult Leader Name, Troop Number & Campsite Camp Lassen, BSA 21359 Scout Road Butte Meadows, CA 95942

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND PREVENTIVE MEASURES

Fire drills are held within the first 24 hours of arriving at camp, in accordance with state law and Boy Scouts of America standards.

<u>FIRE PREVENTION</u>: To prevent fire, follow these simple rules: Never remove your fire tools from your campsite.

LIQUID FUEL STOVES AND LANTERNS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN CAMP

Propane or butane stoves and lanterns only. Only battery lanterns or flashlights are allowed in tents; no flames from any source are permitted in a tent.

DO NOT LEAVE ANY FIRE UNATTENDED. Fires must be dead out and cold to the touch. Campfires in unit sites must be under adult supervision at all times. Scouts must not play with matches or lighters.

Smoking is not permitted in any camp building or activity area. The Camp Director will identify the designated areas where smoking is permitted.

<u>LIGHTNING</u>: In the event of Lightning, all outdoor activities will halt and all participants will move to the nearest grounded shelter (not a tree). When the storm passes, Scouts will be advised by the area director as to their next step.

EXTREME HEAT: Hydration is one of the most important things to during extreme heat and to stay healthy at camp. Staying hydrated will help campers acclimate to the altitude. On days with high temperatures, everyone should add to their fluid intake. Each person should drink as much as four (4) quarts of water a day during extreme temperatures. Even those in excellent physical condition should avoid strenuous exercise during these times.

GENERAL CAMP RULES

At Lassen, the foremost rules for personal and group behavior are the ideals found in Scouting. Scouts and Leaders will follow the Scout Oath, Scout Law, and Outdoor Code. Beyond these ideals, the following rules are enforced at the Camp Lassen:

- No bullying, hazing or intimidating
- Fireworks are prohibited.
- Throwing rocks is forbidden.
- All cars must be parked (backed in) in the camp parking lot, with a Camp Lassen Parking Permit on the dashboard, with all information visible from the outside.
- Alcoholic beverages, marijuana, and illicit substances are prohibited.
- Use of all tobacco products, including chew, pouches, vaping, etc., is limited to adults in designated areas.
- No firearms or ammunition of any kind may be kept in the possession of any Scout or adult.
- No pets or other animals are allowed at camp (registered service animals permitted).
- No aerosol cans in campsites.
- Closed-toed shoes must be worn at all times. Sandals may only be worn at the waterfront and at the showers.
- All campers and visitors must sign-in/sign-out at the camp office.
- Two-deep leadership is required at all times for youth. BSA Youth Protection guidelines must be practiced; leaders and parents must be trained.
- No running on trails, hills, or stairways.
- Bicycles are not permitted (except during merit badge class in the class area).
- No one may ride in the back of a truck or trailer; seat belts must be worn by anyone in a moving vehicle.
- Speed limit in camp is 9 mph. Pedestrians always have the right of way.
- No fires or open flames are allowed in tents, Adirondacks, cabins, or any other camp structure.
- Anyone arriving or leaving camp must sign in and out at the camp office.
- Campfires must be actively monitored by an adult leader over the age of 21.

DAMAGE TO CAMP FACILITIES: All campsites and equipment will be inspected upon checkin and check-out. Any damages will be assessed and documented by the Camp Commissioner and a report given to the camp management. Damages may include lost equipment, defacing tents/ buildings, or ecological damages. Please conduct a thorough check-in inspection with your Troop Guide. Sample charges for damage are as follows:

Tents and Dining Flies

- Rips and Tears per inch \$25.00
- Tent Replacement- 2 person \$850.00
- Environmental Damage \$50.00 minimum (damage to live trees, improper trash disposal, scarring of earth)

<u>AMMUNITION, FIREARMS, AND RELATED ITEMS</u>: Personal weapons and ammunition are not allowed at Camp Lassen. No hunting arrows, ammunition, or rocket engines may be brought on the property.

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

ARRIVAL TIME: Troops should arrive between 1:00PM and 4:00PM.

Do not arrive before 1:00PM. With many units and adult leaders arriving and checking in at the same time, we need your help. We want to make this the easiest, fastest, and most efficient check in process you have ever experienced. We will have staff in the parking area to direct you in parking and escort your unit to their campsite.

A staff member (your Troop Guide for the week) will either meet you in the parking lot or at your campsite. They will explain important camp policies and safety rules. The unit leader will check-in with the camp administrative staff in the Lodge office. Only one leader needs to come to the Lodge Office with the proper paperwork.

SCOUTS AND ADULT LEADERS MUST TRANSPORT THEIR PERSONAL GEAR TO THEIR CAMPSITE

Scouts and Adults should use packs or duffle bags for personal gear.

Troops may wish to bring wagons or carts to transport personal and troop gear from the parking lot to their campsites. Camp has a limited number of carts available for use. Carts are stored at the Trading Post. Please return all carts to the Trading Post after use.

CAMP LASSEN IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGED, LOST, OR STOLEN EQUIPMENT

MEDICAL CHECK STATION: The med-check station is located in front of the Medical Lodge. The Camp Medic and qualified camp staff will review the Medical Forms. For any Scout/Adult with medications make sure to follow the medication policy detailed below in the "Medical Lodge Information".

<u>4:00 PM ADULT LEADERS' MEETING</u>: Please be sure to send at least one representative to he check-in day adult leaders' meeting in the Lodge Office at 4:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon. At this first gathering camp administrators will distribute essential information to make sure your stay is safe and enjoyable. On Monday – Friday the daily adult leader meeting will be at 10 a.m.

<u>ARRIVING LATE TO CAMP</u>: If you plan to arrive after 4:00 p.m. Sunday, please notify the camp via email at camping@gec-bsa.org at least 2 weeks prior to arrival. If you are running late the day of please call the camp phone (530)873-4961. Staff will give an orientation and conduct medical rechecks as soon as you arrive. Swim checks may be done during Monday activities or during open swim, at the discretion of the Camp Director or Waterfront Director. Arriving late Sunday should not interfere with the completion of any program activities.

<u>DEPARTURE INSTRUCTIONS</u>: Saturday morning the units should pack their gear, take down their tents, clean the campsite, and take their unit gear to the troop vehicles. After breakfast, your troop guide will inspect your campsite. Check your mailbox one final time for any merit badge updates, medical forms, etc.

CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND

MEDICAL LODGE INFORMATION

FIRST AID & PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES: First aid treatment for minor medical problems should be handled at the unit level if possible or by the Camp Medic. Major problems will be treated in coordination with local hospitals, as per BSA policy.

WE DO NOT RECOMMEND A MEDICATION VACATION WHILE AT CAMP!

ALL PRESCRIPTION AND OVER THE COUNTER DRUGS MUST BE IN ORIGINAL

CONTAINERS (per National BSA guidelines) and be reviewed with the Camp Medic during medical re-check. An authorized Unit Leader will administer medication with assistance (if needed) from the Camp Medic. It is recommended to put all medications in a Ziploc type bag to bring to the medical re-check.

It is the Unit Leader's responsibility to ensure that their Scouts receive their medications at the appropriate time. The unit leader should have a "prescription medication record" form (see forms at the end of this guide) filled out by the parent/guardian stating the dosage and frequency of the medication. A copy of this record must be turned in with the medication(s) at medical re-check. Scouts/Adults must carry their personal Epi-pens and inhalers.

Medication should be stored in a locked container while at camp. Small tackle boxes with locks are available to check out from the med lodge.

<u>OUTBREAK PROCEDURES</u>: In the event of a communicable disease outbreak, participants with an illness will receive care in a quarantined environment until they are sent home. Others in their campsite will be immediately re-screened for fever/other symptoms.

HOSPITAL OR DOCTOR VISIT: In the event that a Scout requires medical attention from a physician or hospital:

- 1. It is the responsibility of the unit leadership to provide transportation for members of their unit requiring non-emergency attention. Staff is not available to assist with transportation.
- 2. At least two registered adults, no less than one leader from the unit will accompany the Scout requiring medical services and must obtain the Scout's medical form before leaving camp property. A minimum of 2 registered adults is required; you may be accompanied by adults from other units or off-duty staff.
- 3. Parents or guardians will be notified immediately by the Camp Director or unit leader of any serious illness or injury. Parents who will not be at home while Scouts is at camp must advise adult leaders of contact information in the case of emergency.
- 4. The Camp Medic must clear all cases requiring outside medical care.
- 5. The troop is responsible for providing proof of insurance upon arrival at the doctor's office or hospital or to pay cash for services provided.

SWIM CHECKS

The BSA swim test must be completed by all Scouts and Adults attending camp who wish to participate in ANY of our waterfront activities. Swim classifications are to be renewed annually. This year all Scouts and Adults will have to complete their swim check at camp. As soon as your unit guide leads you to your campsite, any Scouts or adults who will be doing a swim check, should change into their swim gear and be ready for the test during the tour.

<u>PRE-CAMP SWIM TESTS</u>: We will not be accepting any pre-camp swim tests in 2024. All Scouts and adults wishing to participate in any water activities will need to do a swim check at camp.

<u>BUDDY TAGS</u>: The staff will make the buddy tags. Tags will be available for Scouts and Adults when they come down to the waterfront for classes and/or free swims. Buddy tags are color coded to represent the level of swimming ability for the Scout/adult.



SWIM CLASSIFICATIONS: Scouts and adults are

classified into non-swimmer, beginner, or swimmer ability levels.

- Non-Swimmer: One who does not meet the "Beginner" swimmer requirements.
- Beginner: One who can jump into water over their head and swim a minimum of 50 feet using any stroke, with at least one sharp turn, but has not met the "Swimmer" requirements.
- Swimmer: One who can jump into water over their head, level off and swim 75 yards in a strong manner using the trudgen, crawl, sidestroke, or breast stroke (with proper breath control) and then swim an 25 additional yards using the elementary backstroke, then float on their back with a minimum of movement.

REQUIRED FORMS FOR CHECK-IN

There are a number of forms, for the group as well as for individuals, required for camp attendance. We recommend you recruit a leader whose only role is to disperse, track, and collect forms required for camp.

Please make sure to do the following:

- Read and complete each form carefully.
- Ensure that authorized signatures are obtained as required.

<u>ADULT LEADER VERIFICATION FORM</u>: The "Council Verification of AB506 Compliance" Form below is a list of your leaders attending camp. Submit the form to your council for verification. Submit the completed form to <u>camping@gec-bsa.org</u> at least 2 weeks before your first day of camp and bring the completed and verified form to camp to turn in during check-in. There is a fillable PDF version available at GEC-BSA.org under camping at the bottom of the page.

<u>UNIT ROSTER AND CHECK-OFF FORM</u>: This form will cover Unit information, Troop Roster, emergency contact details, Youth Protections dates, and check off section for other forms and the wellness check. Please complete this form and have 5 copies to be turned in as listed below.

- Copy #1– Medical Along with the following for each camper
 - o BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (AHMR) Parts A, B & C
 - Copy of insurance card front and back
 - Prescription Medication Record (if necessary)
- Copy #2– Target and Range Sports Along with the following
 - Target and Range Sports Permission Slips (for youth only)
- Copy #3 Aquatics Director
- Copy #4– Camp Director Along with the following
 - Early Release Form for any campers leaving early
- Copy #5 To post on your bulletin board in camp

INDIVIDUAL FORMS: These forms need to be filled out for each Scout and/or Adult attending camp (not all forms are required for adults).

- Activity Consent Form.
 - Available online at https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/19-673.pdf
 - Provides leaders transporting Scouts to camp permission to treat them. This form should travel to camp in the same vehicle as the camper, not be held together by the tour leader. It is the one form that should not be handed in at camp. The unit leader should collect them on arrival and hold them for departure. This form is for your Unit, not to be turned into our camp.
- Medical Forms
 - The BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (AHMR) parts A, B and C are required for anyone attending Scouts BSA Camp.
 - The form is found online either through the National Website at Scouting.org or through the Golden Empire Council website under Camping Forms, Guides and Maps.
 - A copy of insurance card front and back.

- Prescription Medication Record
 - \circ $\,$ This form is for any Scout who needs to take medication at camp.
 - Two copies of this form are necessary to let your troop leader and the medical staff know how to administer the proper dosage of medication.
 - One attached to their Medical form
 - One kept by the unit leader to assist them in administering medications
- Target and Range Sports Permission Slip
 - This form is required for any Scouts participating in shooting sports, archery or tomahawk throwing available at camp.
- Camper Early Release Form (as needed)
 - For any camper leaving early from camp (only needed if leaving prior to the end of the camp session) available on-line or at camp.

The speed of your unit's check in will be greatly improved if all forms are grouped by type of form, and in alphabetical order – NOT by camper. For example, all medical forms are in alphabetical order, then separately all shooting sports permission slips are in alphabetical order.

Please try to list your roster information in alphabetical order as well. This helps to speed up our double check of the forms submitted.

NO COMPLETED MEDICAL FORM C EXAMINATION means NO CAMP! NO EXCEPTIONS!

<u>PRE-CAMP WELLNESS CHECK</u>: Leaders need to check with each participant for any signs, symptoms, or exposure both before departure and upon arrival at the camp. After checking each scout/adult please **mark the roster for each participant** to note that the check has been completed.

This is a tool provided by BSA National to help leaders identify potentially communicable diseases in advance of event participation.

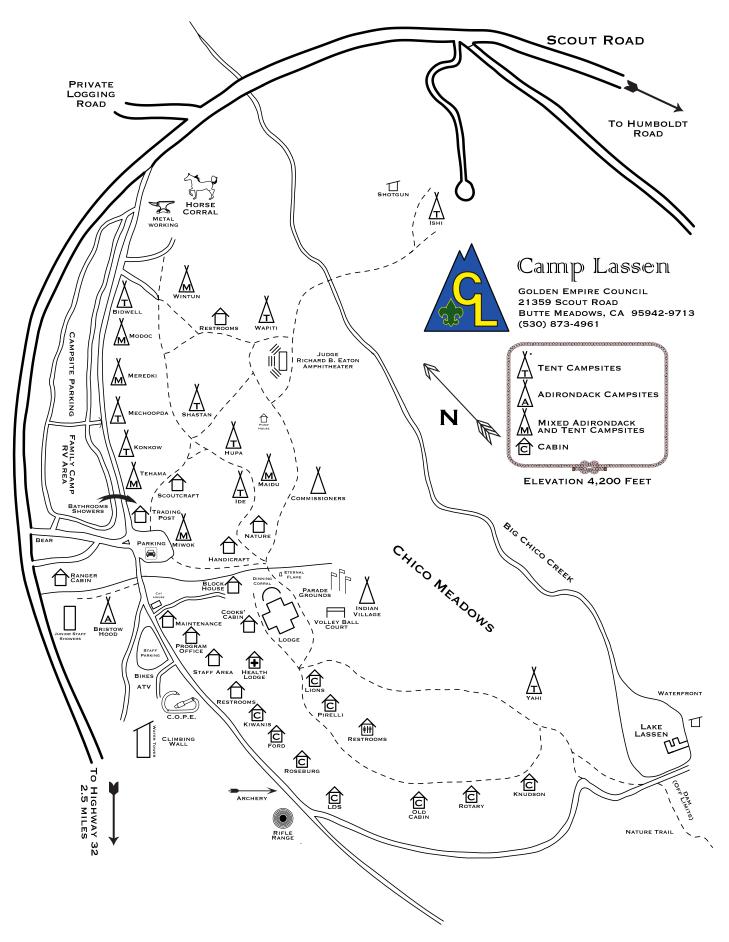
Do not participate if you have any of the following symptoms in the past 24 hours:

\Box Fever (100.4° F or greater)	Vomiting
🖵 Diarrhea	New cough

Do not participate if you or anyone you live with has recently tested positive for COVID-19 or does not have test results back. If you have a positive COVID-19 test, follow the CDC guidance for isolation and your personal health care provider's treatment recommendations. Be responsible for your health and that of others. Isolate if you are sick. Do not attend any activity/meeting/event if you, anyone you live with or anyone you have recently been around feel unwell. Symptoms might include:

□ Unexplained extreme fatig	gue	Unexplained n	nuscle aches
□ New rash	□ Sore throat		Open sore

Participants who are symptomatic or ill should not attend or return to an activity until cleared by their health care provider.



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SCOUTS BSA CAMP ROSTER

Bring 5 copies of this form (1 for each: Me Unit #	Week #	Campsite					
# of Adults	# of Youth	Troop's Council					
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PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION RECORD

Unit# _____

Campsite: _____

Scout's Name:

Parent's Name: ______ Parent Phone: ______

Medication Information—must be in original container			Medication Administration Record							
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