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CUB SCOUT ADVENTURE CAMP

Leader & Parent Guide

This guide is intended for use by the Unit Camp Coordinator to give information on camp policy and procedures. For the most up to date information. See www.TVSRBSA.org.



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Camp & Program Overview

Treasure Valley Scout Reservation (TVSR) is a camp full of history and pride. Our beautiful 1,600-acre woodland camping facility spreads across the towns of Paxton, Rutland, Spencer, and Oakham, and surrounds the 89-acre Browning Pond. The camp features 70 miles of hiking and biking trails, a variety of eco-systems and wildlife habitats, nationally accredited summer camp programs for Scouts of all ages, and a night-time view of the sky that will inspire the imagination.

Many thanks go out to the dedicated volunteers who take their time to assist with the numerous events for our Scouts. Without their help, Council support, committed staff, leaders, parents and incredible campers, our programs would not be a success.

Cub Scout Adventure Camp is our summer camp dedicated solely to Cub Scouts. Adventure Camp is set on the West side of Browning Pond and is home to multiple programs for Cub Scouts. As we continue our journey into the second century of Scouting, we are constantly thinking of ways to build upon the success of yesterday while preparing for the future.

"Loyalty is a feature in a boy's character that inspires boundless hope." – Sir Robert Baden-Powell

DAY CAMP

At Day Camp, Scouts are split into tribes of boys of similar age and rank who are led by a dedicated Staff Guide who serves as a role model and mentor throughout their camp experience as well as provides care for each boy's individual needs and abilities.

Campers from the same Packs are kept together by rank. Contact should be made with camp administration one week prior to camper arrival if campers should be kept together regardless of rank. Please note that this may alter a camper's experience as there are certain activities not suited for certain ages.

The camp program is based on a block schedule that rotates each Tribe to program areas including swimming, boating, archery, BB, handicraft, Scoutcraft, sports, STEM, nature, and the trading post. Each Tribe will visit each area multiple times throughout the week, but not necessarily every day. Camp begins at 8:30AM and concludes with closing flags at 3:00PM. Camper drop-off begins at 8:00AM.

Beginning in 2018, Day Camp is for any Cub Scout entering grades one through five in fall 2018, or any girl or boy related to a Mohegan Council Cub Scout! All campers must be at least 5 years old by the start of their camp week to participate. Boys and girls will be placed into separate Tribes, unless necessary.

FAMILY CAMP

A whole new camping experience is coming in 2018! During this special resident camp experience for the whole family, parents, Cub Scouts, and siblings will get to have an exciting family experience at camp. Families will get to choose from many open program offerings, enjoy hot cooked meals in a dining hall setting, have fun at special activities, and camp in their own tents - or one of ours.

Family Camp is for Cub Scouts and their families! Cubs must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Siblings welcome.

More information about Family Camp will be made announced on www.TVSRBSA.org as it is made available.

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WEBELOS UNDER THE STARS

Webelos Under the Stars is an overnight program at Adventure Camp for boys going into their Webelos and Arrow of Light years of Cub Scouts, (4th and 5th grade). Full week and half week experiences are available throughout the summer. Campers arrive Sunday and depart Wednesday (half weeks) or Friday (full week), following a closing campfire. All meals for the week are provided.

Campers are placed into Patrols of boys from other Packs. Scouts from the same Pack are kept together, and placed together in tenting assignments. Contact should be made with camp administration one week prior to camper arrival if special arrangements are requested.

Campers sleep in canvas cabin-tents like the Boy Scouts, with supplied canvas cots. No camper will sleep by himself. Campers are typically put two-per tent, but three is common – past campers prefer it! Lanterns, bedding, linen, and poles for bug-nets are *not provided*.

This year, overnight campers will experience a new, more flexible camp experience based on the Patrol Method, to best prepare them for Boy Scouts. Campers, among their patrol members and with the help of the overnight Guide, will create their own experience - choosing which activities they want to take part in and when. Regular Day Camp activities will be offered, as well as special activities for overnight Scouts only. Exciting evening programs will also be offered directly following dinner each night.

See details in later sections for information on how your camper can turn his half-week overnight stay into an extended-experience.



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Welcome to Adventure Camp

THE CAMP COORDINATOR

For the 2018 camp season, every Pack is asked to designate a Camp Coordinator who is the point of contact for their unit's families for camp information and coordination of registration. The Unit Camp Coordinator works with their Area Camp Coordinator if they have questions or need assistance. This localized method of service expedites resolutions, and ensures that all families have the information that they need. Check the camp website at www.TVSRBSA.org/Contact if you are unsure who your Area Coordinator is.

REGISTRATION

All participants must use Tentaroo, the council's online registration system to register for camp. Please coordinate with your unit to determine if your unit will register together using a Unit Account or on an individual basis using Family Accounts.

For detailed instructions on how to use Tentaroo, please see www.TVSRBSA.org/Registration.

Payment for all registrations can be done online using a credit/debit card, or eCheck, or can be started online and completed at the Mohegan Council Service Center using cash, physical check, or a Pack account. See the camp website for detailed instructions.

Registration will open on December 1, 2017.

ADVANCEMENT

As the founder of Scouting, Lord Robert Baden-Powell said, "A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching at the meeting room." Our Cub Scout summer programs are intentionally designed to do just that. Scouts will learn and practice skills and complete adventure requirements by doing many exciting activities offered. The program has been intentionally designed so that the Scout gets the most out of his week at camp without losing any of the fun. A full listing of requirements completed will be provided at www.TVSRBSA.org/downloads once program plans have been finalized.

STAFF GUIDE

Every tribe and patrol will have a dedicated Staff Guide who will serve as a mentor and role model throughout the week. The guide will lead the tribe to the various program areas throughout the week and will serve as your camper's go-to person for help and assistance.

LEADER/PARENT INVOLVEMENT

It takes a village! CSAC is pleased to be able to staff its programs with quality Scouts and counselors from our area. Units are not required to send leadership to camp, and parents are free to come and go as needed. But, we could use the help! Day Camp parents love spending the day with their campers, and our overnight staff could always use a hand. ***Any overnight adult campers are now required to be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America.***

Adults should check in at the camp office each morning, and should wear an identifying camp name tag or lanyard always. Please note that limited camping space is available for those staying overnight with their Webelos Under the Stars participant and may be contacted about supplying a personal tent. If no message is received during the week prior to arrival, assume a camp tent is assigned.

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ALLERGIES & MEDICATIONS

Please ensure to list all serious allergies and any medications being taken on the medical form. All medications must be in their original containers, with prescription if applicable. The camp medical officer will hold and administer all medications. Epinephrine Auto-Injectors and rescue inhalers will be held by the camper. If the camper is not able to administer their Epinephrine Auto-Injector themselves, it may be held by his Staff Guide who has been trained to use them, and is CPR and First Aid trained.

If a parent is at camp with their camper, they may sign a waiver to hold and administer medication themselves.

PREPARING YOUR CAMPER FOR A GOOD EXPERIENCE

It is imperative that campers arrive at camp with the essentials that they need for the day. While the camp provides all the tools that they need to succeed, it is crucial that all campers be sent to camp with appropriate clothing and equipment to suit their camping adventure. Please refer to the packing lists in this guide for more information.

Day Camp, Check Daily – Lunch, Snack, Refillable Water Bottle, Rain Jacket/Poncho, Swim Gear, Check the Weather – *Our rainy-day program is our regular-day program with a poncho.*

Overnight Campers – It gets cold in July! Do you have long pants, a sweatshirt, more than enough changes of underwear and socks? A refillable water bottle, a flashlight?

DEN CHIEF RESIDENT TRAINING

A program for Boy Scouts, Den Chief Resident Training allows Scouts to sleep over at camp for one week and work alongside our staff, learning how to work with large groups of Cub Scouts in all sorts of situations. Upon successful completion of the program, Scouts will be awarded their Den Chief cords. See the camp website for more details.

HOMESICKNESS

Homesickness can be a very real issue at camp, especially for first time campers. Your camper will be instructed to go to his staff guide with any issues who will work with other staff members to console him.

It is important that your child knows what to expect at camp. Talks with other campers who have been to camp or seeing pictures from our Camp Gallery at mohegan.smugmug.com is a great way to prepare your Scout for camp.

Homesickness appears not just in first-time overnight campers, but in the oldest day campers too. Our staff are trained to spot signs of homesickness and will work with them to the best of their ability to get them refocused on the adventure at hand. The worst thing that can be done is giving a camper the option of an early departure – admitting defeat will make it that much harder for him to return in the future.

While the camp will do everything it can to see that a Scout completes his experience, if a camper is inconsolable or poses an extreme burden on camp resources, his family will be contacted.

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Day Camp Specifics

OPTIONAL - EXTENDED DAY

An Extended-Day program for Day Campers will be offered at camp this year. Campers signed up for extended-day will participate in multiple fun activities with a dedicated staff member until they are picked up. This allows parents to forego the regular pick-up process, and pick up their camper any time between 3:30PM and 5:00PM. Check-out will be in the camp office in the West Lodge for Extended-Day participants. It is recommended to send campers with a snack for the afternoon.

Extended-Day does not run on Friday. All campers are dismissed following the Closing Campfire.

OPTIONAL - DAY CAMP MEAL PROGRAM

Day Campers and adults have the option to bring their own packed lunch each day, or participate in our lunch program. You or your camper will be provided with a bagged lunch each of the five days of camp including a choice of sandwich, two snacks, fruit, and drink.

DAY CAMPER SCHEDULE

The following schedule or one like it will be followed for Day Campers.

8:00-8:25	Check-in
8:25-8:30	Morning Flag
8:30-9:15	Program
9:15-10:00	Program
10:00-10:45	Program
10:45-11:30	Program
11:30-12:30	Lunch
12:30-1:15	Program
1:15-2:00	Program
2:00-2:45	Program
2:50-3:00	Closing Flag
3:00	Pick-Up
3:00-5:00	Extended Day <i>(Optional Feature)</i>

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IMPORTANT TIMES AND INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF DAY CAMPERS

Drop Off

Upon entering TVSR, follow signs for Adventure Camp. Staff will be awaiting your arrival and direct you to the drop off location in the Adventure Camp parking lot. Drop off begins at 8:00AM. Please be careful when entering the property, as the roads are very narrow and mostly unpaved. **The speed limit in camp is 10MPH to ensure everyone's safety.**

Monday Check-In

Check-In does not begin until 8:00AM. The process for Monday check-in will be the same as drop off any other day, but will take longer. Your patience is asked during this process; camp will not begin until all are checked in, and delays are expected and planned for. Once entering the West Camp parking lot, you will be directed to one of two drop-off lines. You will be asked for the names of all those campers in your vehicle as well as for their medical forms and authorization forms. If you plan to stay, you will then be directed where to park. All drivers must follow this same drop off process, **parking to avoid the drop off line is not permitted to ensure the safety of our campers and staff.**

Pickup

Pickup will be at the parade area in front of the West Lodge Monday through Thursday. Whomever is picking up the camper should park and walk down to locate them, and check-out with their individual Guide. Please have the child's pickup password ready to tell the Tribe Guide. Passwords are set on Tentaroo at the time of registration. Please pick-up no later than 3:15, unless you have signed up for extended day.

Password System

Upon registration, you will be asked to provide a "password" for your camper. This password is used to expedite the pick-up process. Once a password is established, it is the parent or guardian's responsibility to inform anyone who is authorized to pick up the camper of this password. Any person that does not have the pick-up password will need to see a camp administrator with a photo ID to check against the Authorized Parental Release form on file.

Note – if your camper is returning, their Pickup Password may be the same as last year. You can see this by logging into Tentaroo, or by asking the person who registered them. For camper security, no child will be released to any person who does not know the correct Pickup Password, or is not listed on the camper's Authorized Parental Release form with valid photo ID.

Forms

Campers are required to present a completed BSA Medical Form, Parts A & B upon arrival to camp. Part C is not required for Day Campers. In addition, all campers must complete the Parental Authorization Form on the camp website at www.TVSRBSA.org/CSAC.

Friday

Friday is a special day at camp! In lieu of the regular pickup process, we invite parents, family and friends to arrive at camp around 2:45PM for the Closing Campfire beginning at 3:00PM. Please park in the Adventure Camp parking lot as directed and follow the path down the hill through the woods to the activity field where the camp will be participating in a camp-wide game. Staff will be on hand to direct you. All handicap visitors should follow the signs to the handicap parking area.

Check out will be at the Columbus Building. All are required to check-out with the medical officer and claim your med-form. Patches and other paperwork will be handed out now as well. The trading post will also be open, conveniently located in the Columbus Building as well this year! Scouts are invited to take their parents for a tour around camp after completing the check-out process.

There is no extended-day on Fridays.

Packing List for Day Campers

- Completed BSA Medical Form Parts A & B
- Comfortable closed toed shoes only (*no crocs, sandals, etc.*)
- Backpack (*day-pack, school backpack will suffice*)
- Swimsuit
- Towel
- Packed lunch with drink (*if not participating in lunch program*)
- Refillable water bottle
- Trail Snack
- Sunblock
- Insect repellent
- Hat/sunglasses
- Rain jacket or poncho
- Sweatshirt or light jacket
- Change of shirt
- Spending money for trading post (*optional*)

What Not To Bring

- Pets
- Excessive electronic devices
- Weapons of any kinds (including toys)
- Knives (unless Scout has Whittlin' Chit.)
- Items of significant value.

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Webelos Under the Stars Specifics

OPTIONAL - WEBELOS EXTENDED EXPERIENCE

New this year, inspired by many requests in previous years, Scouts participating in half-week Webelos Under the Stars programs will have the option to finish their week as a Day Camper. Scouts will follow the Day Camp rotations and do rank-specific activities with other Webelos from the overnight group, or join an existing Webelos Day Camp Tribe. Participants will pack a lunch on Thursday and Friday that they attend Day Camp.

OVERNIGHT CAMPER SCHEDULE

The Webelos schedule will be made entirely by the participants within that patrol. With the help of the overnight guide, Scouts will sign up for different activities and areas to go to! Scouts will also have the options to do additional activities throughout the day for overnight campers only; as well as participating in exciting evening activities every night after dinner.

Most days will begin with Breakfast at 8:00AM, and Morning Flag at 8:30. Evening Flags are at 5:45PM, with dinner following. Lights out is 9:30PM.

IMPORTANT TIMES AND INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF OVERNIGHT CAMPERS

Check-In

Check-In is at 2:00PM on **Sunday**. Proceed to the check-in table so that the medical officer and camp staff can make sure you have all the necessary paperwork, then continue to the Fort Courage campsite with your gear for campsite set-up. Please pack appropriately to walk gear down to the Fort Courage campsite. Staff will be available to help transport gear down to the campsite. Light packing, or gear with sturdy wheels is preferable.

Parents are asked to stay to help set up their camper's tent. Other staff, as well as the Webelos Under the Stars Program Director will be available at the campsite to answer any questions. The Trading Post will also be open now in case you are missing any necessary gear. After site set-up will be swim checks. Please have your camper in a bathing suit for check-in to expedite this process. Campers will proceed to the West Lodge for dinner once swim checks are complete.

Forms

Campers are required to present a completed BSA Medical Form upon arrival to camp. Parts A & B are required for ½ Week campers. **Part C is also required for Full Week campers.** In addition, all campers must complete the Parental Authorization Form on the camp website at www.TVSRBSA.org/Registration.

Closing Campfire

Camp ends on Wednesday for ½ week programs and Friday for full week programs.

Parents, family, and friends are invited to camp at **5:00PM** on the camper's last day for closing campfire! Campers have worked all week on a skit to perform for you, it is asked that Scouts stay for the campfire. Please park in the Adventure Camp parking lot as directed and follow the path down the hill through the woods to the activity field where the camp will be participating in a camp-wide game. Staff will be on hand to direct you. All handicap visitors should follow the road up to the Adventure Camp parking lot, find their Scout's luggage, and then proceed back down the hill and follow the handicap parking signs.

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Packing List for Overnight Campers

- Completed BSA Medical Form Parts A & B (+Part C for full week campers)
- Sturdy hiking shoes or boots
- Comfortable sneakers
- Shower shoes
- Field Uniform (Class A) Shirt
- Sweatshirt or light jacket
- Rain poncho or rain jacket
- T-Shirts and Shorts (*at least one extra set*)
- Underwear/Socks (*at least one extra set*)
- Long pants (1) (*it gets cold at night!*)
- Extra clothing; extra socks
- Small backpack/day pack
- Swimsuit (2)
- Towels (1 Beach, 1 Shower)
- Sleeping pad (*optional*)
- Sleeping bag or sheets/blankets
- Pillow
- Refillable water bottle
- Sunblock
- Insect repellent (*non-aerosol*)
- Hat/sunglasses
- Spending money for Trading Post (*optional*)
- Mosquito net (*optional but strongly recommended*)
- Poles or rope to secure bug net
- Flashlight (*with extra batteries*)
- Webelos/AoL Scout Handbook
- Toiletry Items (Toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, washcloth)
- Recreation items such as playing cards, books, football, etc. (*optional*)

What Not To Bring

- Pets
- Electronic devices
- Weapons of any kind (*including toys*)
- Knives (*unless Scout has Whittlin' Chit*)
- Items of significant value

We recommend packing compactly, as gear must be walked from the Adventure Camp parking lot to the Fort Courage campsite. Utility vehicles will be on hand to help transport gear.

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Adventure Camp Fees and Dates

SUMMER CAMPING PROGRAMS

Camp fees and dates for the 2018 season are as follows. All participants must register online on Tentaroo. See www.TVSRBSA.org/Registration for more information.

CAMP WEEK	DATES	PROGRAM	COST
Week 1	July 4 – July 7, 2018	Family Camp – Supplied Tent	\$225 – Adult + Scout Pair \$100 – Extra Adult or Scout
		Family Camp – Bring Your Own Tent	\$175 – Adult + Scout Pair \$75 – Extra Adult or Scout
Week 2	July 8 – July 13, 2018	Webelos Under the Stars (Full Week)	\$350
	July 9 – July 13, 2018	Day Camp	\$230
Week 3	July 15 – July 18, 2018	Webelos Under the Star (1/2 Week)	\$250
	July 16 – July 20, 2018	Day Camp	\$230
Week 4	July 22 – July 25, 2018	Webelos Under the Star (1/2 Week)	\$250
	July 23 – July 27, 2018	Day Camp	\$230
Week 5	July 29 – August 1, 2018	Webelos Under the Star (1/2 Week)	\$250
	July 30 – August 3, 2018	Day Camp	\$230

OPTIONAL VALUE-ADD PROGRAMS

See descriptions in sections above. Register for these programs on Tentaroo any time during or after registering for regular program under "Options".

PROGRAM	APPLICABLE CAMPERS	COST
Day Camp Meal Program	Day Camp	\$25
Extended Day	Day Camp	\$75
Webelos Extended Experience	Webelos Under the Stars	\$50

"What about the early-bird deadline?" There is none! The Mohegan Council is pleased to offer camp in 2018 for the same early-bird rates as last year, with no deadline.

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DISCOUNTS & FINANCIAL AID

Sibling Discount

Take \$50 off per additional sibling registered for any week of camp. Applies across Cub Scout Adventure Camp programs only. Does not apply to Family Camp. Contact the Mohegan Council Service Center when registering to apply this discount.

Camperships

It is the policy of Mohegan Council to make sure that all Scouts have the chance to benefit from the programs offered at Treasure Valley. Should a Scout's family be in a financial situation where assistance is needed, they may apply online at www.TVSRBSA.org/Camperships. The deadline for campership is March 15, 2018 at 11:59PM. **No exceptions.**

CAMP REFUND POLICY

All requests must be made using the refund request form at least two weeks prior to the start of the camp. Requests must be sent to the Mohegan Council Service Center at 19 Harvard Street Worcester, MA 01609. You can find the form at www.TVSRBSA.org/Downloads, or at the Council Service Center.

Any last-minute refunds will only be given for extenuating circumstances (i.e., death in the family, major illness). Refunds will not be given for a change of mind, vacation plans, summer school, or no shows.

Refunds will not be given once the session of camp has begun, and will be processed after the end of the season.

Fees may be transferred from one Scout to another within the same unit.

Because many expenses occur 6 weeks prior to the start of camp, the Mohegan Council reserves the right to withhold an administrative fee of \$50.00 per registration for any refund given.

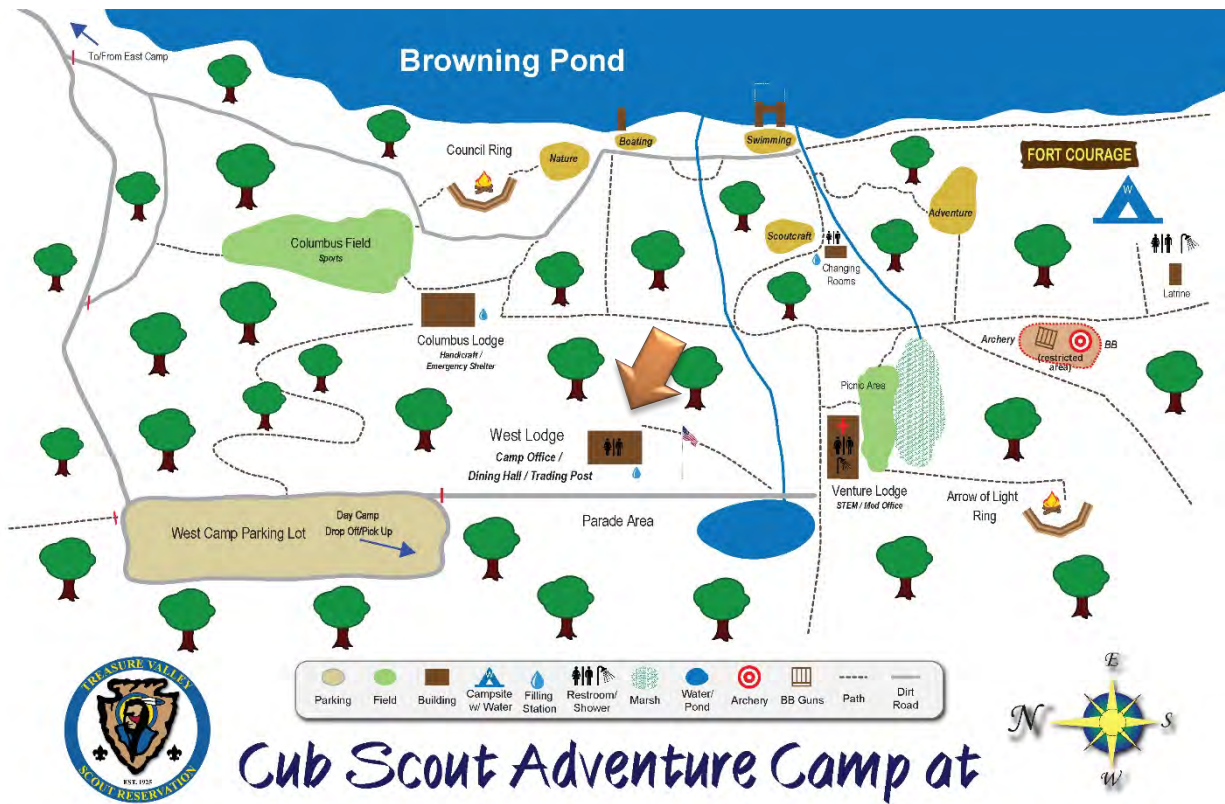


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Camp Policy & Information

CAMP HEADQUARTERS & MAP

The camp office and visitor check-in location is in the West Lodge. Upon entering Treasure Valley Scout Reservation, if the front-most gate is open (typically during check-in and check-out times), you do not need to stop at the King Office at the entrance to camp. If, however, the gate is closed for any reason, you must stop at the King Office and check in there first with the Camp Clerk.



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TREASURE VALLEY SCOUT RESERVATION



For info and reservations call Mohegan Council, BSA at 508-752-3769
To contact TVSR Camp Personnel call 508-886-2213
www.MoheganCouncilBSA.org/TVSR

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Print this map at www.TVSRBSA.org/Downloads.

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FACILITIES

West Lodge

The West Lodge is home to our camp office where all adult guests and visitors will sign in and out. The West Lodge is also home to our camp's dining and kitchen facility. West Lodge has two bathrooms with running water and flushing toilets.

Venture Lodge

The Venture Lodge is located just down the hill from the West Lodge and features our STEM program area, multiple bathrooms with running water and flush toilets, showers, staff housing, and medical office.

Columbus Lodge

The Columbus Lodge is in the heart of Cub Scout Adventure Camp and is home to our Handicraft program area, as well as our Trading Post. The building boasts an expansive open-air dining room where day campers enjoy lunch. The building also serves as the camp's emergency shelter.

Fort Courage (Overnight Campers)

The Fort Courage campsite is located right on the water following the road from the Venture Lodge. The campsite has running water and a bathroom facility with in-site showers. Campers will stay in canvas tents on wooden platforms with provided cots just like the Boy Scouts.

TRADING POST

The camp Trading Post will be in the Columbus Lodge this year, which is down the trail marked with a blue arrow off the Adventure Camp parking lot. The Trading Post offers candy, snacks, ice cream, slushies, water bottles, clothing, and more. It is recommended to give your Scout an allowance each day that he may keep for the next day if he does not spend it. This helps teach responsibility and how to save money. Please send Scouts with small bills, cash only. Adult visitors may pay with cash, check, or card. The Trading Post will be open for Scouts at lunch and periodically throughout the day. It will also be open after the closing campfire for final purchases.

DINING

Webelos Under the Stars campers have all meals included and eat in the West Lodge dining hall. All meals are prepared on-site by our in-house culinary staff. Please be sure to list all allergies and restrictions on your camper's medical form so our staff can prepare a suitable meal for your camper.

Scouts participating in the Webelos Extended Experience will need to pack a lunch on the Thursday and Friday that they go to day camp.

LOST AND FOUND

A Lost and Found will be maintained at the West Lodge during the summer season; afterward items will be moved to the Magee Program Center temporarily until being disposed of. Please make sure that all your camper's personal belongings are labeled. Mohegan Council is not responsible for items lost or stolen.

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MAIL

Campers attending the Webelos Under the Stars can receive mail! Letters and items should be mailed one week prior to the recipient's arrival at camp or be given at med-check during check-in. Mail will be delivered at meals or at the discretion of the Program Director.

We ask that you refrain from including family pictures or statements like "we miss you" as to avoid home-sickness. Empowering statements about how proud you are of them and can't wait to hear about their adventures are perfect.

The camp is not responsible for lost or misplaced mail. Our staff do their best to get mail to the correct individuals in a timely manner, but their first priority is always the camp program and safety of campers.

Mail should be addressed as follows:

Treasure Valley Scout Reservation
#ScoutsName, CSAC, #Week #
394 Pleasantdale Road
Rutland, MA 01543

COMMUNICATION

Complete and current contact information can be found at www.TVSRBSA.org/Contact. Please understand that Treasure Valley is a remote woodland camp with limited access to landline communications. While communication with families will be made whenever and as soon as possible during weather events, emergencies, etc., the priority of the staff is always the safety and security of campers on-site.

e-Mail

All registered campers are e-Mailed periodically before, during, and after their week of camp with updates, reminders, etc. These are sent to the address entered on Tentaroo. If you are not receiving these e-Mail communications, please contact the Camp Director.

Telephone

Summer camp is the best way our Scouts can connect with nature and their fellow Scouts and disconnect from the electronic world we live in every day. Parents are asked to not send campers to camp with cell phones and excessive electronics.

In the case of an emergency, or if you need to speak with camp administration, please call the CSAC phone at the number found at www.TVSRBSA.org/CSAC (June-August only) or the TVSR King Office at 508-886-2213. Our staff will contact camp administration via two-way radio.

Website

Documentation, forms (including this Leader and Parent Guide), current contact information and more is available at www.TVSRBSA.org. This website will have the most up-to-date information on camp, scheduling, and more.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

Possession or use on camp property of alcohol, or any drug or medicine prohibited by law is strictly prohibited. Camp management will not hesitate to involve local law enforcement as necessary and will remove the party from camp grounds.

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TOBACCO PRODCUTS

There is no smoking in the presence of Scouts. Smoking is limited to the Adventure Camp parking lot given no Scouts are within the area.

FIREARMS AND ARCHERY EQUIPMENT

Personal firearms and archery equipment are not allowed in camp. Law enforcement not on duty must lock their firearm in their vehicle.

FIREWORKS

Fireworks are illegal in Massachusetts and are not allowed in camp.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

"The Mohegan Council of the Boy Scouts of America operates in compliance with all relevant laws, codes, ordinances, statues and regulations. The Council does not unlawfully discriminate with respect to employment, volunteer participation or the provision of services, on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, ancestry, or disability status, veteran status, marital status, or political affiliation. The Council policy forbids sexual harassment. The council has the right to exclude membership to those whose behavior is inappropriate for the defined mission and values of the Council."

This resolution approved and duly recorded on the 26th day of July 2012.

HARASSMENT/HAZING

Harassment and hazing of any type from Scouts, leaders, staff and visitors is prohibited at TVSR. This includes, but is not limited to verbal, physical, sexual, initiations, etc. All local, state and federal laws will be enforced. Persons found to have engaged in such will be removed from camp immediately and proper authorities notified.

INSURANCE

The Mohegan Council maintains an insurance policy, which covers all Mohegan Council Scout and adults while in camp. This policy is an excess plan. This means that if your Scout is injured at camp, your personal insurance policy becomes primary for coverage, with the camp insurance picking up any remaining amount. It is the duty of all leaders and Scouts to report accidents to the camp office or medical officer. Out of council units are required to be covered by a similar council policy, be their own unit insurance, or by insurance carried by the individual.

LEAVING CAMP

Campers must have parental permission to leave camp at any time. Parents may designate which individuals their camper may leave camp with on the medical form/parent authorization form. Individuals must sign out at the camp office.

PETS

Pets are only permitted under camp management approval under very specific individual circumstances.

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SHEATH/THROWING KNIVES/STARS

Sheath/throwing knives/stars are not to be carried by campers or leaders. For all other knives, the rule of thumb is that if it is bigger than your palm, it does not belong at camp.

SECURITY

TVSR is committed to providing the safest atmosphere possible. Browning Pond has public access and many people mistake the camp for a state park. If you notice anyone suspicious, contact the camp office immediately. All leaders, Scouts, and visitors arriving at or leaving camp must sign in at the camp office (West Lodge) and a visitor's pass must be visible always. (Attendance of Scouts will be taken by their staff guide.)

YOUTH PROTECTION

The Mohegan Council and TVSR are committed to full enforcement of BSA Youth Protection Standards as well as applicable laws. The camp management will not hesitate to involve social services and law enforcement agencies as necessary.

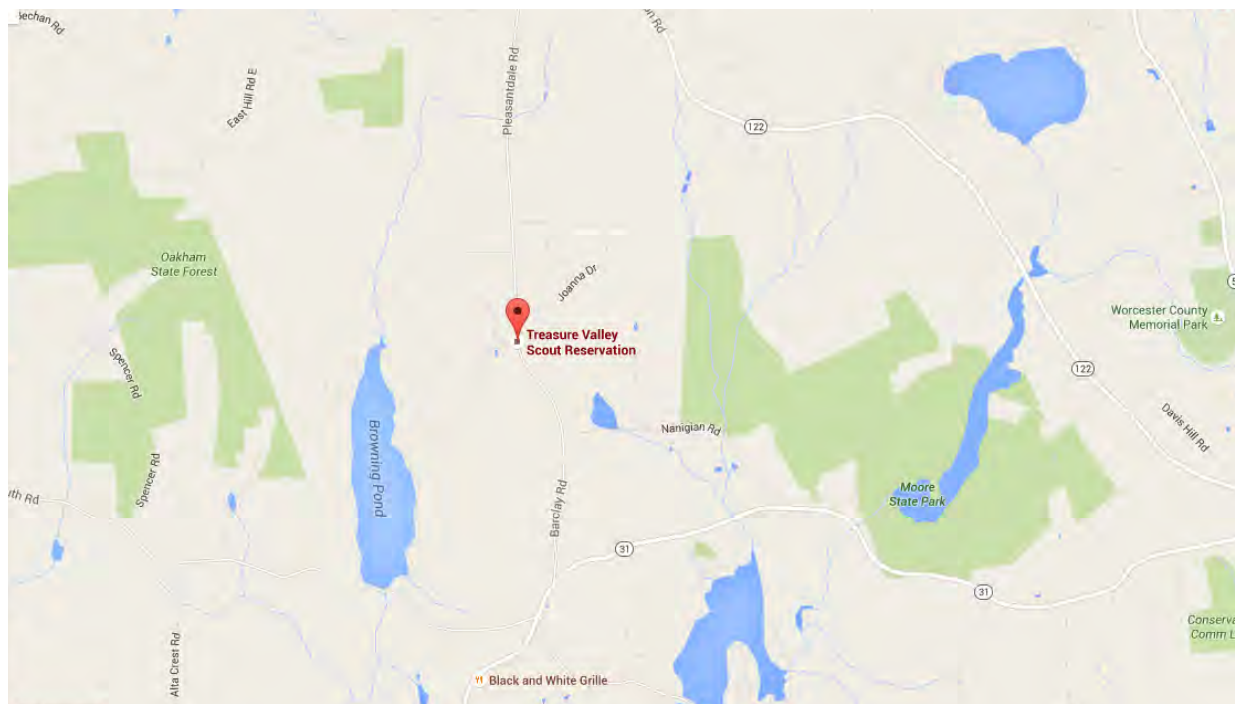
For more information about the BSA Youth Protection Policies visit www.MyScouting.org.



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DIRECTIONS TO CAMP

Located 12 miles northwest of Worcester, Massachusetts, Treasure Valley is easily reached. If you're unfamiliar with the Worcester area or need further guidance to camp, please contact the Mohegan Council Service Center at 508-752-3769.



From the Mass Pike (Interstate 90)/Interstate 84)

Exit at Sturbridge Route 20 and go east. Approximately 1 ½ miles turn left on Route 49 toward Spencer and follow to Route 9. Turn right on Route 9 (east) and go approximately ½ mile to the traffic light and turn left on Meadow Street (on the corner there is a Big Y, Flexcon, Hess Gas Station and a cemetery). Follow Meadow Street approximately 2 miles to stop sign and turn left onto Route 31. Continue on Route 31 past St. Joseph's Abbey and the Black and White Restaurant. About ½ mile past the Black and White Restaurant turn left onto Barclay Road (TVSR sign is posted). Treasure Valley is 1 mile on your left.

From Interstate 290 (from Marlboro)

Take Exit 18 (Lincoln Street) and follow signs to Lincoln Square (Route 9). Turn right on Route 9 (heading toward the Worcester Airport and Paxton). Follow Directions from Route 9 below.

From Interstate 290 (from Auburn)

Take Exit 17 and turn left onto Route 9. Follow Directions from Route 9 below.

From Route 9/290 in Worcester

Stay straight on Route 9 – picking up Pleasant Street (north)/Route 122 toward the Worcester Airport and Paxton. Turn left onto MA-31 S and then right onto Nanigan Road. Take a right on Rockland St./Pleasantdale Road. Follow Pleasantdale Road approximately 1/2 mile, and Treasure Valley Scout Reservation entrance will be on the left side.

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Health & Safety

GENERAL

All camping programs at TVSR employ full time health professionals that are licensed by and meet all requirements of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

MEDICAL EXAMS

Campers must have parts A and B of the National BSA Annual Medical Form. This form should be completed by a parent or guardian. Full Week Webelos Under the Stars participants must also have Part C, completed by a licensed physician.

No physicals can be given at camp.

MEDICATIONS

In compliance with state regulations, all prescription and over the counter (OTC) medications brought to camp must come in their original containers, and permission must be given on the medical form authorizing the camp medical officer to dispense the medications. The camp health officer must hold ALL medications, including OTC medications excluding inhalers and Epinephrine Auto-Injectors as dictated by the Scout's physician.

HEALTH LODGE & MEDICAL EMERGENCIES AT CAMP

The Health Lodge at Treasure Valley is intended for temporary care of sick or injured campers, leaders, and staff. A resident health officer is always on duty, and a physician is always on call. The Adventure Camp medical station is in the Venture Lodge. There will be a schedule made to instruct all regarding medication and proper protocol. Medical issues during the day will be handled by the camper's Staff Guide who will contact the medical officer. Overnight campers will be shown which tent in their campsite houses their Staff Guides so they may locate them in the event of a medical emergency between the posted Lights Out Time and the morning. The Guide will then contact the medical officer.

INJURIES

All injuries and illnesses of any type at Adventure Camp must be reported to camp management by a camper's Guide, who will contact the medical officer for examination and treatment.

MEDICAL TREATMENT

Campers in need of treatment beyond that provided by TVSR's medical staff will be seen at a facility to be determined by the health officer and/or the Scout's parents. In most cases, an adult assistant will be responsible for providing transportation. Leaders cannot take campers out of camp to seek medical attention without the knowledge of the camp medical officer.

FIRE PROTECTION

A fire protection plan is in every camp site. It is camp policy that fires should not be fought, rather reported to the camp office immediately. Firefighting equipment is provided in each site for emergencies.

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INSECT SPRAYS

Aerosol sprays are not allowed in camp because they are a fire hazard and can also damage tents.

REFRIGERATION

Adventure Camp cannot store foods for Scouts other than those required for special diets or medical reasons. If a day camper does not wish to participate in the lunch program, he must come to camp with his own packed lunch which a cooler will be provided for. All meals are provided for overnight campers.

SHOWERS (OVERNIGHT CAMPERS)

The Fort Courage campsite has in-site showers. Because of this, shower times are not built into the program schedule, but Staff Guides will enforce appropriate cleanliness with all campers. All campers may shower as frequently as they desire by coordinating with his Staff Guide. Parents who are staying overnight are asked to shower during the day during program times if they choose to.

SLEEP (OVERNIGHT CAMPERS)

It is important that all campers, leaders, and staff get the appropriate amount of sleep each night. Most scouts need at least 8-9 hours of sleep. Quiet times which meet this need will be posted and followed by the Staff Guide.

CAMP EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Adventure Camp has specific procedures that our staff are trained to follow in the event of an emergency. Communication of emergency events will be performed through two-way radio communication. All staff members will have a radio during program hours and all Staff Guides will have a radio always. Any instructions given over radio-communication or public-address override these procedures.

Trigger words and phrases will be used to inform staff to initiate the following procedures.

Hazardous Weather

In the event of a temporary weather hazards, a Shelter-In-Place will be performed. All areas in camp have a form of shelter. Note that Adventure Camp's 'rainy day program' is its regular program with a poncho.

Severe Weather/Electrical Storms

In the event of severe weather, whether temporary or extended, all program areas will be shut down and all staff and campers will be moved to indoor shelter for an alternative program until further notice by camp management.

Lost Camper

In the event of a lost camper, all program is stopped, and Guide's move their groups to the parade area for attendance. Program staff search a 100' radius around their program area and beyond for the missing camper.

Unidentified Person/Vehicle

Unidentified persons or vehicles shall be reported immediately to the camp management who will approach the stranger. Campers and staff should not approach strangers and should not engage with them. If approached, direct strangers to the camp office.

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Lost Bather

Buddy checks and the buddy system are used always while on or in the water. However, in the event of a lost bather, all program is stopped, and Guide's move their groups to the parade area for attendance. All available staff report to the waterfront immediately to assist the life guards in searching the water.

Active Shooter/Assailant

In the event of a direct threat on campers and staff on camp property, staff will take control of campers and direct them to the farthest reaches of the camp property or beyond until an all-clear is issued to bring them back in. Boaters will move to the far end of the pond. Local authorities will be contacted immediately by camp management and radio communication will be limited. An all-clear can only be given by the direction of law enforcement.

DRILLS

Emergency drills will be conducted every week to ensure that everyone knows how to respond calmly and efficiently.

SWIM CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURES

The swim classification of individuals in a Boy Scout of America activity is a key element in both Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. The swim classification check will be performed the first time a camper visits the waterfront. Our waterfront is staffed with certified life guards. **Note, that some boating and advanced swimming activities are restricted to Swimmers, per Massachusetts state law.**

Swimmers

Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming. Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using a forward stroke: side stroke, breast stroke, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting back stroke. The 100 yard swim must be continuous and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

Beginners

Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, swim 25 feet on the surface, stop, turn sharply, resume swimming as before, and return to starting place.

Non-Swimmer/Learner

For some Scouts, camp may be their first experience with swimming and other aquatic activities. No test is required for this level, but Scouts are all encouraged to at least get in the water.

BUDDY TAGS

A buddy tag will be used to indicate what level each camper is for swimming activities. Buddy tags will be used by aquatics staff to ensure safety. Parents and adult volunteers must complete the swim test as well and have a buddy tag if they wish to participate in waterfront activities.



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