



WEBELOS WOODS 2015
SMILIN' V SCOUT RANCH, LIBERTY HILL, TX
OCTOBER 9-11, 2015

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL ATTENDEES:

1. **"Scouting is a game with a purpose,"** (Baden-Powell, founder of Boy Scouts). The purpose of **Webelos Woods** is to show that Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting is one path. We can follow this path by camping, eating, working and, oh yeah, playing together. Our resources are directed toward that goal. Webelos will leave camp with a sense of belonging and excitement for Boy Scouting, and Boy Scouts will be proud they have recruited new members for their Troops.
2. Webelos Scouting is a period of change from the ways of Cub Scouting to Boy Scouting. Camp activities will follow these principles: **Group Centered :: Activity Badges :: Arrow of Light :: Camping :: Fun**
3. All attendees shall live and act by the Scout Oath, Scout Law, and Outdoor Code. **NO TOBACCO PRODUCTS AT SMILIN' V SCOUT CAMP.**
4. Teaching and leading this program will provide Boy Scouts opportunities toward merit badges and rank advancement. Adult leaders will act as coach/referee (but NOT during games). **Each troop should provide at least one senior Scout (1st class and above) to serve as Patrol Guide for the morning Webelos patrols/guests.** Webelos will be organized into patrols of up to 8 boys to be teamed with a patrol guide for Saturday morning activities. Webelos will also be organized into integrated patrols with boys from their host troop for the Saturday afternoon games.
5. Please register online via DoubleKnot and pay fees there. All registration must be made as a unit. Late registrants, please bring receipt to Webelos Woods registration. Contact michelle.esquivel@yahoo.com with questions.
6. This is **NOT** a family campout; sorry, no siblings unless they are a registered Boy Scout or Webelos.
7. **ALL** Webelos must be accompanied by an adult partner (one-on-one) if they are going to camp overnight. Registration must be made as a unit, not individually. A unit is a Pack or Troop (or Crew, Ship, Team, Post). Webelos will be required to camp with a host Troop. Locate one at www.BeAScout@scouting.org or contact your Unit Commissioner. Troops indicating participation in this event are:

Troop 10 – Church of the Nazarene	Troop 395 – Shepherd of the Hills
Troop 20 – Bethany Lutheran	Troop 403 – St. Paul
Troop 61 – Austin Ridge Bible	Troop 448 – Bethany Lutheran
Troop 93 – Holy Cross Lutheran	Troop 505 – Oak Hill Methodist
Trop 256 – Bannockburn Baptist	Troop 555 – Abiding Love Lutheran

8. Upon arrival at Smilin' V, please adhere to directions given by Parking Attendants. Only vehicles pulling a trailer may continue driving towards the Lodge to park in the Trailer Area. All other vehicles will park in Main Parking Area--you will unload your gear in the Parking Area to be carried to campsite or you may utilize a staff trailer to carry gear to the Camping Area.
9. Set-up for camp will begin at 6:00 pm Friday evening and end before 10:00 pm. If your troop will be late, please advise us on your registration form or call/text the Camp Director. Each Webelos Scout must have an adult partner, as per BSA policy, other than the Unit Leader if they are camping overnight--no exceptions.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL ATTENDEES, Continued

10. Packs/Webelos – **DO NOT** arrive ahead of your host troop. No one will be allowed to set up tents until the host Troop checks in.
11. EACH unit **MUST** send a representative (buddy system) with registration materials to The Lodge Friday night before 9:00 pm to check in. EACH person, youth or adult, registered or not, **MUST** provide a BSA Health Form, to be turned in with camp roster at the check in desk.
12. If there are special needs, medical concerns or prescription medications youth will be taking during camp, please consult with the Camp Medic in the Lodge.
13. Smilin' V sites are primitive and portable toilets will be available. Permanent restrooms are for **adults only** and not YPT friendly.
14. There is potable water available on-site. All attendees must have a water bottle **and use it**.
15. **NO GROUND FIRES** will be allowed; pack your cooking gear accordingly!
16. Food will **NOT** be provided--each unit is responsible for its own food/cooking.
17. Bring rain gear and dining flies--camp will be held rain or shine! (except in hazardous weather) There are no picnic tables available, so please plan accordingly.
18. Lots of walking will be required; wear sturdy closed-toed, closed-heel shoes, **NO SANDALS OR CROCS**.
19. Each individual's gear should fit in a pack or duffel bag--**think lightweight**.

PROGRAM (see Camp Schedule for more details)

Friday night - Registration, camp set-up, SM/ASM/SPL/Troop Guide meeting

Cracker-barrel for Webelos Leaders, Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, SPLs & Patrol Guides only.

Saturday morning Focus on interactive Scout skills instruction and troop demonstrations. These will include all Scouts and Webelos (leaders and parents will observe only).

Some examples of possible activities are:

- Flag ceremonies
- Low impact camping/hiking
- Cooking with compressed gas fuel stoves and wood fires if allowed, remember, no uncontained ground fires Basic backpack camping equipment
- Knots and/or lashing
- Introduction to Boy Scouts -- promise, law, motto, handshake, etc.

Saturday afternoon - Scouts/Webelos integrated Patrols will participate in structured, Scout-Skill games that provide a fun, interactive, non-competitive activity. Leadership and parents should **OBSERVE ONLY** (no sideline coaching, please).

Saturday evening - Activities might include a campsite inspection by staff. Campfire (7:00) All event attendees are invited to attend Campfire. Each Troop and Webelos guests are encouraged to participate with skit or song (pre-approval required).

Sunday morning - There will be a non-denominational worship service, awards and closing ceremony. All campers are expected to attend.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TROOPS:

1. Ensure that your unit has completed a Local Tour Permit and bring a BSA Health form for each participant
 2. Be prepared to provide a morning activity for a rotation of Webelos groups, approximately 25-30 minutes each.
 3. Each Troop should provide a poster/display with a minimum of the following information:
 - Troop number
 - Scoutmaster Name
 - Senior Patrol Leader
 - Meeting Place
 - Meeting Time
 - Contact Names & Numbers
 - Meeting Address
 - Meeting Night
 - Charter info
- Posters/displays should be easily legible and posted at the program area and the Troop's campsite. Displays that include pictures of troop activities, award plaques/ribbons and other memorabilia can tell a prospective scout and his parent(s) much about your Troop and help them make their membership decision.
4. Troops should communicate with Packs in their immediate area as to camping arrangements, food, and travel considerations. Make a connection and invite the Webelos to attend with your Troop. Attend their meetings.
 5. Pack light and stress low-impact camping. Provide food for your unit and coordinate with Webelos/Parents attending with your Troop. **Show them how to prepare and camp by Patrol Method.**
 6. Bring all the equipment or materials needed for your demo/display/activity, none will be provided.
 7. **Check Camp Schedule for leadership meetings.**



General Questions: Ty Standley, Camp Director (512) 965-4997 or austand@juno.com

Special Needs or Medical Concerns: Suzanne Johnson, Camp Medic (512) 461-0723 or suzanne-johnson@austin.rr.com

TBIRD CAMP STAFF LOOK FORWARD TO SPENDING TIME WITH YOU!