

# 2021 Webelos Weekend

## Leader's Guide



**Camp Geiger, Pony Express Council**

**July 29-31, 2021**

**Outpost Program July 28-29, 2021**

Dear Leaders & Parents,

Welcome to Webelos Weekend at Camp Geiger! We are truly excited for Webelos Weekend this year with many fun-packed opportunities for both the leaders and the scouts! Our goal for this camp is not only to have a fun time while learning scout skills and completing adventures but also to help you get used to Camp Geiger and its operations during Boy Scout Resident Camp. Unlike Cub Scout Resident Camp, this camp is geared more towards the Scouts taking their own classes and getting used to Camp Geiger operations.

Now that you as well as your pack is registered, get ready to enjoy a great time at Camp Geiger. Our staff has worked hard to make sure that you and your packs have the experience of your life while you are at Webelos Weekend 2021.

Please take the time to read through this leaders guide. It spells out what you need to do while planning for your packs great stay at camp and what you and your Webelos can expect once you arrive to camp. Make sure that every leader or parent that will be attending camp has had the opportunity to read this leaders guide. This leader's guide is also available on the website at [www.ponyexpressbsa.org](http://www.ponyexpressbsa.org)

Each pack will have an assigned campsite where they will have assigned platform tents. Starting in 2010 cots are no longer provided by the camp for the tents so please plan accordingly. Scouts will get a chance to spend time in larger groups as well as have some quality time with their friends in their packs. Meals will be served family-style in the dining hall, like Boy Scouts at summer camp. Cubs are encouraged to work together to share campsite and dining hall duties.

Packs will throughout the weekend compete in a number of Camp Geiger Survivor activities that will challenge their scouting skills and knowledge. We also encourage each pack to come up with a skit to perform at the campfire on Friday evening.

If there are any questions that you may have about our program or about the operation of Webelos Weekend, please do not hesitate to email me at [peccubcamping@gmail.com](mailto:peccubcamping@gmail.com) or contact the council office at 816-233-1351. We look forward to a fun-filled stay with you and your pack this summer at Camp Geiger!

Yours in Scouting,

The Pony Express Council Cub Scout Camping Team

## **Registration Information**

### **Camper Fees:**

\$88 per Scout by June 6<sup>th</sup> and \$98 after June 18<sup>th</sup>\*

\$78 per Adult by June 6<sup>th</sup> and \$88, after June 18<sup>th</sup>\*

This fee includes meals, lodging, program supplies, and patch.

### **Refund Policy:**

Refund will only be made in extenuating circumstances such as illness or death; these will be approved by the council office on a documented case-by-case basis. Refunds will be paid by the council service center. No refunds will be given at camp.

### **Leadership:**

During Webelos Weekend at Camp Geiger we observe 2 deep leadership for every pack at all times. All adults (registered scouts and parents) attending Webelos Weekend with a pack MUST complete Youth Protection Training.

\*The exception to this rule is when scouts are attending their activity rotations during the day on Friday and Saturday, at this time the staff will serve as these scouts 2 deep leadership. Leaders are more than welcome to still attend these activity rotations.

### **Camp Visitors:**

There is a no visitor policy in place for the 2021 camp due to COVID-19 protocols. Only registered campers and leaders are allowed to be at camp.

### **Camperships:**

A limited number of camperships are available for the Pony Express Council Scouts with financial need. Unit leaders are encouraged to plan ahead and discuss fees, fundraising opportunities in their pack, and/or financial need with parents well in advance of payment deadlines. Forms are available at [www.ponyexpressbsa.org](http://www.ponyexpressbsa.org) Contact the Pony Express Council Service Center for more information.

### **Check-in & Check-Out Procedures**

When you arrive at Camp Geiger for Webelos Weekend this year the check-in procedures will be very similar Scouts BSA Camp at Camp Geiger. We have created this check-in process to make it more user friendly for our campers and leaders, as well as make the transition between Cub Camping and Scouts BSA Summer camp easier. To make your check in experience run smoother please plan on everyone from your pack to arrive at the same time to avoid delaying your check-in process.

\*Unit check-in times will be assigned in advance. Please arrive during the assigned time.

#### **BEFORE CAMP:**

There will be a pre-camp leaders meeting held via Zoom. Specific details and login instructions will be emailed to the leaders registered.

#### **Checking in the Day of the Event:**

Upon arrival at camp we ask a few simple things that will help make your check in process easier. \*Please have your scouts arrive in their swim trunks, as they will go through swim checks before going to their campsites.\*

1. Leaders and scouts should go directly to the Dining Hall to meet up with their staff host, this host will take the Scouts through the check-in process (There is a member assigned just to your pack)
  - a. You will receive your campsite assignment during the check-in process from a member of the commissioner staff.
  - b. Please make sure each Scout has a copy of their BSA Health Form (Parts A and B), Final Home Screening Form, and medications with them before starting your check-in process
2. The host will take your unit to through the check-in process as well as to the pool for swim check and your campsite. Enjoy your tour of Camp along the way!
3. Once you get your campsite assignment consolidate all of your packs camping gear to as few vehicles as possible
  - a. These vehicles will be able to go into the campsite to drop off the gear
  - b. Only 2 vehicles per campsite, you will receive the campsite pass from a staff member by the road into your campsite

- c. Please move your vehicle from the campsite after it is unloaded

\*\*To ensure a minimal wait time, and smooth process please make sure everyone from your unit arrives at approximately the same time to Camp Geiger!\*\*

### **Checking out of camp:**

1. ONLY 2 VEHICLES PER CAMPSITE
2. Make sure you move all items out of your campsite when loading
3. Tie your tent flaps in bow knots
4. If you moved any cots out of tents please return them before your departure
5. Please join us for the closing Awards ceremony at 8:30 am in the Handicraft Corral.

### **Program**

#### **General:**

The program at Camp Geiger Webelos Weekend is built around improving the scout's skills, working towards completing adventures while having fun. There will be a number of fun and exciting activities for scouts to build their schedules around!

#### **Activities offered:**

The class grid of activities can be found on the website at [www.ponyexpressbsa.org](http://www.ponyexpressbsa.org)

\*All activity offerings are offered on a first come, first served basis with our online sign up system. No bumps will be made.\*\*

#### **Baden Powell Outpost Program**

Our outpost program has been revised and is back in 2021! Join us for the newly redesigned Baden Powell Outpost program the night before Webelos Weekend beings! This is a

wilderness survival program that offers the ultimate camping experience for scouts and their leaders! The newly redesigned program includes:

- Scouts and leaders who are signed up for the Outpost program can check in at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, 7/28
- Survivor Challenges for “Premium” survival supplies
- Guided wilderness survival shelter building by a qualified staff member
  - Demonstration shelters on site!
- Wilderness Outpost meals cooked by your group over a fire!
- A special rustic campfire program in the woods, with a special guest!
- A night out under the stars in the woods of Camp Geiger
- A Leave No Trace Round Robin training fair in the morning
- Early Swim Checks (beat the check-in crowd!)
- A tasty lunch to start off your Webelos Weekend experience
- A special gift only available to Baden Powell Outpost participants!
- Cost is \$15/Adult and \$17/Scout in addition to the Webelos Weekend registration cost

### **Camp Policies**

#### **Adult Leadership:**

All packs must have a minimum of two registered leaders.

Every pack that attends must be under the supervision of its own adult leadership at all times. According to the BSA Youth Protection Policy, two-deep leadership is required for all activities, one leader who is at least 21 years of age and a second who is 18 years of age or older.

You are in charge of your pack at all times and responsible for the discipline and organization of your pack. It is never the camp staff's task to take over your role as leader of your unit.

**Youth Protection Guidelines must be followed. This includes that no adult can stay in a tent with any scout unless it is their parent. All adults (Leaders and parents) must have completed BSA's youth protection training. There are NO exceptions!**

#### **Camp Health Forms:**

All Webelos and adults are required to bring a copy of their BSA Annual Health and Medical Record. Parts A and B are required and must be completed within the previous 12 months.

Part C is no longer required to attend Webelos Weekend, except for participants in the Outpost program, since this takes the time at camp to over 72 hours. Please make sure your Scouts who are participating in rappelling and canoeing are physically able to handle these activities. Part C is strongly encourage for rappelling participants.

#### **Tobacco Products:**

In accordance to the national policy of the Boy Scouts of America, Adults are asked to use discretion when using tobacco products and should avoid using them in the presence of

campers. Smoking is not permitted in camp buildings nor is the use of tobacco products by those under the age of 18.

**Controlled Substances:**

In accordance with the national policy of the Boy Scouts of America, alcohol and illegal drugs are not permitted on camp property. Discovery of these items will result in immediate dismissal from the property. All medications must be under lock and key. Medications can be turned in to the camp health officer on arrival to be placed under lock or in the campsite.

**Firearms:**

Firearms and ammunition are available at the camp for use in the Shooting Sports area. Personal bows, shotguns, and other firearms are not allowed on camp property.

**Footwear:**

Except when at the pool, shower or lake area, closed-toe and closed-heel shoes must be worn in camp, no sandals or flip-flops

**Youth Protection:**

One-on-one contact between adults and youth members is not permitted. In situations that require a personal conference; the meeting is to be conducted in view of others. Adult leaders must respect the privacy of youth members in situations such as changing into swimming suits or taking showers at camp and intrude only to the extent that health and safety requires. Scout campers must extend the same courtesy when female leaders are present in camp, signs are available to indicate the gender of the latrine or shower occupant.

**Vehicles:**

All vehicles must be parked in the main parking lot or on the ridge in between the dining hall and headquarters. No Vehicles are allowed in camp without the express permission of the Camp Director. NO ONE IS PERMITTED TO RIDE IN THE BACK OF PICK-UP TRUCKS OR TRAILERS.

**Telephone and Mail:**

The camp emergency phone number is (816) 364-1523 and is to be used only for camp business or emergencies. Parents and others should remember that due to the camp size and individual schedules, it is not possible to locate campers or leaders at a moment's notice. Mail is delivered daily to Camp Geiger and should be addressed as follows:

Scouts Name & Unit #  
Camp Geiger  
9525 County Road 388  
St. Joseph, MO 64505

**Leaving Camp Early:**

Anyone, Scout or leader, who leaves the camp property, must checkout with the camp office. If a Scout is planning to leave camp (i.e, Summer school, soccer game, etc.) a “Camper Release Form” must be on file in the camp office in order to facilitate a speedy checkout.

Please, advise all parents that they will have to prove their identity when checking a Scout out of camp and please understand that we need you (the unit leader) to be present at the time to verify that the Scout is allowed to leave with this specific person, even if they are the parent.

### **Trading Post:**

The Flaming Crow Trading Post is conveniently stocked with handicraft projects, Scouting literature and materials, snacks, drinks, camp souvenirs, along with a wide assortment of BSA and camping supplies. The Trading Post accepts cash, checks and Credit/Debit cards. This year you can also log onto the Online Trading Post website to order souvenir t-shirt, care packages and MUCH more for your scouts camping with us. The store can be accessed at: <https://squareup.com/store/Camp-Geiger>.

### **Electronic Devices:**

Radios, video games, and other electronic devices are strongly discouraged, but the policy will be left up to the individual unit leadership. Camp Geiger cannot ensure their safety. Also, the past has shown them to be disruptive and annoying to the program as well as the general camp environment. So we encourage you to keep them at home.

### **Meals:**

All of the meals with the exception of Sunday morning will be served family style in the dining hall. Breakfast on Sunday morning will be served in the corral area.

In the dining hall you pack will have assigned tables, your pack will need to provide a table waiter for each table. PLEASE ONLY SET EACH TABLE FOR 8 PEOPLE!

### **Buddy System:**

The buddy system is simply a pairing of Scouts that go places together. The buddy system should be used at all times during camp. Everywhere the boys go they should be with a buddy. No Webelos Scout should be seen alone in camp away from his group.

## **Camp Health and Safety**

### **Health Lodge:**

The camp has an on-site Health Officer, trained in First Aid and Emergency Response. The Health Officer provides routine medical treatment and handles minor medical problems.

### **Program Areas:**

All program areas, including the lake and climbing tower, are off-limits when closed.



**Fire Prevention:**

In case of fire, the Camp Office is to be notified immediately. Each unit is to organize a Fireguard Plan furnished by the camp. Camp Staff members serve as the principal fire fighters. All Campers are required to stay clear of any fire areas. Leaders are instructed to assemble their Scouts in a safe area and take a roll call. Each unit is to appoint a Fire Warden upon arrival at camp. No liquid fuel may be left in the campsite. No fires or flames are allowed in tents or campsites. **YOU MUST NOTIFY THE CAMP DIRECTOR AND CAMP RANGER IF YOU HAVE PROPANE IN YOUR CAMPSITE.**

**Emergency Procedures:**

Emergency procedures are provided to all leaders at the pre-camp meeting and when checking into camp. The procedures are specific campsite assigned to the unit. It is important that these procedures are shared with all unit leaders.

**Webelos Weekend Schedule****THURSDAY, July 29, 2021**

12:30 - 3:30 PM- ARRIVALS

1- 5 PM- Swim Checks at the Pool

5:15 PM- Leaders Meeting at Herzog Lodge

6:00 PM- Packs Assemble on the North Side of the Dining Hall

6:15 PM- Dinner

7:30 PM- Campers line up in corral for Campfire

7:45 PM- Campfire

10:00 PM- Call to Quarters

10:15 PM- Amazing Grace

10:30 PM- Taps

**Friday, July 30, 2021**

6:45 AM- First Call

7:00 AM- Reveille

7:10 AM- Waiters Call

7:20 AM- Parade Call

7:25 AM- Flag Raising

7:30 AM- Breakfast

9:00 AM- First Activity

10:00-10:50 AM- Second Activity

11:00-11:50 AM- Third Activity

12:20 PM- Parade Call

12:25 PM- Assembly on Flag Plaza

12:30 PM- Lunch

1:15-1:50 PM- Rest Period

2:00-2:50 PM- Fourth Activity  
3:00-4:50 PM- Camp-Wide Heroes of Olympus Activity  
5:00-5:50 PM- Free Swim/Rest Period  
6:10 PM- Waiters Call  
6:10 PM- Flag Lowering  
6:15 PM- Dinner  
7:45 PM – Campers line up in Handicraft Corral  
8:00 PM- Campfire  
10:00 PM- Call to Quarters  
10:30 PM- Taps

### **Saturday July 31, 2021**

6:45 AM- First Call  
7:00 AM- Reveille  
7:10 AM- Waiters Call  
7:20 AM- Parade Call  
7:25 AM- Flag Raising  
7:30 AM- Breakfast  
9:00-9:50 AM- Fifth Activity  
10:00-10:50 AM- Sixth Activity  
11:00-11:50 AM- Seventh Activity  
11:15 AM- Leaders Meeting @ Herzog Lodge  
12:20 PM- Parade Call  
12:25 PM- Assembly on Flag Plaza  
12:30 PM- Lunch  
1:15-1:50 PM- Rest Period  
2:00-2:50 PM- Eighth Activity  
3:00-4:50 PM- Heroes of Olympus Camp-Wide Activity  
5:00-5:50 PM- Rest Period/ Free Swim  
6:00 PM- Waiters Call  
6:10 PM- Flag Lowering  
6:15 PM- Dinner  
7:15 PM – Campers line up in corral for Arrowpath program, Cracker-barrel Following  
10:00 PM- Call to Quarters  
10:30 PM- Taps

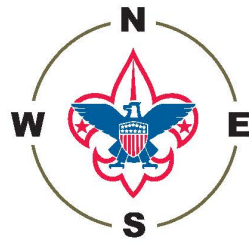
### **Sunday, August 1, 2021**

7:30 AM- Reveille  
8:00 AM- Non-Denominational Scout's Own Service in Council Ring  
8:30 AM- Heroes of Olympus Awards Ceremony and Closing at Dining Hall

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