

# Summer Camp Guidelines

## Troop 518 Summer Camp Rules, Regs and Suggestions

### **RULES \***

- Absolutely no phone calls will be made by Scouts, or adult leaders on behalf of Scouts, during camp week. None.
- Absolutely no food or snack items may be taken or brought to camp. The only exception is one (1) Power Bar if your Scout intends to attempt the **BSA 1 Mile Swim**. These will be held by the Scout Master until swim day.
- Closed-toed shoes must be worn at all times. Suggest one pair of good hiking boots, and one pair of sneakers.
- All T-shirts must either be plain white or display the Boy Scout, Cub Scout, OA or Scouting logo. Bring Class Bs.
- No electronic devices of any kind. **NO** electronic games, computers, cell phones, iPods, Walkmans, CD players, etc.
- No! Parents may not bring Junior a Big Mac or any other types of special food or drinks for any reason at any time.
- **NO:** aerosol cans, liquid fuel anything, fixed-blade knives, illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, fireworks, all per camp manual
- Adult leaders will only take questions and phone calls concerning summer camp from Troop or Patrol leaders.
- All special communications concerning your Scout and summer camp shall be 1) completely **typed** out on 8-1/2x11 paper *and* 2) **handed** to the Scoutmaster by a parent on or before June 1.
  - \* All seized items become the immediate property of that nice guy, Mr. Patty.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

- Each Scout must have a *BSA 2010 Medical Form* signed by a doctor of medicine (MD) and a *Troop 518 Medical Waiver* in the hands of the Scoutmaster no later than June 1.
- All boys must be at least Scout rank to earn any credit for going to Summer Camp.
- Action Packer or similar hard shell case to hold all personal items. The case and cover must **boldly** display the Scout's name and troop number in large block print. We suggest the top cover be secured with lock(s).
- Fanny Pack with Handbook, sun block, poison ivy medicine, rain gear, bug repellent and water bottle or cup.
- Notes: Small 2x4" spiral notebook for note taking. Bring ballpoint pens and mechanical pencils.
- Light: Flashlight and enough bulbs and batteries to last the average adult 6 months.
- Swim Suit: 100 yard swim test on first day is mandatory for all water sports, Merit Badges and free time swims. It's also used for bathing.
- Uniforms will be worn evening meals. No uniform = no meal. Bring a metal clothes hanger to keep it clean and dry.
- Merit Badge Handbooks: Read them before camp. Write all reports before camp. Bring them all to camp.
- Troop Requirements: 1 can propane fuel, 1 can powdered Gatorade or Kool Aid, 1 blanket, 2 sheets, 1 pillow, alarm clock, wrist watch, personal hygiene items. **DON'T FORGET THE WATCH.**
- It will rain. All paper products Handbooks, notebooks and toilet paper should be in plastic bags.
- Heat Related Illness: Dehydration, heat stroke, headaches are all very real problems due to near 100° heat. Teach your Scout to drink lots of water. **LOTS OF WATER.**
- If parents are not going to be near the home phone number on your *T518 Waiver*, then parents must turn on their cell phone.

### **SUGGESTIONS**

- If you never want to see it again, then don't put a name on it.
- Suggest \$15 - 20 to cover daily snacks and drinks at the Canteen, **plus** \$10 for 2 meals on the road. Most camps suggest \$130+. Whatever you send they will spend or loose.
- Send lots of clean socks and underwear. Not that they'll wear them, or return with them.
- Each Scout Pair: 9x12 Ft tarp to cover their tent, 25 Ft of 1/4" rope for clothes line, & clothes pins. Pick your buddy now!
- If your Scout is OA then he should bring his sash.

### **IMPORTANT INFO**

- All camp input is past due as of June 1. Any late payments or scheduling must be through Camp Rainey Mountain. No refunds are available through the Troop. No refunds are available through the Troop.
- Camp is open for visitation by parents at any time. Scouts may not leave camp during visitation. Do not bring food.
- If you are worried that BSA summer camp might be too strenuous for your Scout, then you are welcome to camp with him all week long.
- Be there at 7 AM Sunday morning in the Kroger parking lot. Be by the phone and ready to pick up your Scout the following Saturday afternoon. Bring cash at pick up time to pay the fuel bill.