WEBELOS WOODS SCOUTING INTRODUCE A FRIEND TO THE OUTDOORS SEPT. 17-19, 2021 MK BROWN

Webelos Woods is a campout designed to introduce Webelos Scouts to the adventures of Scouts BSA and introduce scouts to the many troop opportunities within the Golden Spread Council. This weekend has five objectives: recruitment/introduction (bridging to Scouts BSA), retention in scouting after bridging, rank completion, meet other scouts in the Golden Spread Council, and developing leadership skills in older scouts. This weekend will assist scouts in what scout life is like after cub scouting.

The cost for Webelos Woods is **\$60.00** for youth and **\$35.00** for adults. This price includes cracker barrel on Friday night, all meals and cracker barrel on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday, camp support and for the youth a patch and all program supplies. The registration can be found online at www.goldenspread.org.

Note: Schedule and events may change due to changes in the program and policy as well as BSA guidance as to COVID 19

Program

This event includes patrol-method camping and scout activities. Each patrol will have an older Scout as a Troop Guide to assist each patrol. This camping adventure will help prepare scouts for bridging to Scouts BSA and provide an opportunity for them to participate in fellowship and inter-patrol competition.

Patrols will be created by the Camp director with 4 or 5 scouts per patrol. at check-in, therefore if Cub Scout units want all their scouts to be in the same patrol, it would be best if they all need to check-in together. Patrols should enter camp with all patrol members present. **Note:** Council policies require scouts to be in a tent by themselves or with family members. **(May change due to BSA policy for COVID 19)**

During the weekend, Webelos patrols will learn scout skills that are required for their rank with the first part learning the new skill, then demonstrating those skills with a competition. Leaders may want to purchase a Scout Handbook and read the chapters on camping, cooking, first aid, and the sections on knots. Basic skills to be learned but not limited to: basic first aid, scout skills, hiking skills, and knots (square, taut-line, clove hitch, two half hitches, bowline, sheet bend). The patrols will be judged on patrol flag and yell, leadership, teamwork, skill demonstration and scout spirit. Materials will be made available and time set aside for scouts to create flags while at camp. (For more information on weekend events see schedule below). Lastly, there is an all

weekend scavenger hunt competition. Scouts should always be on the lookout for scavenger hunt items.

Registration and Check-in

All scouts and adults should complete all check-in procedures before Weekend Kickoff at 8:30 pm. Check-in may take longer time than usual due to COVID-19, therefore, participants are encouraged to arrive early. Check-in for Webelos Woods will be at the Lew Benz Administration Building located near the parking lot. A Scout BSA Leader will meet you in the parking area to assist you in the check-in procedures and lead each patrol to their campsite.

All vehicles will park in the main parking area at camp and one leader will proceed to the Administration building to check in. After check-in you will have time to set-up camp. Each Scouts BSA unit will be given two passes to drive their vehicles into the campsite areas to drop off gear and trailer, then all vehicles must move back to the main parking lot. Only one Scouts BSA unit trailer will be allowed at campsites. Webelos Scouts gear will be transported to the campsite determined by the Camp Ranger whether by unit vehicle or camp trailer. This will enable us to maintain a safe and secure camp.

As stated above, all patrol assignments will be given at check-in. During this weekend, scouts will be encouraged to be a patrol unit by entering camp as a patrol, participate as a patrol, eat as a patrol, and leave camp as a patrol. (Note: encourage scouts to wear field uniforms (Class A) while driving to as Scouts BSA do when going to camp or camping weekends.)

Camp maps, schedules and campsite assignments will be given at check-in. Also, maps are available on the Golden Spread Council website. If there is a medical necessity or physical disability that staff needs to be aware of prior to camp, please notify the Council office immediately so we can make those arrangements.

Medical Forms

You will also need to bring for EACH SCOUT & ADULT camping, a completed medical form. These can be found at https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_abc.pdf

Please note: Only Parts A and B are required.

Tentative Schedule - Red: Field Uniform (Class "A"), Black Unit Shirt (Class "B")

Friday Night

5:30 pm - 8:00pm Check-in and campsite setup **Troop Guide Introduction** 7:30 pm Campground introduction Hike 8:00 pm Webelos Woods Kickoff in front of Dining Hall Leadership introduction Weekend Outline Patrol Setup Troop Cracker Barrel (start right over Kickoff) 9:00 pm 9:30 pm Leadership: Scouts BSA Scoutmasters, Youth staff and Patrol Leaders Meeting 10:30 pm Lights out **Saturday** 6:15 am Wake-up 7:00 am Breakfast 7:45 am Colors (main field), 8:00 am Design Patrol Flags, Yell, and Chant 8:00 am Troop setup Time 8:30 am Adventure Activity Time 1 (shotgun start) 9:45 am Adventure Activity Time 2

11:00 am Adventure Activity Time 3

1:30 pm Adventure Activity Time 42:45 pm Adventure Activity Time 54:00 pm Adventure Activity Time 6

Lunch

6:15 pm Dinner

8:00 pm Evening Announcements at Campfire

8:15 pm Campfire performed by Patrols, (1 Skit, 1 Song or Story, perform Patrol Yell,

display flag)

12:15 am

9:30 pm Troop Cracker Barrel - Troop Dutch Oven Cookoff

10:30 pm Lights out

Sunday

7:00 am	Wake-up
8:15 am	Breakfast
9:15 am	Colors (main field) - Performed by the Best Patrol during Flag Station activity
9:20 am	Church Service (Duty to God), outside Dining Hall
10:00 am	Competition Results starts after Church Service
11:00 am	Break down camp
12:00 pm	Campers checkout (all personnel must checkout before leaving campsite)

Stations:

Station 1: First Aid (First Responder), Competition: First Aid Relay

Station 2: Flag Presentation (Building a Better World), Competition: Flag Presentation and

folding (winner gets to perform flag ceremony on Sunday Morning)

Station 3: Tent Camp (Outdoor Adventurer), Competition: <u>Tent Setup Race</u>

Station 4: Knot station (Outdoor Adventure), Competition: Knot Race

Station 5: Scouting Skills (Scouting Adventure), Competition: First Class game

Station 6: Obstacle Course (Stronger, Faster, Higher)

Note: instructors should use the EDGE method, each station will end with a competition.

What to Bring

Field Uniform (Class "A") for Campfire and Flag Retirement Ceremony, Unit Shirt (Class "B") (Scouts typically wear unit shirts on Saturday during activities.)

Mess kit (plate, fork, spoon, knife)

Pants & Extra T-shirts

Tent & Camping Chair Sleeping Bag & Pillow

Day Pack or Backpack Water Bottle or Canteen

Sunscreen & Bug Spray Hat

Jacket & warm clothes for cool nights Flashlight

Soap & Shampoo (remember a Scout is Clean) Toothbrush & Paste

Scout Handbook, Notebook, & Pencil First Aid Kit

Plastic Trash Bags (for dirty or wet clothes)

Bath Towel

Socks & Shoes (Closed toe & sandals for shower) Rain Gear or Poncho

Pajamas or Sleep Wear Any Special Items

Snacks (Need to be kept in closed containers)

Any medication needed

Pocketknife & Whittling Chip (Only allowed to have knife if Scout has Whittling Chip)

Leadership

In most cases, the Webelos Scout will be under the supervision of their parent or guardian. It is essential that each Webelos Scout be under the supervision of a parent-approved adult (Guide to Safe Scouting). If a parent cannot attend, arrangements must be made for another youth's parent (not the Webelos den leader) or another adult to be a substitute. No parent should be responsible for more than one youth other than their own.

Uniforms

Field uniforms (Class A) are to be worn for Troop Campfire, Flag, and for Breakfast and Dinner Meals (This is similar to BSA Camps) or Unit shirts (Class B) uniforms are to be worn for daily station times, cracker barrels, campfires and group activities.

No camouflage clothing, military BDU's, or clothing promoting, or advertising tobacco, alcohol or drugs will be allowed.

In the Dining Hall, shoes, pants or shorts, and a shirt is required. Hats will be removed while in the Dining Hall. Closed toe shoes are required at camp due to thorns and hazardous rock areas.

Cracker Barrel

A cracker barrel is an evening snack and time for fellowship with other Scouts or Scouters. The term cracker barrel is most thought to come from the time when people would shop at their local general store and gather around the cracker barrel to sit and visit with others in the community, much like the modern-day water cooler. The food is typically kept simple, such as cheese and crackers, summer sausage, chips and cookies.

Scavenger Hunt

Throughout the weekend there is a scavenger hunt challenge. Most of the items should be collected during the Hiking Station. The patrol who collects the most items will be declared the winner. Collect as many as the items as possible.

Campsite Information and Competition

Campsites are setup by patrols. This event allows the adults to participate. Each campsite will be graded as to neatness, organization, and design. We encourage scouts not to tent with the parent. (Due to COVID this may change). Due to the large number of Scouts and Scouters attending Webelos Woods, there may be more than one Patrol placed in a campsite. Please keep Patrols separate. IT IS IMPORTANT that everyone be aware of this campsite situation and be prepared to cooperate with us by condensing your Patrol camping area as much as possible so that other Patrols may also share the assigned campsite with you.

The Camp Shower house and Latrines will be available for your use. We expect you to control their use and maintain their cleanliness. Any damage or abuse will result in them being closed.

Scout BSA troops will be camping as well. At no time are Patrols allowed in Scout BSA camping areas without permission from the Troops Senior Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster.

For Scouts BSA Troops, campsites will be assigned due to limited spaces. Troops may be sharing campsites.

All campfires, with camp ranger's approval, will be conducted at the Scouts BSA campsites. No campfires will be allowed at patrol campsites.

Event Rules

- 1. Each patrol must work together to learn and accomplish different skills and tasks.
- 2. Each Patrol will elect a Patrol Leader (PL) for Friday Night, Saturday morning session, Saturday afternoon secession, Saturday Evening, and Sunday Morning. Patrol leaders then appoints an Assistant Patrol Leader (APL), Scribe, Quartermaster, Chaplain Aid, Outdoor Ethics Counselor and other positions. A scout can only do a position one time during the weekend. Every scout in the patrol must be either a patrol leader or an assistant patrol leader during the weekend. Patrols will be six to eight Scouts.
- 3. Each Patrol should have a Patrol Name related to the theme, Patrol flag, and a Patrol yell. (created on Friday Night)
- 4. Each Patrol should exhibit Scout spirit, which, for purposes of this event is defined as an interest in, and a willingness to learn and/or work at a particular task or event and game.
- 5. Each Patrol should exhibit teamwork, which, for purposes of this event is defined as working together under the direction of one youth leader (the PL or APL)
- 6. Each Patrol should exhibit leadership, which, for purposes of this event is defined as the Patrol Leader or Assistant Patrol Leader taking charge, showing the Patrol flag and Patrol name when arriving at a new competitive event, leading the Patrol in the patrol yell and directing and assigning tasks as needed. (Note: Items 3, 4, 5, and 6 are part of the judging don't let your Patrol lose points by not being prepared in these areas!)
- 7. Each Patrol must participate in all events during the morning and the afternoon competition.
- 8. Adults are encouraged to attend the Parent and Leaders Q & A discussion at 10:45 am on Saturday. The adults can watch the Webelos Scouts during the competition. Any adult caught coaching during the competition will cost the patrol points, so parents bite your tongue and let them do it themselves!

- 9. Each Patrol must follow the rotation schedule handed out at registration on Friday night and may not go to an event during a time other than the scheduled time.
- 10. We're all volunteers in this together our goal is to provide the youth with exposure to the Scout troops, learn new skills and enjoy themselves.

General Rules

- 1. At all times, follow the Scout Oath and Scout Law.
- 2. Stay with your patrols during the events. Use the buddy system.
- 3. Scouts must be under adult supervision at all times.
- 4. All Patrols and troops will observe two deep leadership at all times.
- 5. If it isn't yours, don't touch it.
- 6. Practice Outdoor Code and Leave no Trace principles. Don't mess with any wildlife.
- 7. Keep your campsite clean at all times. Dispose of trash properly. It is also part of the competition.
- 8. Observe lights out and silence in the camp. Patrols could lose points.
- 9. If someone gets hurt, let an adult know and have him or her get our medical team to take care of the injured person. Don't move them unless they are in danger staying where they are.
- 10. No vehicles in the camping area. Troops may leave one trailer at campsite.
- 11. No ground fires. No liquid fuel. Propane is okay; Webelos shall not handle propane fuel.
- 12. All fires must be in pits. Never leave your campfire unattended. Put out all fires before going to bed.
- 13. Webelos Scouts will not be allowed to handle axes or hatchets. Saws are to have blade guards.
- 14. No sheath knives, No firearms, No BB guns, No fireworks, and No slingshots are permitted.
- 15. After all of the above, HAVE FUN IN SPITE OF ALL THE RULES!