



TROOP 157 SUMMER CAMP BULLETIN

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NUMBER 1

NOTE TO PARENTS AND CAMPERS: This is the first of two bulletins that will give information concerning summer camp. Please read it carefully and keep it for reference.

SIGN-UP. Our summer camp is nearly filled. We will have nearly all boys going to camp — fantastic! The blue sheets with class choices must be turned in immediately so that we can arrange the schedule.

CAMP DISCIPLINE. (Parents, please discuss the following with your son. A clear understanding now will prevent problems later. This is most important!)

1. Summer camp is designed for safe, fun activities. There is not time nor room to play discipline games. Any type of destruction will be dealt with in a serious manner.
2. Conduct which is not living the Scout Laws will meet with one consequence — a Scout will be grounded from all activities and removed from his cabin — first time, no exceptions. Our purpose is to make friends. There is no place for cursing or unkind words toward another person.
3. Any Scout in possession of or using **ANY FORM** of alcohol, tobacco, chemicals, or drugs will be placed on a bus to Lubbock, and his parents called. Don't try me — I'll do what I say! Safety is our #1 goal.
4. **Scouts should be dressed and groomed in a manner that will not be a health or safety hazard to themselves or others.** Scouts may not wear earrings, spacer earrings, gauges, plugs, facial studs or facial rings.
5. **CIGARETTE LIGHTERS AND OTHER COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS ARE NOT ALLOWED!**
6. No cell phones, video games, TVs, or other electronic entertainment are allowed at camp. Electronics are allowed in the car for the trip to and from camp but must be left in the car during the week.
7. Do not bring food to camp. Nourishing and delicious food is provided. Food in the cabins only attracts rodents and larger animals.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS. Any serious medical condition or medications to be taken should be discussed directly with our medic. All medications will be check in to the medic at camp upon arrival. **We must have a new BSA physical exam on record for all scouts and adults.**

FULL PAYMENT. Summer camp fees are due, paid-in-full, no later than June 27th. Fee is \$225 for each Scout and each adult for the entire week . Scholarships are available in cases of financial hardship. Please contact Mr. Bentley. We want all scouts to attend Summer Camp and will not allow the fee to be a reason for a scout to not attend.

PARENTS NEEDED.

1. Dads are needed to go — to teach merit badges and to help in camp. If you will help out, please let me know by calling or emailing Jake Bentley, 806-632-0742 or jake.bentley@suddenlink.net
2. Drivers are also needed — to take and bring back from camp. Call or email Jake Bentley, 806-632-0742 or jake.bentley@suddenlink.net, if you can help, and give him the number you can take in your vehicle. **We will load gear at 6:30 A.M. on July 10th in the west parking lot of Oakwood Methodist Church and leave by 7:00 A.M. Set that alarm!**

AWARDS CAMPFIRE. Parents are invited to the Awards campfire and dinner on Friday night. There are a number of inexpensive hotels in the area. Supper will be at 6:30 P.M. Parents who plan to join us for supper will be guests of the Troop (no cost); however, please let us know in advance how many will be coming. If you come after your son, **please don't plan to pick him up before 11:30 A.M. on Saturday. Breaking Camp is a big job and we need everyone to do their share.** We, as a Troop, will return to Lubbock on Saturday afternoon. Parents will be called about 1 hour before we arrive at Troop 157 warehouse at 47th and MLK.

MEALS TRAVELING. Scouts buy their own lunch — going to and coming home from camp.

PHONE CALLS HOME. Campers **do not call home** during the week.

TRADING POST. Campers, we will again have our Trading Post. Drinks, snacks, chips, candy and camp T-shirts will be available for purchase. Our Troop 157 summer camp T-shirts are really neat looking! They are designed especially for our campers. This year they are included in the camp fee!!

BANKING PROCEDURE TO BE USED AT CAMP. Since there is nowhere near our camp to spend money, and since money has a way of getting "lost" — we will again implement a banking system at our Trading Post. This ensures the safety of each campers money. **CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE TRADING POST.** On Sunday evening, each Scout and Scouter should make a cash (no check) deposit of \$20-50 (suggested) for the week. A balance sheet is created for each camper and adult. Purchases at the trading post are charged to each individual's balance sheet. Any remaining funds will be refunded on the last day of camp. We will cut off trading post privileges when \$10 remains so that campers will have adequate funds for lunch on the trip home.

SWIMMING MERIT BADGE. The ability to swim is a prerequisite. If the scout cannot pass the swim test, he should take the BEGINNING SWIMMING class instead of Swimming Merit Badge.

SUPPLY LIST. The following is a list of supplies that we believe you'll need. Lost clothing or other articles **will be returned only if there is a name on them. YOUR NAME MUST BE ON EVERY ITEM YOU TAKE TO CAMP!** Starred (*) items are required. Double starred (**) items are optional, or if available. Beds and mattresses are provided in each cabin. You will want to take a box fan and light extension cord.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pack/Suitcase* | <input type="checkbox"/> Jeans | <input type="checkbox"/> FULL UNIFORM* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag/Sheet & Blanket* | <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts | <input type="checkbox"/> OA Sash (If OA Member)* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> T-Shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Shampoo | <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socks | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairdryer** | <input type="checkbox"/> Dirty/Wet Clothes Mesh Bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merit Badge Books* | <input type="checkbox"/> Underwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scout Handbook* | <input type="checkbox"/> Towels | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spiral Notebook* | <input type="checkbox"/> Soap | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Items |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pen* | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimsuit | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible** | <input type="checkbox"/> Poncho/Rain Gear | <input type="checkbox"/> Cards/Games** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit* | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis Shoes* | <input type="checkbox"/> Cap |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spending \$\$\$ (\$35-50) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking Boots** | <input type="checkbox"/> Chap stick |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compass | <input type="checkbox"/> Life Jacket** | <input type="checkbox"/> Insect Repellent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pocketknife | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Skis** | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun Lotion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight* | <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing Gear** | <input type="checkbox"/> Box Fan and extension cord** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canteen or water bottle* | <input type="checkbox"/> SCOUTING SPIRIT* | <input type="checkbox"/> Light backpack for books & stuff |

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