

Camp Tukabatchee

Scouts BSA Summer Camp 2020



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Dear Leaders,

We are excited to have you as part of our summer programs at Camp Tukabatchee! We had another great summer in 2019 and are ready to make 2020's camp even better! We have worked hard this off-season to put together our most exciting programs yet!

This guide has important information you will need for your stay at Camp Tukabatchee. It is designed for adult and youth leaders for your unit. Please make plans to review it completely.

At Tukabatchee, we have a broad range of programs and activities all on one property, with the opportunity for both traditional programs at Camp Tukabatchee and high adventure programs for your older Scouts at the Reservation.

Our staff is committed to exceeding your expectations. Your camp experience will be filled with adventures you will never forget. Your adventure awaits at Camp Tukabatchee this summer!

We look forward to you being our guests this summer at Warner Scout Reservation. Please do not hesitate to contact our Camp Leadership for any reason; we are here to serve you!

Yours In Scouting,

Keith Womack
2020 Summer Camp Director



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Troop # and Scout's Name

Camp Tukabatchee

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Prattville, AL 36067

Camp Tukabatchee Phone Number (May 31-June 27)

334-358-5500

Camp Tukabatchee Website

www.tukabatcheebsa.org/summercamp

The website provides the most current information and documentation to help you prepare for camp. All documents in the appendix of this document will be available on the website in excel form.



The Camp Experience

Warner Scout Reservation

Camp Tukabatchee is 1 of 2 accredited camps (the other being Cub Scout Camp Dexter Hobbs) located on the 1,000 acre Warner Scout Reservation. The camp is owned and operated by the Tukabatchee Area Council, BSA, and encompasses approximately 350 acres of the reservation.

Camp Tukabatchee opened in summer 2000. The camp features a 50-acre lake for swimming, rowing, canoeing, sailing, paddle boarding, and fishing. Program features include an excellent shooting sports center incorporating rifle, shotgun, archery, pistol, chalk ball and aerial archery, a full aquatics program, mountain biking, ATV safety course, handicraft, scoutcraft, sundry nature and environmental centers.

Meals are served cafeteria style in Robert S. Weil Dining Hall which is a large air-conditioned facility. The Morgan Administration building at camp is an air-conditioned building that offers visitors restrooms and space for training and meetings as well as multiple offices for administration. An airconditioned 4-bed infirmary provides medical support for camp. Pavilions, staff cabins, and a well stocked trading post complete the basic program components.

Campsites are spacious. Most campsites encompass 3 acres and are designed for 32 scouts and leaders. Raised platforms, cots and tents utilizing outriggers are the dominant scout housing. Each campsite has a multi-use pavilion that incorporates flushable toilets and urinals, sinks and hot water showers. Underground utilities provide electricity and public county water to each campsite.

Key Dates

October 8, 2019

- Summer camp preview & supper, 6:00 pm, Camp Tukabatchee
- \$150 non-refundable campsite deposit due

December 10, 2019

- \$30 deposit per Scout due

February 7, 2020

- First Scout payment of \$125 due, \$10 late fee after

March 2, 2020

- Counselor in Training applications, merit badge requests, and campership requests due at CSC

April 3, 2020

- T-Shirt order (sizes and fees) due at CSC

May 1, 2020

- Final Scout payment of \$125 due, \$10 late fee after - \$100 per adult leader due

Staff Interviews

- See the staff application for these dates.

2020 Summer Camp Dates

Week 1 - June 7-13

Week 2 - June 14-20

Week 3 - June 21-27

2020 Summer Camp Fees

Participant Type	Camp Fees
Youth	\$280
Adult Leader	\$100 Full Week (Sunday-Saturday) \$50 Half Week (Sunday-Wednesday) or (Wednesday-Saturday)

Payment Schedule

A \$150 non-refundable campsite deposit is due by October 8, 2019. If your troop camps with us in 2020, this deposit may be applied to any fees due or transferred to 2021. If your troop does not camp with us in 2020 the deposit is forfeited. Troops are encouraged to make deposits for every Scout and leader by the December 1 date to ensure a reservation. Some weeks camp fills quickly

The traditional program summer camp fee for 2020 is \$280.00. These fees will be paid in three payments: \$30 December 10, \$125 February 7, and \$125 May 1. A \$10 late fee may be applied to each of the final two payments if not delivered to the office on or before each date.

Any Webelos or new Scout that joins your troop after a late fee date will not be charged the late fee if the payment is made within 4 weeks of joining. Troops are encouraged to work with their Webelos dens in December rather than wait until after crossover.

If a Scout would like to attend additional weeks of traditional camp the cost is \$185.00 per additional week.

Online Payments

Online Fee Payment Camp fees may be paid online. At www.TukabatcheeBSA.org/Shop. Summer camp registration will not go live until October 15, 2019. There is an extra fee to pay online. The fee structure will be:

Dec 10 - \$31.50

Feb 7 - \$129

May 1 - \$129

T-Shirts - \$13, \$15, \$17

Note: Merit badge fees may not be paid online.

Lone Scouts

While we do not have a full lone camper program, we do welcome single Scouts to camp with us. Sometimes a Scout would like to come a second week or just is not able to attend with their troop. We encourage these Scouts to come rather than missing out. We will work with you to find a troop for them to camp with.

Camperships

If a Tukabatchee Area Council Scout cannot afford the entire camp fee, a campership is available. Camperships are awarded after all other sources of financial help have been exhausted including the youth member's own earning power, their family's, and their unit's resources. Application forms are in the back of this guide.

Leaders

Each troop must have at least 2 adults at camp at all times. A leader fee of \$100 is required for each leader. The leader fee is designed to cover the cost of the 17 meals served during the week, incidentals like insurance and utilities, and the camp patch. If your troop was represented at the summer camp promotion meeting and pay your deposit by October 8, one leader's fee is complimentary (two leaders if 21+ Scouts attend). At least two Scouts must attend camp to use this fee. We offer \$50 half week leader fees (Sunday - Wednesday or Wednesday - Saturday) as well. Anyone staying at camp for more than 24 hours total in a week must register as a paid leader.

Two Deep Leadership & Youth Protection Training

There shall be a minimum of two adult leaders in each campsite. The first must be the unit leader (or acting unit leader) who is at least 21 years old and a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America. The second adult may be registered Scouter 18 years old or older, or a registered parent of a participating unit member. Parents staying overnight must be registered as BSA members. Troops that cannot provide this leadership must contact the Camp Director for assistance. Please do this long before you arrive at camp. Often troops experiencing this problem will get together and share a campsite.

All registered adults must have a current youth protection training certificate which is valid for two years after your course date.



T-Shirts

Camp T-shirt is a cost item for everyone except for Scoutmaster. Scoutmasters must pre-order and give a size by the deadline or there will be no shirt available. T-shirts are \$12.00 each for adult sizes small, medium, large and extra large, \$14 for 2X and \$16 for 3X and 4X. There will be no kid sizes available. These must be ordered by April 2, 2020 using the attached order form. The t-shirts sold in the trading post will be different than these shirts.

Camp Policies & Procedures

General Rule

Camp Tukabatchee is private property, owned and operated by the Tukabatchee Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. To assure the safety of all campers and to assure all Scout codes and best practices and procedures are observed, the Scout Executive, the Council Executive Board and Camp Director are empowered to make decisions regarding the revocation of camp privileges for any camper for any reason. Should a decision to revoke camp privileges be made, a refund of all unused camp fees will be made.

Guests at Camp

Families often desire to visit camp and see their Scout. Parents should check with the scoutmaster before coming to visit at any time other than family day. When parents and family do visit, they must sign in and out at the camp office. No Scouts will be allowed to leave camp without the Scoutmaster clearing the departure with the camp office.

Camp Commissioner's Meeting

There is no more important ally to a troop in camp than the camp commissioner. The camp commissioners conduct a morning meeting, Monday through Friday, after morning assembly in the dining hall. During the meeting, important daily information is exchanged and unit needs are discussed. Each troop should have a representative adult at the meeting.

First Aid at Camp

A doctor is on call 24 hours a day for camp emergencies. Our emergency hospital is Baptist Health - Prattville. The first aid lodge is staffed with medics. Medicines must be kept in the possession of an adult at all times or you may leave them with the medic. Please bring all medicines for review during the medical recheck on Sunday afternoon. It is the Scout's responsibility to take their medicine.

Please ensure any new medical exams are on this new form. 2014 or newer forms are required for summer 2020.

If a form is completed in Spanish, it must be submitted to us by May 15 so we have time to translate. All BSA medical forms expire after 12 months. Only BSA medical forms will be accepted. School sports/ Work forms will not be accepted.

Anyone staying more than 24 hours must turn in a full medical form (Parts A, B & C).

BSA Medicals forms are for download at www.tukabatcheebsa.org/forms-publications

Shoes. CLOSED TOE SHOES are to be worn at ALL TIMES. Except when bathing or sleeping, shoes must be worn. There is nothing that can ruin a Scout's experience at camp more than to be restricted because of a foot injury. Fully closed toe sandals may be worn.

Water Consumption. With the typical high heat and high humidity, heat exhaustion and more serious problems can occur. Training areas are provided with a supply of water for use by campers and staff. Campers must bring their own cups or water bottles.

Camp Orientation

On Sunday at 5:00pm, there will be a senior patrol leader and Scoutmaster meeting held at the dining hall.

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Smoking/Vaping at Camp

Leaders of Scouts are reminded that smoking/electronic vaping is a restricted activity. Our leaders are reminded in the Scoutmaster Handbook that they should not smoke/vape in the presence of Scouts. All buildings owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America are smoke/ vape free. All underage smokers/vapers will be reported to their leader and parents will be notified. This may result in dismissal from camp.

Firearms

NO PERSONAL BOWS, ARROWS OR FIREARMS ARE ALLOWED AT CAMP.

Money at Camp

The camp is not responsible for the loss of any money. It is the troop's responsibility to set up a troop bank.

Vehicles in Camp

There is great concern for the safety of our Scouts and the erosion problems at camp and we limit the number of vehicles traveling the camp roads. Again, this year the NO VEHICLES IN CAMP POLICY WILL BE ENFORCED. Troop trailers may be moved to the campsite and then the vehicle returned to the parking lot by the designated time listed on your temporary vehicle pass. The ONLY VEHICLES authorized to drive in camp will be camp trucks, delivery trucks and vehicles approved by the Camp Director which all require a vehicle pass. Each troop will be allowed to have one golf cart equipped with nighttime lights at their campsite during their stay at Camp Tukabatchee. Acquiring carts is the responsibility of each unit. Only golf carts that can be used on golf courses are allowed. No Scout will be allowed to ride on carts at anytime unless injured/sick and need emergency transportation. Warning: No troop ATVs/Gators/3 Wheelers/4 Wheelers will be allowed on camp property. This includes Mule brand utility vehicles as they are ATVs, not golf carts.

Flammable Liquids in Camp

BSA policy and national camp standards dictate that flammable liquid fuels must be kept in a safe place under lock and key. Flammable fuels are dangerous. Please help with this policy by bringing all flammable liquids to the designated area. They will not be stored in the campsite or in the troop trailer. See the Camp Commissioners for more information about storage.

Controlled Substances

Controlled substances are totally prohibited in camp. Anyone that is found with controlled substances will be required to leave camp and will be subject to the laws of the state of Alabama. Examples of controlled substances are alcohol, illegal drugs and tobacco products for anyone under the age of 21. Due to the potential fire hazard, all fireworks are prohibited. Anyone found with fireworks will be required to leave camp. A Scout is Clean.

Ice

Limited amounts of ice are available from the dining hall especially if it is a very hot week. Please ask the dining hall director before taking ice. If ice is unavailable please visit the ice house at the corner of US 31 and County Rd 40.

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Camp Emergency Procedures

The camp siren will sound for any camp emergency. A series of beeps is triggered by the camp staff. The sound is similar to the one you hear at home. Early in the week we will have a practice. Please respond to the emergency call as soon as possible.

From 7:00am until 9:00pm all Scouts and Scouters should assemble at the dining hall FLAG-POLES as quickly as possible. If it is during class time ATV and mountain biking students will go to appropriate shelter rather than the dining hall. Their instructor will account for them.

From 9:00pm until 7:00am all Scouts and Scouters should remain in their campsite and await further instructions. Adult staff members will be at your campsite shortly with instructions.

Bicycles

Scouts are allowed to bring bicycles to camp under following instructions:

- 1) Bicycles are allowed on trails. Riders must be courteous of others on the trail.
- 2) Parental permission slips must be submitted with camp registration. This includes those in mountain biking class.
- 3) No bicycle racks are available.
- 4) Area restrictions in campsites are determined by the Scoutmaster.
- 5) Riding time is from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
- 6) All riders required to wear helmets.
- 7) **All bicycles are to be inspected by parents before arriving at camp to be in good working condition including brakes.**

Your Campsite

Your campsite is your home while at camp. Likewise, other campsites are homes for other Scouts and Scouters. Please practice campsite courtesy at all times. Before entering another campsite, ask for permission. If there is no one there, do not enter. This is trespassing. Do not cut through other campsites on the way to activities.

The camping committee requests that an adult remain in the campsite at all times except for meals. During meal periods, the staff will visit campsites. This will help ensure the safety and security of troop and personal possessions. Contact the camp office to report any problems.

Campsite Bathhouses

Each campsite has its own bathhouse. It is your responsibility to keep it clean. Toilet paper, toilet cleaner, a toilet brush, a plunger, a broom and a hose are provided. The bathhouse should be cleaned at least once each day. The senior patrol leader and the scoutmaster should prepare a bathhouse cleaning schedule to be posted on the campsite bulletin board.

Campsite Inspection

Each day the camp commissioners will inspect the campsites and present an award for the best campsite. The inspection checklist can be found in the back of this guide.

Dress Code

All clothing should be in good taste and conform to decency norms of the Scouts BSA. Girls may not wear swimsuits that show any midriff and they must cover all areas modestly. No bikinis are allowed even under a t-shirt. Girls may be required to wear a t-shirt over their swimsuit if the aquatics director or camp director deem it necessary. Girls must wear shirts with a normal tshirt neckline (no tank tops or muscle shirts). Shorts must be modest in length similar to the official Scouts BSA shorts (no more than two inches above the knee). Pants and shorts should be worn at the waist line. Females should not have any visible cleavage. Any questions will be resolved by the camp director or assistant scout executive.

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Protection of Camp Property

Troops are responsible for the care of camp property in their campsite. Scoutmasters need to inspect their campsites for damage on Sunday. Report any damage to the camp commissioner no later than taps on Sunday. If this is not done on time, it will be assumed that your troop is responsible for the damage. Saturday morning a member of the staff inspects each campsite for damage during the week. The troop will be responsible for the cost of repairs or replacement. Merit badge information and patches will not be issued until the damages are paid for.

Camp Security

Scouts are to strictly adhere to the buddy system whenever possible. Everyone must attend meals, whether they plan on eating or not. Any Scout caught away from the dining hall without an adult, depending on the situation, is either assigned cleanup duty or sent home. No warning.

Camp Curfew

A specific nighttime curfew (10:30pm) will be established and outlined to both Scoutmasters and senior patrol leaders at the Sunday night meeting. The staff members will patrol camp after curfew. After curfew, NO SCOUT is to be out of their campsite without an adult. No Exceptions.

If a Scout is caught outside their campsite without an adult, they will be taken to the camp office, the Scoutmaster sent for, and they will be assigned cleanup duties in the dining hall for a meal. If a Scout is caught outside the campsite after curfew a second time, the Scoutmaster and parents are called and they will be sent home.

Check-out

Campsites and bathhouses must be completely clean before your troop may leave. Once your troop is ready to leave send someone to the camp office to request a campsite inspection. Campsites must be cleared by the inspection staff before any merit badge paperwork and camp patches can be issued.

Uniforming

Uniforms are one of the 8 aims and methods of scouting. Boy Scouting is an action program, and wearing the uniform is an action that shows each Boy Scout's commitment to the aims and purposes of Scouting. Although it is not required, if it is owned, we do expect Scouts and leaders to wear scout clothing while at camp. The uniform shirt is required for evening meals and chapel services.

Trading Post

The trading post is well stocked with most items a Scout will need at camp. Program materials for all handicraft merit badges and archery are available for purchase. Uniform parts, merit badge pamphlets, knives, flashlights and FOOD. Trading post hours will be posted. It is the goal of the trading post staff that goodies not interfere with the quality meals in the dining hall. There will be no bank at the trading post. All campers are expected to help keep the trading post clean by using trash containers. If the excessive trash is found around camp the camp director may direct all food items be eaten at the trading post. A SCOUT IS CLEAN.

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Scout Strong & Healthy Living

Scout Strong is a BSA initiative to promote healthy living among all members of the Scouting family. The Scout Strong initiative was introduced in the spring of 2011. It is a cooperative between the BSA and many health organizations. It is designed to promote healthy lifestyles and in-part to address the issue of childhood obesity defined as a national major health concern.



Through safe and well planned outdoor physical activities, Camp Tukabatchee is a great place to promote healthy living and lifestyles. At Camp Tukabatchee, we also promote healthy living through the dining experience by including a salad bar at many meals and by certain portion controls that are based on U.S.D.A and U.S. Department of Health recommendations for active adolescents and adults.

While the camp will not limit calorie intake or food consumption by campers while food is available (most meals have a call for seconds) the camp will follow U.S.D.A recommendations related to portions as an example of healthy living.

At all meals certain items will be available to accommodate the largest appetite including peanut butter and jelly, bread and other snack food.

Special Food Requests

Special food requests for medical or religious reasons must be made by May 1, 2020 to camptukabatchee@gmail.com. We always do our best to work with troops on these requests. An additional fee may be required if we are unable to meet the request with our commissary stock.

Family Day is Friday

Families are invited to come and share Friday's afternoon of competition with the Scout's troop. Competition begins at 2:30pm. Some awards will be given at the 6:15pm flag assembly and the rest will be awarded at the 8:00pm campfire.

IT IS IMPORTANT...That troops planning to picnic with their parents on family day let the Camp Commissioner know by Tuesday morning using the special meals form..

IT IS IMPORTANT...That troops which plan for their parents to eat in the dining hall on family day inform the Camp Commissioner by Tuesday morning.

The food order will need to reflect both situations. Troops will be charged for meals if they do not inform us and we cook too much. Parents may not be allowed to eat in the dining hall (on Friday) if we are not told in advance that they are coming.

Any troop expecting guests on Friday (family day) will be required to have someone from their troop meet and greet their guests in the parking lot and to assist in handling food items to be carried to their campsite. Because of the Friday night campfire preparations, camp staff will not be available to assist guests with supplies. Vehicles will not be allowed to enter the campsites.

Guest Meal Tickets

Anyone who has not paid a camp fee must purchase a guest meal ticket from the camp office for \$5.00 per meal. Anyone staying at camp more than 24 hours must register as a full time leader.

Campwide & Special Programs

Pathfinders Program

This is the perfect class for your first year campers. This program emphasizes on instruction in basic scouting skills. Each camper will have plenty of opportunities to advance toward First Class. Start your first year campers on their trail to Eagle.

Outpost

The wilderness survival merit badge students will depart for their outpost camp at 5:00pm on Wednesday night from the dining hall. Scouts will sleep under the stars completing requirements. In the event thunderstorms are present or projected for the Camp Tukabatchee area, the location of the outpost may be changed.

Wilderness survival gear list: tarp, sleeping bag, water bottle, survival kit (requirement #5) and any medications (given to staff members).

BSA Lifeguard

BSA Lifeguard certification will be offered this summer. Completion of aquatics merit badges is not required, but highly suggested. This is a TOUGH course. Only strong swimmers will complete this course. Five periods plus free time are required for this course. Candidates must "Show evidence of current training in American Red Cross First Aid and American Red Cross CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer or equivalent (includes any training for a camp health officer recognized by BSA national camp standards)." "Or equivalent" is defined as CPR training that includes CPR for adults, children, and infants, plus AED training. "Current" is defined as "not expired". This requirement will not be completed at camp. Although CPR and first aid training can be accomplished before or after camp, it is recommended that both trainings be completed before the start of the BSA Lifeguard course; if they are not, they must be completed within 120 days of the course that they attend. Adults should register for this class by March 1 when Scouts select their classes.

Chapel

A non-denominational chapel service will be held at 7:20pm Tuesday night at the council ring.

Scoutmaster Help

Scoutmaster help is always appreciated and needed. If you would like to hold a night or free time merit badge class let the program director know by May 15. Remember an adult should be in the campsite at all times

Additional Training Opportunities

Our staff is available to conduct additional training for both Scouts and Scouters. A list of classes and times will be provided at check-in. Leave No Trace, CPR (for aquatics merit badges), Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Hunter Safety, and Climb-On Safety are common offerings. This includes Boy Scout Fast Start training. Please contact the camp director as soon as possible if you'd like to schedule any training.



Merit Badges & Classes Offered

Please review carefully the merit badge offerings for 2020 on page 22. Several merit badges have prerequisites and age restrictions. Many merit badges offerings will provide the Scout the opportunity to complete most but not all requirements. We are looking to add merit badges to this list. Updates will be posted on the camp website.

Important issues related to merit badges:

1. Many merit badges require work by the Scout in the campsite if they are to successfully complete most requirements. Be aware of the homework your Scout should do.
2. Many of the camp's merit badge instructors are not yet 21. Therefore, they sign off on completed tasks not merit badges. Troops should review with Scouts at camp or home to ascertain completion and sign-off on the actual merit badge.
3. Merit badge requests may be pushed to the end of the line if a Scout has not submitted their \$30.00 deposit.
4. The merit badge list is on the Scout Merit Badge Form on page 23. Please take note of the fees and other notes on that form.
- ***5. ALL Merit badge requests are now required to be submitted online. Merit badge requests are due by March 1, 2020. Please be sure to check your scouts currently earned merit badges to ensure you do not sign them up for those classes.

Free Time

Free time activities are designed as troop fun activities. All free time activities and schedules are subject to change weekly. Classes and sessions may not meet all 4 days.

Free time activities are offered on a first-come first-served basis. The free time schedule with maximum participants for each activity is posted weekly. Troops may sign up on Sunday for their preferred free time activities.

Typical activities include: swimming, boating, snorkeling, rifle, shotgun, archery, handicrafts, games, paddleboarding, chalk ball, aerial archery and volleyball

Typical classes include: Cit in the World MB, Cooking MB, 5K, Textile MB, Photography MB, Scouting Heritage MB, Fingerprinting MB, aerial archery, Kayaking BSA Award, and BSA Standup Paddleboarding Award

On Monday through Thursday afternoons, aquatics, shooting sports and handicrafts will be open from 3:15 to 5:15pm.

Evening Programs

Monday and Tuesday nights there will be a camp-wide activity. Wednesday night is troop night. Thursday night is Order of the Arrow (OA) night. Everyone in camp is invited to participate in the OA night.

Alabama Nature Center offerings

This year, The Alabama Nature Center will be offering six merit badge classes. These classes will be taught one time each day during a normal period. However, since we are teaching them only one time per day, we are having to limit these classes to 12 scouts. The ANC will have live demonstrations* available for the scouts and will be taught by their instructors. The six merit badges are Bird Study, Insect Study, Mammal Study, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Nature and Plant Science.

* for most classes

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SHOTGUN AND RIFLE SHOOTING. Any Scout planning to take either of these merit badges must acquire and study the current BSA merit badge pamphlet prior to attending camp. For 2019 both of these classes will be two periods. It's our hope that this will allow more instruction and shooting time. If everyone knows the academic requirements we can proceed to the shooting requirements much quicker. No Scout will be allowed to do any shooting until the safety requirements have been successfully completed. All leaders are strongly encouraged to consider the ability of any Scout wanting to take these merit badges as to their ability to comprehend/retain the material in advance, mental and physical maturity to handle/operate a firearm, and demonstrated behavior to follow directions promptly. For shotgun, this includes the physical ability to hold and operate a 7-8 pound pump shotgun and shoot a moving target. Most first year campers are not ready for shotgun shooting. Leaders who evaluate their Scouts' abilities to do the above will insure their Scout has a fun and pleasant introduction into the shooting sports of the BSA.

There will be opportunities during some of the free time periods during the week for Scouts to come and shoot at the range for the cost of ammunition. This can be a way a leader can introduce a first year Scout or one who may not have the physical maturity yet to handle the requirements of the Rifle Shooting and Shotgun Shooting merit badges to BSA shooting in preparation for their attendance at the next year summer camp.

Leaders can also shoot during free time for a chance at the adult leader Top Shot Award. All Scouts who are taking a gun class or who want to shoot during free time must attend the safety briefing Sunday night after the campfire. Adults who want to shoot must attend as well.



Five types of Programs

We are proud of the many program opportunities that are to be found at Camp Tukabatchee. Programs are offered for everyone – from first year camper to the skilled, veteran scout. The camp program is geared to reach Scouts in five ways:

For each individual. There are chances for scouts to advance, to try new things and receive recognition for activities they have completed (mile swim, archery, rifle, shotgun, etc.)

For buddies. At Camp Tukabatchee, we've made the buddy system more than just a safety precaution. In fact, it's a way Scouts can learn together with one or two friends in areas such as handicraft, swimming, and fishing.

For patrols. Work as a patrol and challenge other patrols to games. Take your patrol to an evening activity.

For troops. Camp offers recognition and events that bring scouts, their buddies and their patrols together as one unit. Evening campfires, camp-wide games and Friday activities all lead to troop recognition. You may not realize it, but at summer camp you spend more time together than you do at all the troop meetings during a year.

Total camp experience. You have the chance to work together with other troops and make a contribution to the total camp experience. You can participate in campwide programs and competition and catch the camp spirit through songs and fun throughout the week.

Friday Activities

On Friday, we do not hold classes. Instead, we will have campwide program all day. Each troop will have an option of what they want to participate in. There will be three blocks before the batchee man which starts at 11AM. 8:00-8:50, 9:00-9:50, 10:00-10:50.

Boating on Crane Lake	Aerial Archery
Rifle Shooting	Chalkball
Mountain Biking	Volleyball
Fishing	Games in the Field

BATCHEE MAN RELAY. Beginning at 11:00 AM at the Admin Building will start our relay race through camp. On Sunday at the SM/SPL meeting we will go over what the relay race will consist of. Troops may combine if needed for participation.

WATER CARNIVAL. Beginning at 2:00 PM at the waterfront will be our water carnival. On Sunday at the SM/SPL meeting we will go over what the water carnival will include. The carnival is made in a way that all swimmer groups will be allowed to participate in the activities. Troops may combine if needed for participation.

Adult Program and Activities

Scout Leader Steak Dinner

Thursday nights at 5:00pm. Each registered leader is invited to join us for a steak dinner. Spouses and other Adult Leaders not attending camp may come for \$12. Requests by others must be approved in advance by the camp director. Very few additional requests will be approved.

Scoutmaster Breakfast Social

All leaders are welcome to join us at 8:00am on Tuesday for the social. Leaders are asked to come to the normal breakfast seating with your scouts but just don't eat. We will have a special meal for you as well as guest speakers to inform you of upcoming events and new programs coming to Tukabatchee.

Scoutmaster Hospitality Center

A scoutmaster hospitality center will be outside the dining hall for all adult leaders during the week. It is open all day and all night for your needs. A few things it offers are drinks, snacks, coffee, internet, and a lounge space. A self-service first aid kit is also available. This area is for adult leaders only.

Scoutmaster/ Staff Challenge

On Friday, the scoutmasters will play the staff members in a game of volleyball.



Scouts BSA Schedule for the Week

(Subject to change)

Sunday

1:30-3:30 Check-in, Medical Checks, Swim Tests
 2:30-5:00 Games at the Athletic Field/ Volleyball
 5:00 SPL and Scoutmaster Meeting
 6:00 Assembly
 6:15-7:30 Supper
 8:00-9:00 Campfire
 10:30 Taps

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

6:30 Reveille
 7:00-7:40 Breakfast
 7:40-7:50 Assembly
 8:00-9:00 First Period
 8:15 Commissioners Meeting
 9:10-10:10 Second Period
 10:20-11:20 Third Period
 11:30-12:30 Fourth Period
 12:40-1:20 Lunch
 2:00-3:00 Fifth Period
 3:10-4:05 Free Time A
 4:15- 5:05 Free Time B
(Wednesday night campsite food delivered at 5:30)
 6:00 Assembly
 6:15 Supper
(Tuesday night chapel at 7:20)
 7:30 – 8:30 Monday night patch trading in dining hall
 7:30-8:45 Evening Programs
 9:00-10:00 Merit Badges
 10:30 Taps

Friday

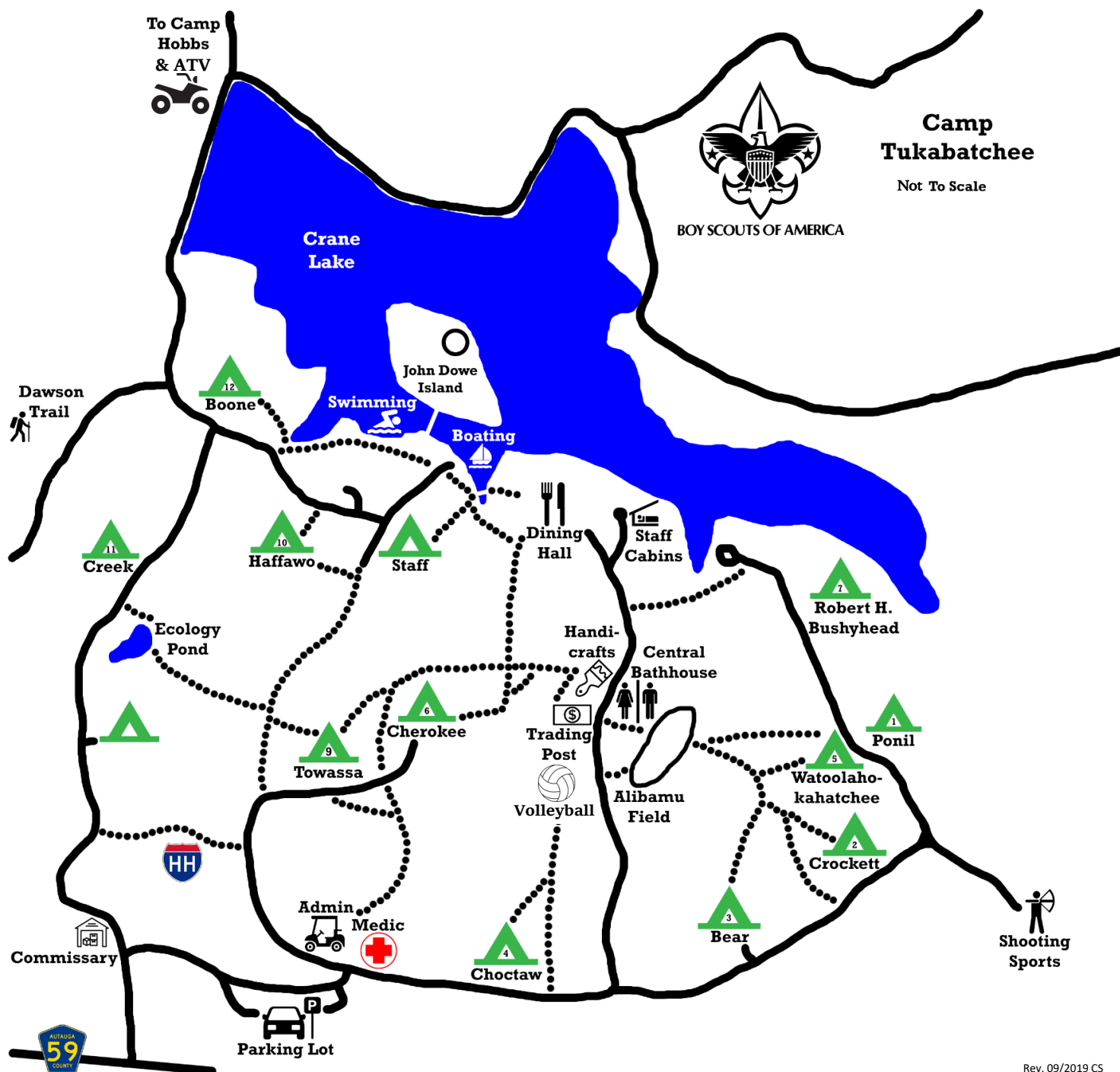
6:30 Reveille
 7:00-7:40 Breakfast
 7:40-7:50 Assembly
 8:00-10:50 Camp wide Activities
 8:15 Commissioners Meeting
 9:00 Mile Swim
 11:00 Batchee Man Relay
 12:00-12:45 Lunch
 1:00-2:00 Scoutmaster Challenge
 2:00-5:00 Water Carnival
 6:15-7:15 Assembly/Supper
 8:00-9:00 Campfire
 10:30 Taps

Saturday

6:30 Reveille
 7:15-8:15 Breakfast
 8:15-9:30 Checkout



Camp Tukabatchee Map



Camper Program Permission Slip Camp Tukabatchee 2020

Required for all Scouts and guests, under 19 years of age, participating in summer camp at Camp Tukabatchee.

(Print name) _____ of Troop/Crew # _____ has my permission to participate in all activities and use the equipment provided by camp or his/her personal bicycle during his/her stay at Camp Tukabatchee in 2020.

Activities that my son/daughter may **NOT** participate in:

- ☐ ATV
- ☐ Rifle
- ☐ Free time activities requiring an off site trip
- ☐ Shotgun
- ☐ Mountain biking
- ☐ Chalkball
- ☐ Archery
- ☐ Pistols
- ☐ Welding

If he/she brings a personal bicycle I have personally inspected or have had inspected the bicycle and it is in good mechanical condition.

HOLD HARMLESS/RELEASE AGREEMENT

I understand that participation in the above activities at Camp Tukabatchee, involves a certain degree of risk that could result in injury or death. In consideration of the benefits to be derived and after carefully considering the risk involved and in view of the fact that the Boy Scouts of America is a not-for-profit organization, I hereby release and hold harmless, and waive all claims against Boy Scouts of America, Tukabatchee Area Council, BSA, activity coordinator(s), all employees, volunteers, or sponsors associated with this activity.

Participant signature _____ / /

Parent/Guardian signature _____ / / If participant is less than 19 years of age, this must be also signed by a parent or guardian.

Campership Application

It is the policy of the Tukabatchee Area Council BSA that no child who demonstrates commitment to the 9th point of the Scout Law, "A Scout is thrifty", be denied camp or activity participation simply due to financial means. To honor this concept, requests for camperships or scholarships will be accepted from any Tukabatchee Area Council unit that participates in a council sponsored fundraiser like annual popcorn sale or unit FOS presentation. Demonstration of the 9th point of the Scout Law by a scout may include participation in a unit fundraiser within the past 12 months or other evidence of "works to pay their own way."

The application deadline is March 1, 2020.

Check which camp the campership will be used for. Scouts BSA Summer Camp _____

Dates attending camp ____/____/2020 through ____/____/2020

Unit # _____ District _____ Youth's Name _____

Brief description of circumstances:

Unit Leader's Name _____ Daytime telephone (____) ____ - _____

Unit Leader's Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

The following contributions toward camp will be made by:

\$ _____ Scout - including popcorn sales

\$ _____ Scout's family

\$ _____ Pack, troop or crew

\$ _____ Chartered partner

\$ _____ Total contributions

\$ _____ Campership requested (the maximum that will be approved is \$125)

I, hereby, certify that said Scout will benefit from the summer camping experience, that a financial need does exist, and all local sources of funding have been explored.

Unit Leader's Signature _____ / ____/2019

Please submit this application no later than **March 1, 2020** to the council office - BSA, 3067 Carter Hill Road, Montgomery, AL 36111.

2020 Camp Tukabatchee CIT Application

Name _____ Troop _____
 Address _____ Rank _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Date of birth ____/____/____
 Home phone (____) ____ - ____ eMail _____
 Father's name _____ Father's work phone (____) ____ - ____
 Mother's name _____ Mother's work phone (____) ____ - ____

Camp experience:

Merit badges completed:

Why I think I will make a good CIT:

Scoutmaster recommendation:

I am camping with my troop (circle 1):

Week 1 -- June 7-13 Week 2 -- June 14-21 Week 3 -- June 21-27

I am available to be a CIT (circle all available):

Week 1 -- June 7-13 Week 2 -- June 14-21 Week 3 -- June 21-27

I understand that I will be required to wear Scout uniforms at all work times. I understand that I may work in all areas of camp. I also understand just because I apply to work does not mean I will be accepted and that I will be notified in writing if I am accepted.

Scout's signature _____/____/____

Parent's signature _____/____/____

Scoutmaster's signature _____/____/____

2020 Summer Camp Staff Positions & Dates

Applications are available at www.CampTuk.org

- 1) Opportunities to serve Scouting as a member of a camp staff are available to outstanding applicants.
- 2) The preferred minimum age is 16. 15 year olds may be employed if space is available. 14 year old candidates may apply to be unpaid Counselors in Training.
- 3) The staff is employed from May 31 to June 28, 2020 with opportunities for special July camps.
- 4) Applicants must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America or agree to become registered before employment begins.
- 5) The principles of the Scout Oath and Law must be practiced as a way of life.
- 6) The staff is expected to set an example in Scouting, which includes the proper wearing of the Scout uniform.
- 7) Salary is based on the position responsibility with consideration to the individual's experience.
- 8) Review the list of jobs in the various areas and indicate three preferences on the application.
- 9) Mail your application early. Opportunities are better for those who apply prior to December 1.
- 10) Mailing address: Tukabatchee Area Council (BSA), 3067 Carter Hill Rd, Montgomery, Alabama 36111.

We are conducting interviews for all of our paid staff positions. Positions below with one * listed will be interviewed as necessary. All other interviews will be scheduled for December 28, 2019 at winter camp. Make up interviews will be scheduled as necessary. **All returning staff will be scheduled before noon. New hires will be scheduled for the afternoon.**

Administration

Camp Office Clerk

Program

Assistant Program Director ***

Aquatics Director *

Aquatics Assistant Director ****

Aquatics Instructor*****

Shooting Sports Director *

Archery Range Instructor ****

Rifle Range Instructor **

Shotgun Range Instructor **

Scoutcraft Director ***

Scoutcraft Instructor

ATV Director *

ATV Instructor ***

Handicraft Director ***

Handicraft Instructor

Biking Instructor*****

Welding Instructor*****

Support

Medic **

Cook **

Assistant Cook*****

Dining Hall Director****

Dining Hall Crew

Trading Post Director**

Trading Post Manager*****

Photographer

Camp Commissioner**

* Must be at least 21 years of age and requires National Camping School training and certification

** Must be at least 21 years of age and requires certification

*** Typically must be at least 18 years of age

**** Must be at least 18 years of age

***** Must be at least age 16

***** Must be at least age 16 with certification

Scout Early Release Request

From Summer Camp

INSTRUCTIONS:

Any parent or guardian desiring to pick up their Scout early from summer camp prior to their troops departure on Saturday morning must have this release form filled out in advance by the parent or guardian.

Name of Scout: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Unit #: _____ Telephone: _____ Campsite: _____

Date scout is leaving: _____ Time: _____

Person picking up scout: _____

Address: _____

In signing this request for release, the BSA, local council, troop leader or their representatives shall not be held liable for any loss or injury to the Scout's person or property.

Parent's or guardian's signature: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Before leaving camp, Scout must check out with their **Unit Leader and thy Camp Director.**

DEPARTURE SIGNATURES:

Unit Leader: _____ Unit: _____ Date: _____

Camp Director Signature: _____ Time: _____

Campsite Inspection 2020

Troop

Site

Maximum of 10 points each

Checklist Item	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1. Tent flaps closed and secure if no one is in camp. If camp is occupied and tents are open are they neat?					
2. Wet clothing or items are being aired on a line (not hung over tent ropes, outriggers, bushes, etc.).					
3. Campsite free of debris and litter (not raked).					
4. Trailer closed when not in actual use.					
5. Bicycles neatly placed in one area.					
6. Complete bathhouse clean and free of leaves, paper, clothing, soap, etc.					
7. Posted at bathhouse - tent occupancy map.					
8. Posted at bathhouse - fire guard chart (2 points), camp schedule (5 points), bathhouse cleaning schedule (3 points).					
9. No equipment, tent, bathhouse or tree damage. Tent flaps must be tied in bows, not overhand knots.					
10. Conservation of camp supplies (toilet paper, cleaning supplies, propane, fire extinguisher, etc).					

Bonus Points					
1. American flag correctly displayed at camp entrance. Up to 5 points.					
2. Patrol flags correctly displayed in patrol area. Up to 5 points					
3. There is a troop gateway. Up to 10 points for creativity and use of Scouting skills					
4. Troop identified by sign or some other display item. Up to 5 points.					

Negatives - subtracted from score					
1. Unauthorized vehicle(s) in campsite - minus 20 points per vehicle every 20 minutes or fraction thereof.					
2. Any vehicle that was authorized by the Camp Director or Program Director that remains in the campsite longer than 10 minutes becomes an unauthorized vehicle - see #1 for points					

Daily Total					
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Total for the week

Camp Tukabatchee - 2020 Special Meals - Form Due Tuesday at breakfast

Please do not turn this in until you arrive at camp so we get the most accurate numbers.

Troop # _____

Wednesday night dinner	
#	Eating at outpost
Yes / No	Providing our own food in the campsite
Yes / No	Is your Troop leaving camp tonight
Yes / No	Eating meals provided by Dining Hall
#	Eating in campsite with meals provided by DH
Guest meals are \$5 each	
We provide the following. Cross out any items you do not want.	
quarter pound hamburger patty	
potatoes	carrots
onions	foil sheet
trash bag	watermelon
napkin/salt/pepper/knife/fork/spoon	
charcoal/lighter fluid	

Thursday night leader dinner
<p>This dinner is intended for the registered leaders. Each full leader is invited for free. Half week leaders may attend for an additional \$8. Spouses/other leaders may attend the meal for \$12.</p> <p>Please list each adult attending:</p>

Friday night dinner	
Yes / No	Providing our own food in the campsite
#	Campers, leaders, & visitors eating in the dining hall
<p>Guest meals are \$5 each. Parents are encouraged to buy meal tickets at the Admin Building not at the dining hall.</p> <p>If more attend than stated above, a meal may not be available. If fewer attend than stated above, your troop may be billed for excess meals.</p>	

Saturday breakfast	
Yes / No	We will eat in the dining hall
#	Campers, leaders, & visitors eating in the dining hall



DO NOT TURN THIS FORM INTO THE COUNCIL. ALL REQUESTS ARE DUE ONLINE THIS YEAR. ALL REQUESTS MADE WITH THIS FORM MAY NOT HAVE CLASSES UNTIL UPON ARRIVAL TO CAMP.

Select 8 different classes even if it says "2 periods" or "3 periods". Number them 1 through 8 with #1 being most important.

Choice #	Class Difficulty	Aquatics (must be a "swimmer" for all except instructional swim and swimming)	
	Difficult	BSA Lifeguard (5 periods plus free time)	Must be 15+ years old. Completion of many aquatics merit badges is a plus, class is 5 periods plus most free periods A & B, CPR "for professionals" certification required before or after class (see leader's guide for full CPR information).
	Moderate	Canoeing (2 periods)	
	Easy	Instructional Swim	This class is for "learners"
	Moderate	Kayaking	
	Difficult	Lifesaving (2 periods)**	Will not complete #15
	Moderate	Motorboating	\$10 fee, age 14+, prior completion of rowing merit badge is preferred
	Moderate	Rowing	
	Moderate	Sailing	Will not complete #1b
	Moderate	Swimming**	May not complete #2, this class is for "beginners" & "swimmers, beginners will not complete all of the requirements. Not recommended for first year campers.
Choice #	Class Difficulty	High Adventure	
	Moderate	ATV	\$25 fee, age 14+
	Moderate	Mountain Biking(Cycling MB**) - I have my own trailworthy bike and helmet (2 periods)	\$0 fee, extra tires and bike parts are not available. If a boy elects to bring his own bike and gear, there may not be a spare bike for him. Please ensure his bike and gear are in good working order before arriving.
	Moderate	Mountain Biking(Cycling MB**) - I need a camp bike (2 periods)	\$15 fee
		Mountain Biking	May not complete all of #7c. Will not complete #7d
Choice #	Class Difficulty	Handicrafts	
	Easy	Art	
	Easy	Leatherwork	\$10 fee
	Easy	Sculptor	
	Moderate	Welding	\$12 fee
	Easy	Woodcarving	\$5 fee
Choice #	Class Difficulty	Alabama Nature Center - On Site Options	
	Moderate	Bird Study	May not complete #5; will not complete #9
	Moderate	Insect Study	Will not complete #9; will not complete #10b (can complete at the ANC)
	Moderate	Mammal Study	Will not complete #5
	Easy	Reptile & Amphibian Study	Will not complete #8b (can complete at the ANC)
	Easy	Nature	Will not complete #4
	Easy	Plant Science	Can complete all
Choice #	Class Difficulty	Scoutcraft & Ecology	
	Easy	Camping**	Will not complete #5e,7c,8c,9
	Easy	Chemistry	May not complete all
	Moderate	Emergency Preparedness**	Will not complete #1,2c,7,8b
	Moderate	Environmental Science**	Will not complete #3f
	Moderate	First Aid**	Will not complete #1,2d - #1 should be done before camp - Not recommended for first year campers
	Easy	Fishing	May not complete #7, 9, bring own pole if possible
	Easy	Geology	
	Easy	Pathfinders (3 periods)	Covers Scout, Tenderfoot, and Second Class Ranks
	Easy	Personal Fitness**	Will not complete #1b, 8
	Easy	Radio	
	Moderate	Robotics (2 periods)	\$20 fee
	Moderate	Pioneering	
	Easy	Signs, Signals, and Codes	May not complete #7
	Moderate	Space Exploration	\$15 fee
	Easy	Wilderness Survival	Bring materials for #5, Not recommended for first year campers
Choice #	Class Difficulty	Shooting Sports	
	Difficult	Archery	\$10 fee, may not complete #3c - Not recommended for first year campers
	Moderate	Rifle (2 periods)	\$20 fee, book required, please read thoroughly before camp
	Moderate	Shotgun (2 periods)	\$25 fee - Not recommended for first year campers
	Moderate	Advanced Rifle	\$25 fee - Must have COMPLETED rifle merit badge before taking this class
	Moderate	Advanced Shotgun	\$30 fee - Must have COMPLETED shotgun merit badge before taking this class
	Moderate	Pistol	\$20 fee - age 14+

** denotes eagle required

Free Time - These classes MAY be offered - Sign up Sunday after supper

Cit in the World MB**, Cooking MB**, 5K, Textile MB, Photography MB, Scouting Heritage MB, Fingerprinting MB, Electricity MB, Kayaking BSA award, BSA Standup Paddleboarding Award, Aerial Archery

2020 Camp Tukabatchee Transmittal

of camper fees and merit badge fees

Troop		Week	Please: Use a new form each time you submit changes. Do not make changes to an old form. Do not total past payments.
Leader responsible for camp paperwork			
Email			
Phone			

This is for NEW payments only

	Scout			New	Scout	Camp	Merit badge	Tshirt	Total amount
	Last Name	First Name	M/F	Registr	no	fees paid	fees paid	fee paid	now transmitted
				ation	longer	today	today	today	(\$amount)
					coming	(\$amount)	(\$amount)	(\$amount)	
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Adult leaders									
1									\$ -
2									\$ -
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6									\$ -
CAMPSITE DEPOSIT ONLY									\$ -

Mail payments to: BSA, 3067 Carter Hill Rd, Montgomery, AL 36111

Total:	\$ -
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Please use this form. Do not create your own.
 Use additional transmittal forms if this one is full.

T-shirt deadline is April 5

2020 Camp Tukabatchee Presale T-shirts

This is the official 2020 summer camp t-shirt. Shirts sold in the trading post will be different.

Troop	Week
Leader responsible for camp paperwork	
Email	
Phone	

S - XL	\$12
2X	\$14
3X-4X	\$16

Circle Adult Size

Smaster - Free - do not include below	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
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To avoid us overlooking a 2nd shirt please list a boy or adult twice if he wants 2 shirts.

	Last name	First name	Circle Adult Size						
1			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
2			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
3			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
4			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
5			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
6			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
7			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
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14			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
15			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
16			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
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27			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
28			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
29			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
30			S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
Total # of shirts by size									

Payment must be received with order.
Tshirt orders will not be accepted after April 5. No exceptions.

2020 Camp Tukabatchee Refunds

All refund requests must be made on this form. Refund amounts are based on the date this form is **received**.

Mail this form to: BSA, 3067 Carter Hill Rd, Montgomery, AL 36111 or email to denise.miller@scouting.org

Troop/Crew	Week
Leader responsible for camp paperwork	
Email	
Phone	
Address to mail check to:	

I am making a refund request for fees paid. I understand the refund policy as stated below.

X _____ / ____ /20

	Scout/Leader		Receipt(s) & Date(s)	Camp fees	Merit badge fees paid	Tshirt fee paid	Refund requested	Reason for refund
	Last Name	First Name						
1								
2								
3								
4								
5								
Total:								

Planning for camp is a tedious and costly process. Decisions are made and funds are allocated for camp based on early registrations and fee payments. While it is not the intent to penalize campers with a strict and enforced refund policy it is necessary and in the interest of all campers to do so. Please advise your parents of these policies. Refunds are not approved for "John Doe" registration.

1. NO FEES WILL BE TRANSFERRED. The first \$50.00 of any Scout's fee is not transferable and non-refundable. Refunds of fees paid greater than \$50.00 may be requested.

2. If request made 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO CAMP (14+ days) - all but \$50.00 of a camper's fee may be refunded.

3. If request made 1 WEEK PRIOR TO CAMP (7-13 days) - a maximum of 50% of fees paid may be refunded.

4. NO SHOW (0-6 days) = NO REFUND of any fees paid.

5. Special Circumstances. A scoutmaster may submit a request to the Council Camping Committee for a refund for special situations like illness or summer school, in writing, stating the reason for the request. In these cases a refund of greater than 50% may be awarded. In no case will the first \$50.00 be refunded. The Council Camping Committee will review all refund requests.

6. NO REFUNDS will be issued to individuals. Only troops may request refunds and only for the exceptions noted.

7. T-shirt fees will not be refunded after April 5.

8. No refunds for summer camp 2020 will be made after August 15, 2020.

FAQ's

1. Why is the first \$50.00 of each Scout's fee nonrefundable and non-transferable?

Answer: Camp operations have become a significant planning issue, and a financially challenging program to administer. Commitments to staff, food, supplies, patches, etc. must be made many months in advance of camp opening. A good working knowledge of projected camp attendance and knowledge that crossovers and new Scouts will be added to rosters late allows good planning and conserves resources. When fees are transferred from non-attendees to Scouts who are newly committed or to existing registrants, the attendance projections become skewed and advance planning becomes difficult. The \$50.00 non-refundable and nontransferable fee payment provides a cushion or hedge and acts as a penalty for those who change plans late in the camp preparation cycle.

2. Why require troops to register for a campsite and camp week by October 8?

Answer: Camps all tend to have campsites that are more popular than others and weeks of operation that are more popular than others. To be fair to troops that camp year-after-year at Tukabatchee, the deadline was established. Each year there are troops which camp at

Tukabatchee for the first time. The new troops often choose the most popular sites and weeks. To assure our long-time camping troops have the opportunity to camp in their favorite site and during their favorite week, make your intention known at the October 8, 2019 meeting, then make your payment by then.

3. Why require merit badge sign-ups by March 1st?

Answer: Every effort is made to provide the necessary staff for the number of merit badge class participants. With early planning, we can cross-train staff, adding to the popular offerings and decreasing less popular offerings. Last minute reassignments lead to poor staff preparation.

4. Why hassle leaders regarding vehicles in camp?

Answer: Nationwide the most common serious accidents at camp relate to vehicles. Camp roads are very narrow. Some traffic in service vehicles is necessary. When roads become clogged accidents occur. The very nature of camp is a factor. Cars, trucks and vans detract from the "wilderness experience" that camps attempt to emulate. A good rule of thumb at camp is "if it isn't paved or designated as a drive or parking lot then they didn't plan for my vehicle to be there."

5. Why are there restrictions related to golf carts?

Answer. Most camps have "no golf cart" policies. At Tukabatchee we chose to allow golf carts because travel by roads within camp can be lengthy and time consuming and because we did wish our unit leaders to visit as many program venues as possible within a day. Still, golf carts when used improperly become dangerous. Speeding is dangerous for riders and walkers. Operating without lights at night is extremely dangerous. To reduce speed, improve safety and maintain roads we require golf carts and their operators to meet standards and obey rules.

6. Why have rules at all?

Answer. Without rules chaos exists, tempers flare and safety is abridged. At camp every consideration is given our youth and volunteers before rules are established. There are no arbitrary rules. Those who understand and obey rules at camp are blessings to the staff. Those who live by "their rules" are not.