



Camp Chawanakee

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Camp Leader's Guidebook

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73 Years of Outdoor Adventure

Troop No. _____ Circle one Male / Female Council _____

Estimated Number of Scouts _____ Venturers _____ Adult Males _____ Adult Females _____

CAMPSITE SELECTION: In order to make a reservation call the Fresno Scout Office at (559) 320-2100 and ask for the Camping Department. That way you can discuss what sites are still available in specific weeks and find the best site that works for you.

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| ___ Hupa (20) | ___ Mono (30) | ___ Tehachapi (28) |
| ___ Indian Village (28) | ___ Paiute (28) | ___ Thunderbird (30) |
| ___ Inyo (36) | ___ Pioneer (36) | ___ Winton (30) |
| ___ Mariposa (28) | ___ Pomo (36) | ___ Yokut (22) |
| ___ Mirimichi (22) | ___ Sha-Cha-Quoi (16) | ___ Yosemite (50) |
| ___ Miwok (30) | ___ Tachi (20) | ___ Yuki (20) |
| ___ Modoc (30) | ___ Tah-Heetch (30) | ___ Yuma (46) |
| ___ Mojave (30) | ___ Tamarack (28) | |

- Yes, we plan to arrive on Saturday after 5PM. We understand an early arrival fee will be assessed.
- We plan to arrive on Monday morning by 6AM. We understand there are no swim tests on Monday.

Session Requested: Please indicate the session you would like to attend below.			
Session 1: 6/07 - 6/13	_____	Session 5: 7/05 - 7/11	_____
Session 2: 6/14 - 6/20	_____	Session 6: 7/12 - 7/18	_____
Session 3: 6/21 - 6/27	_____	Session 7: 7/19 - 7/25	_____
Session 4: 6/28 - 7/04	_____	Session 8: 7/26 - 8/1	_____

BSA requires that all units must have a minimum of two adults present at camp.

<p style="text-align: center;">PRIMARY CONTACT LEADER</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City: _____</p> <p>State: _____ Zip: _____</p> <p>Home Phone: _____</p> <p>Mobile Phone: _____</p> <p>E-Mail: _____</p>	<p>Within one to two weeks you will receive a confirmation email of your reservation. You can have more than one contact leader for camp. Please provide us with the names & emails of up to two additional people who you want to receive information about Camp Chawanakee for 2020.</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Name</td> <td style="text-align: center;">E-Mail</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="border-top: 1px solid black; height: 40px;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="width: 45%;"></div> <div style="width: 45%;"></div> </div> </td> </tr> </table>	Name	E-Mail	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="width: 45%;"></div> <div style="width: 45%;"></div> </div>	
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Deposit: Pay \$10 per person (youth and adult) that you put at the top of this reservation from.

Remember to use *conservative forecasting*, we **do not offer refunds**. Please make a copy for your records

* Please list **your unit number** and **council name** on all checks
Make all checks payable to **Sequoia Council Boy Scouts of America**

Mail to
Sequoia Council, Boy Scouts of America
6005 N Tamera Ave.
Fresno, CA 93711

Visit our websites for more information
www.seqbsa.org
www.facebook.com/campchawanakee

Letter to the Units

Dear Troop/Crew Leader:

We want to personally express our gratitude to you for choosing Camp Chawanakee. Your unit is about to experience one of the finest Scout camps in the nation.

Your Scouts BSA and Venturers can join in the fun and adventures of camp by being a part of swimming, boating, hiking, biking, field sports, and much more. The beauty and majesty of camp will act as a natural backdrop for an exceptional outdoor learning experience. Our Camp Chawanakee staff is eager to help make your summer experience a rewarding and meaningful one. Our staff is well versed in the Scouts BSA and Venture programs. Serving your unit is our number one priority. This guide contains a wealth of information to help your unit receive the program it expects at Camp Chawanakee. We are continuing to fine-tune our offerings at camp and this guide will help your unit have a good experience at camp. Read it carefully and feel free to email the Council Office at campdirector@seqbsa.org if you have any questions.

Again, thank you for choosing Camp Chawanakee we look forward to meeting all of you this summer.

In the Spirit of Scouting,

Greg Ferguson
Camp Director

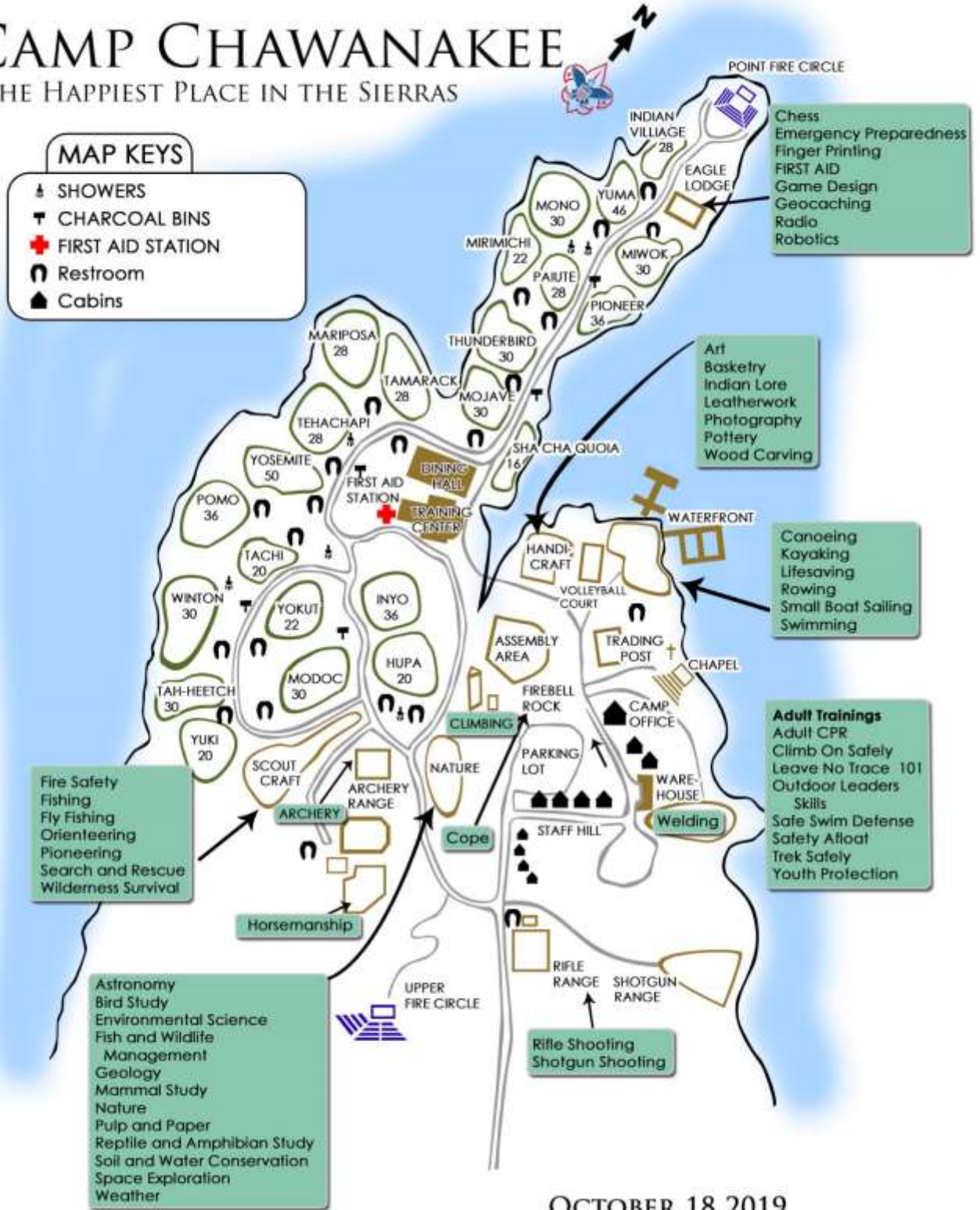
Visit our Council Website at
<https://www.seqbsa.org/>

Get Updated Information at
<https://www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee>

Like Camp Chawanakee on Facebook at
www.facebook.com/campchawanakee

Camp Map

CAMP CHAWANAKEE THE HAPPIEST PLACE IN THE SIERRAS



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Online Resources:

Camp Chawanakee offers an online leader guide. This edition features several links to the various forms that are required to enjoy your stay at Camp Chawanakee. Use the links for quick access. Any changes to this guide will be communicated to you through our Camp Website. **It is vital that you register your email address with this site so that communication is smooth and timely.**

Sequoia Council Website <https://www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee>

[Camp Chawanakee Weather](#) Find out what the weather might be before you arrive.
<https://weather.com/weather/today/l/USCA1047:1:US>

[Medical Form](#) We use the standard BSA Medical Form. This form is used for scouts bsa, venturers and adults and is good for only one year. You are required to fill out sections A, B and C. Participants must bring the appropriate, valid form, with them to camp. **A check of this form is a mandatory part of check in, no one may participate in any camp activity until his or her medical form is completed and turned in.** We will be doing med checks on a unit basis. We encourage units to have all medical forms sorted and stored in one binder that will be turned in to our Medical Staff by the Unit Leader. When your unit leaves camp we will return your medical forms to you. **Please be sure you received all your forms before you leave.**

You can find a copy digitally to share on the council website at <https://www.seqbsa.org/2020-camp-leader-guide/>. Please be sure to share this with everyone in your unit to help them get ready for their stay at camp.

Find info online at <https://www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee/>



www.facebook.com/CampChawanakee

Directions for Camp Chawanakee

Google Link: <https://g.page/CampChawanakee>

Paying for Camp

The cost for camp is \$460 per youth for units out of Council. The cost for adults/leaders is \$275 for out of Council. All leaders/adults pay this fee. The cost for Sequoia Council youth is \$400 and \$240 for adults/leaders for Sequoia Council. Your unit can qualify for a couple of different discounts. You can switch adults out during the week without paying for another adult. You will need to list all adults on your roster. Each unit must register as their own unit even if units are combining. This is important for the national camping report to identify a unit had a long-term summer camp. So, if two units are combining, there must be 4 adults. Each unit must have two 21-year-old or older registered adult leaders in camp. Female youth must have a female adult leader. There is a Friends of Scouting Incentive for in-Council units that can reduce youth costs by \$25.00. There are also sibling discounts (\$25.00 dollars off for each sibling) and a returning youth for that season will get a discount of \$100.00 dollars off a second week. There are no sibling discounts after the fact. These must be anticipated by the unit before they arrive at camp. Any unit visiting Camp Chawanakee from outside California will receive a 10% discount on camp fees.

- If your unit wants to arrive on Saturday, there is an extra fee of \$10 per person.
- Commissioner: Adults that want to help camp by being Volunteer Commissioners can come to camp for free. **There are a limited number of spots per week and they are first come first serve.** Call the Fresno Office to find out more at (559) 320-2100. Each unit can have only one Volunteer Commissioner.
- NYLT, if you attend the Sequoia Council NYLT and another week of camp take \$100 off your camp costs.
- **Transfers** at Camp Chawanakee. You may transfer funds from one youth and adults/leaders in the same unit to another.

Payment Dates

- Deposit of \$10 per person, Youth and Adults, on reservation form.
- January 15th a payment of \$125 per person (both youth and adults)
- March 10th a second payment of \$100 per person (both youth and adults)
- Three weeks before you come to camp you should have the remainder of your balance paid.
- Also, once this has passed you may not lower your numbers and will pay for the youth or adult even if they don't come to camp. You may have last minute additions and that is fine, just let us know. There are no refunds.
- If a unit misses their payment dates and does not contact the Fresno Office your reservation may be cancelled and all fees paid are forfeited and your site given to another unit.
- To qualify for Merit Badge Signups, you must have both the January and March payments in the scout office.

Conservative Forecasting

When you make reservations for the summer, be conservative. Example: if you plan to bring 12 youth and 2 adults, perhaps you should indicate to the Camp that you will be bringing 10 youth and 2 adults and pay for these 10 youths and 2 adults. Right up to the day you arrive at Camp, you may add youth and adults. So, if you arrive at Camp with 12 youth and 3 adults; that is perfectly fine. You may pay these fees at arrival. **Caution:** if you bring a surprising 10 extra youth, you are wise to phone the Council office with a heads up. Conversely, if you indicate you are bringing 12 youth and 2 adults (fully paid or not) and you arrive at Camp with only 10 youth, we cannot make a refund. If not yet fully paid, you will be responsible to pay full fees. These fees cannot be pushed into the next camping year. **If a site is over booked we will not move wall tents. We will issue your Jamboree style unit pop-up tents and sleeping mats to use for that week.** If checked out tents are returned damaged the unit is financially responsible. Bringing a few of your own tents for extra equipment etc. is always a good idea. Shade structures are also a good idea. If you are sharing a campsite, please see the Scout spirit info below.

Sharing a campsite

If you reserve a campsite and do not take up all the spots in a site we may put another unit in the campsite with you to share the site. We post all the units that are in the campsite online at <https://www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee> so you can see if you are sharing the campsite with another unit. If you are sharing a campsite, please wait for the other unit so that you may divide the site appropriately. This is especially true if the site is overbooked and we need to issue you pop-up tents. We manage our campsites to make sure every unit can get to camp. We thank you in advance for your understanding.

Camperships

We believe that every youth should have the option to go to summer camp and we are committed to making this happen. We encourage units to participate in fundraisers to help defer the cost of camp such as Annual Popcorn Sales or through programs like Camp Card Sales. However sometimes a little extra is needed. Through the generous donations of people and businesses around the Sequoia Council we are happy to be able to offer scholarships “camperships” to summer camp for all youth attending. If you have a family that needs assistance have them fill out a campership application. You can download the application at <http://www.seqbsa.org/camperships>. All applications must be in the office May 1st. **Every youth who applies for a campership typically gets something.** Please note that for the unit to get the campership discount, the youth must go to camp. Camperships are announced in mid-May, if you applied for a campership you may want to refrain from paying your full balance until awards are announced. Remember there are no refunds.

Registration Administration

Keep all email notifications from the “247Scouting” system.

These emails contain the security links to allow login and modification of all facets of your camp registration.

General Guide to Camp Chawanakee

Before Arrival at Camp:

Please hold a familiarization meeting with your youth and their parents. This is a good time to complete the necessary paperwork. Make sure that each participant (including adults) has a B.S.A. physical form (Parts A, B, & C) filled out and signed by a doctor. Leaders should pay attention to Part B: Parental consent regarding nonprescription medication administration.

In April we will host a Camp Leader Meeting on **Wednesday April 8, 2020 at 6:30 PM** at the Fresno Scout Office. It is broadcast live online and archive posted on the council's [YouTube channel](#). We encourage all units to attend or view the leader meeting.

Saturday Arrivals

Units can choose to arrive Saturday. Units are **required to provide their own food until Sunday Dinner**. Aside from Chapel, Showers and Restrooms, there are no program areas or facilities available to units that arrive on Saturday. Please do not go swimming in the lake. Camp Management is on site in case of emergencies only. **The Camp Office is closed on Saturday afternoons, please go directly to your site, but please make sure to do your official check in on Sunday beginning at 1:00 PM.**

Sunday Arrivals and Checking into camp

Check in begins at 1:00 PM at the Camp Office. Your unit can arrive earlier but there will not be early check ins. The adult and YOUTH LEADER most familiar with your youth and the unit's finances should check in. Turn in the following papers:

Unit Roster: You will need to have **two copies** of your Roster. You will need **one more copy for Medical Checks** and **one final copy for your campsite**. The Roster must have name and phone numbers for each person at camp.

Shooting Permission Forms: As per California State Law anyone who is under the age of 18 and wants to use the Rifle or Shotgun ranges needs to have this signed form. You will turn these into the camp office during check in.

If you are changing your adults partway through the week, please make sure both adult names and phone numbers are on your unit's roster.

Each unit will get a camp staff guide assigned to them to provide an orientation of camp and act as your buddy for the week. This orientation will include medical, dining hall orientation to find out your eating session and table numbers, and a swim test (we recommend that participants wear their swim trunks under their uniform). We will be doing med checks on a whole unit basis. While on the tour please ask questions, it is the best way to learn about Camp Chawanakee. Your guide will take you on a detailed tour of camp. A unit leader/YOUTH LEADER meeting is scheduled Sunday afternoon at 5:00 pm at the Chapel.

Unloading Gear at Camp and Camp Site Vehicle Parking (NEW for 2020):

Each registered unit will be allowed one vehicle / trailer combination campsite pass. Only the vehicle with the campsite pass is authorized to be in the campsite area. All other vehicles must be parked in the camp parking lot. Gear in vehicles parked in the camp parking lot may be shuttled in a vehicle with the campsite pass. There will be no exceptions to this policy outside of specific authorized unit needs.

Departure on the last day:

A camp staff guide will help you check your unit out of your campsite. The head commissioner will send staff guides to your patrol site(s) at an agreed upon time between 6:00 am - 9:00 am. You will schedule at the 10:00 am Friday leader's meeting, held in the chapel.

Any parents desiring to spend a single night in camp on Friday night may do so by reserving a site at our Family Camp Facility or Cabins at Camp Chawanakee. You can register online at

<https://www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee/family-camp> and

<https://www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee/cabins>

Transportation:

Each unit is responsible for arranging transportation for their youth to and from Camp Chawanakee. **Cars must be parked in the Camp parking lot, PLEASE BACK THEM IN.** Due to limited parking space, *car-pooling is highly recommended.* Those **arriving by bus** should advise their driver **to turn right at the top of the parking lot and proceed to the front of the warehouse.** Arrival at camp is advised to be between 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm on Sunday. No passengers can be transported in truck beds or trailers. **Motorcycles, ATV's, Jet skis are not permitted at camp. Personal boats may not be docked at campsites.** If you have a watercraft and would like to dock it at the Camp waterfront, please contact the Camp Director (campdirector@seqbsa.org) prior to arrival at Camp for discussion.

Early Swim Check: A Great Improvement to Sunday Check In

To speed up your Sunday arrival process, we encourage units to do a private swim check on your own as a unit before coming to camp. Guidelines are in this guide. Fill out buddy tags in advance. Keep in mind that our camp is located at an elevation of 5,300 ft. above sea level and the water is cold. So, any borderline swimmers should be classed in the classification below. **The aquatic staff also may retest a person if they feel this is necessary.**

Dining at Camp Chawanakee

Breakfast and dinners are served cafeteria style in the Dining Hall each day. Please do your best to be on-time for your shift, with clean hands. The Friday dinner is a B.B.Q. meal served outside. At the Sunday tour you will be assigned a table(s) and given details for clean-up. Each table accommodates eight people. Units are asked to invite a staff member to join them if there is an open seat. Milk is available at breakfast and dinner.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday lunches are cooked in the campsites. Charcoal is provided in one of five charcoal stations placed around camp. Monday and Friday are no-cook lunches.

Dining Stewards can pick-up the lunch bins each day at the back of the kitchen loading dock after the morning merit badge sessions. The lunch boxes are prepared to feed ten people. The unit should bring tools to cook/prepare these meals. The lunch boxes are to be returned after each lunch, clean and empty. The pitchers are to be stored in your campsite and returned on Friday with your final lunch box.

Non-perishable foods may be properly stored at your campsite for in-between meals or late-night snacks. All trash and opened or perishable foods should be placed in the trash container. Ice for coolers is available behind the dining hall. Ice for consumption is available inside the dining hall. Please ask a kitchen staff member for assistance.

Meal Prices

If you have a guest, they can purchase meal tickets at the Trading Post. Breakfast and lunch are \$7.00 and dinner is \$10.00. Children age 5 and younger eat for free.

Friday Barbecue:

Camp Chawanakee Friday dinner is a BBQ for youth and leaders. Families and other guests are invited. Guests may pay at the Trading Post. Youth and leaders **MUST** bring their own eating utensils, including cup, plate, fork, spoon, and, knife. Guests will get a meal packet, which includes eating utensils and plate and cup. You will pick this up at the trading post once you have paid for the BBQ.

Special meals:

Camp Chawanakee accommodates vegan, vegetarian & gluten free diets on a routine basis. Campers requiring other or religious dietary meals need to contact the camp director at time of registration and a minimum one month prior to arrival. You may wish to bring food/meals for your needs. We will store these for you at the dining hall. Allergies must be indicated at time of camp registration.

Fires:

Use only the designated campfire circle in the traditional campsites to build fires. Fire control tools are located at each campsite. Smoking is prohibited in any area of camp except for the dumpster pad behind the dining hall. One must be 21 or older to smoke. No fireworks in camp. New fire pits may not be constructed in the patrol sites. Campsite fires must be kept small. Flames should be no higher than **two** feet.

Your Patrol Site:

Patrol site equipment consists of on average four two-person tents, eight cots, eight mattresses, one stand-alone BBQ and one picnic table. It is recommended that units bring their own dining canopies. Garbage cans will be strategically placed for easy access by patrol sites. Full garbage cans should be tied, removed from the can and placed by the road each afternoon free time for pick up. Do not put charcoal or campfire ashes in the trashcans. **Individuals who damage Camp property can be charged an amount to repair and/or replace that property.** The cost of a new camp tent is \$500 and the frame that supports it is another \$700.

Adult Leadership, Activities, and Programs

Medical Support:

A first aid trained staff (camp staff member – camp health officer) is present at camp to treat medical emergencies and handle minor problems. Arrangements have been made with a local doctor and hospital for treatment of emergency cases. Medications must be kept in a locked container. You must bring your own locking container. *Adult leaders are responsible for making sure youth receive and log the proper medication at the proper times.* If you are a medical professional, please identify yourself to camp management for emergency purposes. For those adults who need to use a CPAP machine, there is no electricity at any of the campsites, please bring your own power source.



Commissioner Service:

Commissioners are one of the key ingredients for the unit to have an outstanding week. Any needs, concerns and/or suggestions should be directed to your commissioner. Campsites will be inspected by your commissioner daily. Campsite inspection scores are a key component to determining who wins the coveted “thumb-stick” award. The Council has a limited number of paid Commissioner spots for each week. If you want to volunteer to help you need to contact the Fresno Scout Office and talk to our camping department.

Adult Features:

We do have limited internet WIFI available for adults at the training center from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm each day. For adults we have the following:

Safe Swim Defense
Safety Afloat
Climb on Safely
Leave No Trace 101
Trek Safely
Mountain Boarding
COPE

Golf tournament
Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
Mountain Biking
Tomahawk & Knife Throwing
Black Powder
CPR & AED

Afternoon Activities

If you think camp is only for youth than you will be pleasantly surprised. We offer competitive games to help you have fun and show off your skills.

Bocce Ball and GaGa Pit:

Test your lawn bowling skills Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 pm at the volleyball courts. You can also check out the set from the office and play when you want to as well. The Ga Ga Pit is always open.

Volleyball:

Feel free to schedule a match against another troop or if you feel daring enough against the camp staff.

C.O.P.E.:

C.O.P.E. (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience), is held during free time Wednesday's and Thursday's. Through games and physical challenges, you learn the importance of working together while at the same time learning of your potential.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills:

Schedule:

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45 AM					Climb on Safely @ The Wall
9:00 AM		CPR Training @Training Center 9-11:30	Flag Etiquette @ Training Center		
9:30 AM				Dutch Oven Cooking	Wrap Up Session @ Training Center
2:15 PM	Outdoor Ethics /LNT 101 @ Training Center	Woods Tools & Finding Your Way @ Scoutcraft	ADULT COPE & IOLS Makeup Sessions	ADULT COPE & IOLS Makeup Sessions	
3:15 PM	Ropes @ Scoutcraft	Cooking @ Scoutcraft	Plant & Animal ID/Nature Hike@ Training Center	Fire Site Preparation & Campsite Selection @ Scoutcraft	
7:00 PM	Safe Swim Defense & Safety Afloat @Water Front Pavilion	Lifesaving First Aid and CPR II @ Training Center	Trek Safely / Packing & Hiking Techniques @ Training Center 7:30 PM (after Vespers)		
8:00 PM	Lifesaving First Aid & CPR @ Training Center				

To be certified as having completed the Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills the leader must at the end of the week present documentation that all required training sessions have been attended.

Trading Post:

The Trading Post carries camping supplies, camp souvenirs, snacks and drinks, for the needs of youth during their week at camp. Remember that certain merit badges do require the purchase of supplies (See merit badge listings). Merit badge advancement items are available including pamphlets, handbooks, kits, and shooting tickets. It is suggested that \$75.00 to \$100.00 should meet the needs of most campers.

Telephones:

CAMP PHONE NUMBERS

SUMMER CAMP RESERVATIONS..... (559) 320-2100 Off Season (559) 841-2117 Summer Time 6/7-8/1

CAMP OFFICE..... (559) 841-2117

FRESNO OFFICE..... (559) 320-2100

CELL PHONE COVERAGE:

With the exception of inside certain buildings like the Dining Hall and Training Center we have found ATT, Verizon and Google Fi all have good cell coverage up at camp.



Mail:

Letters or postcards can take anywhere from two to five ***extra days to*** get to camp. Address your mail in the following manner (**be sure to include unit number, session, and campsite**) also be sure parents are aware of this information, so they can write their youth at camp. When mail is received at camp it is sorted into boxes for each campsite in the office. It is up to the units to come by daily and check for mail in the afternoon. Any mail that isn't picked up will be put in the unit's check out packet at the end of the week. If mail comes after your stay at camp is over we will return it to the sender. **It is suggested that you print a copy of this page and distribute it to all parents prior to leaving for camp.**

If you are sending through the US post office please use this address:

Your Name Your Address Your City, State, Zip	Place Stamp Here
Scout's Name, Unit Number, Session, and Campsite C/O Camp Chawanakee Shaver Lake, CA 93664	

If you are sending a package through UPS or Fed Ex please use this address:

Your Name Your Address Your City, State, Zip	Place Stamp Here
Scout's Name, Unit Number, Session, and Campsite 43485 Dinkey Creek Road Shaver Lake, CA 93664	

What to Bring to Camp

Uniforms:

We encourage your youth to wear full uniform for evening flag ceremonies each day, as well as the closing campfire. Youth should arrive and leave camp in full uniform. We do not mandate a unit wear the official uniform as it is the unit's decision to make.

Troop/Crew Gear to Bring to Camp:

Unit flag, US flag, Patrol flag, Patrol cook kit (pot or kettle, spatula, tongs, frying pan, ice chest, charcoal chimney) and a small shovel. You can request an American Flag for your unit to perform your own flag retirement ceremony. We suggest you bring a water cooler for your camp site for easy access to more drinking water. **A pop up for shade would be a good item to bring for your tables.**

Personal Gear to Bring to Camp:

The weather at Camp Chawanakee for most of the summer is sunny and warm. It can be cooler in the early morning and evenings so **Be Prepared** for all kinds of weather including cold and rain. Pack appropriate clothing for the season, outdoor essentials, extra shoes/boots (closed toed recommended), a pack (a back pack is suggested), sleeping bag, pillow, foam pad or air mattress (we

do provide a bunk and mattress), ground cloth, eating kit (spoon, fork, knife, plate, bowl, and a cup) is a must have for lunches and the Friday BBQ, toiletries (soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, comb/brush, wash cloth, towel), full uniform (Field and Activity).

Personal Extras:

Watch, camera, insect repellent, sunglasses, binoculars, OA sash, fishing pole and tackle, swim suit, water shoes. Anyone 16 years of age or older requires a valid California Fishing License. Camp Chawanakee does not sell fishing licenses. You will need to go into the town of Shaver to purchase one.

What Not to Bring:

Personal firearms, ammunition, personal archery equipment, slingshots, wrist-rockets, fireworks, alcohol, illegal drugs, ATVs, motorized dirt bikes, personal watercraft (that has not been cleared with the camp director ahead of time) and pets except service animals. Marijuana is not allowed in any form in Scouting.



2020 Schedule

Sunday

1:00 pm-	4:00 pm	Check In
5:00 pm-	5:30 pm	Leader/Youth Leader Meeting @ Chapel
6:00 pm-	6:45 pm	Dinner Shift 1
6:45 pm-	7:00 pm	Evening Flags
7:00 pm-	7:45 pm	Dinner Shift 2
8:45 pm-	9:45pm	Opening Campfire
10:00 pm-	6:00 am	Quiet Time

Monday-Friday

6:30 am-	7:15 am	Breakfast Shift 1
7:30 am-	7:45 am	Flag Raising
7:45 am-	8:30 am	Breakfast Shift 2
8:45 am-	9:25 am	Merit Badge Period 1
9:30 am-	10:20 am	Merit Badge Period 2
10:30 am-	11:20 am	Merit Badge Period 3
11:30 am-	12:30 pm	Merit Badge Period 4
12:30 pm-	2:00 pm	Lunch and Patrol Time
1:45 pm-	2:15 pm	YOUTH LEADER Meeting at the Waterfront Pavilion
2:15 pm-	4:30 pm	Open Time
5:00 pm-	5:45 pm	Dinner Shift 1
5:45 pm-	6:00 pm	Evening Flags
6:00 pm-	6:45 pm	Dinner Shift 2
7:00 pm-	8:00 pm	Open Time
8:45 pm-	9:45 pm	Evening Activities
10:00 pm-	6:00 am	Quiet Time

Friday Schedule

10:00 am-	10:30 am	Adult Leader Meeting @ Trading Post
2:30 pm-	4:15 pm	Blue Card Pick up @ Camp Office
5:00 pm-	5:15 pm	Evening Flags
5:15 pm		Dinner - Camp wide BBQ
7:00 pm-	8:00 pm	Blue Card Q&A @ Dining Hall
8:45 pm-	9:45pm	Closing Campfire

Saturday

6:00 am-	8:00 am	Open Breakfast
7:30 am-	7:45 am	Flag Raising
6:00 am-	9:00 am	Check Out

Camp Chawanakee Special Events and Training Schedule

Sunday

5:00pm Adult Leader/YOUTH LEADER meeting @ Chapel
 8:45 pm Opening Campfire (Point Campfire)

Monday

10:00 am Optional Adult Leader Meeting (Dining Hall)
 2:15 pm Outdoor Ethics/LNT 101 (Training Center)
 3:15 pm Ropes (Scoutcraft)
 7:00 pm Safe Swim Defense/Safety Afloat (Waterfront)
 8:00 pm Lifesaving First Aid & CPR (Training Center)

Tuesday

6:00:32 am Polar Bear Swim (Waterfront)
 9:00 am CPR / AED (Dining Hall)
 10:00 am Optional Adult Leader Meeting (Dining Hall)
 12:30 pm Adult Leader Meeting (Dining Hall)
 2:15 pm Woods Tools @ Finding your way (Scoutcraft)
 3:15 pm Cooking (Scoutcraft)
 7:00 pm Lifesaving First Aid and CPR II (Training Center)
 8:45 pm Commissioners' Campfire (Point Campfires)

Wednesday

6:00:32 am Polar Bear Swim (Waterfront)
 9:00 am Flag Etiquette (Training Center)
 10:00 am Optional Adult Leader Meeting (Dining Hall)
 2:00 pm Adult Cope and IOLS Make up Sessions
 3:00 pm Bocce Ball Tournament (Volleyball Court)
 3:15 pm Plant & Animal ID/Nature Hike (Training Center)
 7:00 pm Vespers (Chapel)
 7:30 pm Trek Safely/Packing & Hiking Techniques (Training Center)

Thursday

6:00:32 am Polar Bear Swim (Waterfront)
 6:00 am Chieftain Run (Meet at Trading Post)
 9:00 am Dutch Oven Cooking
 10:00 am Optional Adult Leader Meeting (Dining Hall)
 10:00 am Chawanakee Open (Trading Post)
 2:15 pm Adult Cope and IOLS Make up Sessions
 3:15 pm Fire Site Preparation & Campsite Selection (Scoutcraft)
 7:00 pm OA Fellowship (Waterfront Pavilion)
 8:45 pm Tribe of Chawanakee Campfire (Point Campfire)

OA Thursday

Friday

6:00:32 am Polar Bear Swim (Waterfront)
 8:45 am Climb on Safely (Climbing Wall)
 9:30 am Wrap up Session (Training Center)
 10:00 am Adult Leader Meeting (Meet at Trading Post)
 1:45 pm Chawanadayze Kick-Off (Waterfront)
 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm Chawanadayze Competition
 2:30 pm Merit Badge Blue Card Pick-Up (Office)
 5:15 pm Camp Wide B.B.Q. Dinner (B.B.Q. Area)
 7:00 pm Merit Badge Blue Card Discussion (Dining Hall)
 8:45 pm Closing Campfire (Point Campfire)

Aloha Friday!

Merit Badge Program:

The Council uses the www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee website to help units with merit badges. You will be able to sign up youth/adults for classes in late March. You will have to have your March payment receipted in the Fresno Office. Certain classes have size restrictions. Classes are filled on a first come first serve basis.

Open Time

Afternoon (2:15pm - 4:45pm) and Evening Open Time (7:00pm - 8:00pm) are times campers can experience program areas in an open format. Every program area (except for COPE and Climbing) will be open. Youth can work on merit badge requirements or just have fun.

Blue Cards

Camp Chawanakee uses blue cards to keep track of progress in a merit badge. Each youth who is working on merit badges should have a fully filled out blue card to give to their merit badge counselor the first day of camp. If you do not have a filled out blue card your first day you will not be turned away from the class, just be sure to bring it in before the end of the week. Camp will have some blue cards on hand. At the end of the week we will return the all the blue cards to the adult leaders at the camp office on Friday afternoon at 2PM. You will have the rest of the afternoon to go over the blue cards and make sure you have them all. If there are any questions either about lost cards or why a card may not be completed, your adults can come to the Camp Dining Hall Porch at 7PM on Friday to talk with the area directors. Each program area has posted rosters for each merit badge so check up on your youth to make sure they are completing requirements during the week.

If you get home from camp and find that there was a problem with a blue card contact Sequoia Council office and request a replacement blue card be mailed to you. This goes for any past summers as well. Let us know the youths name, unit, council, what week they attended, what merit badge you need and your mailing address.

Registration Cut Off and changing classes at camp

Each week of camp will be closed off Thursday midnight before you come to camp so that we can get the rosters for the next week. Once this happens you won't be able to change any more classes online. If a youth decides they want to change a class, they can do so. When adding a new class on site your youth is required to talk to the counselor and let them know they want to add the class. The switch will be dependent on the available class size roster.

Class Pre-Requisites:

See the listing. Your youth can show completion of pre-requisites by bringing a blue card already signed off by another counselor, bringing the work they did to show the counselor at camp or by having a note signed by their leader confirming they have completed the class pre-requisites.

Cost:

Certain merit badges have costs that are over and above those covered by the basic camp fee. Make sure youth are prepared to cover any costs of their desired merit badges.

Period Taught:

This refers to the period during the day that a merit badge is taught. (Note, some merit badges require more than one period to complete.)

What about overnights?

We have a scheduled overnighter for Wilderness Survival. The youth should check in with their counselor to find out when it's scheduled.

Welding:

If your youth signs up for the Welding Merit Badge they need to bring jeans or non-synthetic long pants.

Camping, Cooking, and Forestry Merit Badges

These Merit Badges because of complexity of requirements do not work well with the Camp Chawanakee Merit Badge Class structure.

If a Scout has partially completed one of these Merit Badges they may work with Scout Craft (Camping & Cooking) or Environmental (Forestry) staff during the free time period to complete remaining instruction based requirements. For Scouts to participate in this activity they will need to present the partial Merit Badge Card prior to further instruction being provided.



Merit Badge Class Listings

The Merit Badge List will be available in early 2020.

First Year Camper Program

Periods 1 through 4 Location: Varies depending on the day

Adults are strongly encouraged to accompany their Scouts/Venturers to this program area. New or younger Scouts/Venturers along with their adult leaders will receive an opportunity to learn the skills needed to achieve the rank of First Class. They will work together on a variety of activities and skills including nature, hiking, orienteering, pioneering, first aid, and more. Recording advancement for Ranks First Class and below are handled entirely at the Troop level. You do not get a blue card for First Year Camp. Scouts will be able to also work First Year Camper Program requirements during free time and open time at various program areas. Days and times will be announced in class.

Campfires and Special Programs and Events

Unit Campfires

Your unit can have a campfire in your campsite during the week. You can use any downed wood that you find at camp.

Opening Campfire:

Start your week off right on Sunday night when our staff puts on the opening campfire for your entertainment and enjoyment. Please line up by the point campfire bowl.

Tribe of Chawanakee Campfire:

On Thursday night the spirit of the Native Americans who inhabited this land when Camp Chawanakee was just a dream, will come out to induct new members into the tribe and to advance in rank those who have returned. The highlight of this campfire is the reading of the legend followed by an induction ceremony for the Tribe Honor to which you are advancing. The evening ends with all the Tribe members listening to the sage advice of the mighty Sachem. Members must either have completed their service hours prior to this campfire or promise on their honor they will have them done before leaving camp. Adults are encouraged to participate too!

Closing Campfire:

Friday evening at the Point Campfire Bowl there will be a variety show to remember and you provide the songs and skits. That's right, units and youth are the main attraction here so plan to participate. There is often a Flag Retirement Ceremony.

Aloha Friday:

Wrap up the week with a BBQ. Make sure to bring plenty of items to decorate yourself and your campsite in the true Aloha spirit!

Chawanadayze:

Chawanadayze is our exciting fast paced camp wide games! After our opening ceremonies at the waterfront, units will break up into their patrols and compete in competitions that will test leadership and skills. Awards will be presented, on a Patrol basis, for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in individual events. Leaders are invited to the rifle range to try their hand at Black Powder Shooting, shotgun range or you may want to find your way to the climbing wall - 52 feet of vertical fun.

Mile Swim:

Pre-requisite: Pass Swimmer Test, Endurance, and Prep Sessions
Optional Cost: \$3.00 (Purchase patch at the Camp Trading Post)
Time Held: TBA
Location: Waterfront

This test of strength and endurance is a four-day event. To adjust to the altitude of Chawanakee participants will be required to swim increments building up to the full mile. All must be successful on each preceding leg to advance to the next. Each leg MUST be accomplished on different days. Each swimmer will be required to provide a skilled rower and spotter to ensure their safety and success. Only one swimmer per boat is allowed.

B.S.A. Lifeguard:

Pre-requisite: Pass Swimmer Test, Swimming Merit Badge, First Aid Merit Badge, Proof of C.P.R. (or obtain later) Certification for professional rescuer, advanced first aid and 15 years old or older.
Adults must have equivalent skills to merit badges.
Cost: \$50.00 (Purchase ticket at the Camp Trading Post)
Cost includes required CPR & Advanced First Aid Training & Certification
Merit Badge Period Held: 1 through 4 plus Free Time.
Location: Waterfront
CPR & First Aid Training Monday & Tuesday Eve 6:30 – 9:30 PM
CPR Training Location: Camp Training Center

A BSA Lifeguard can be a vital part for unit outings. Our staff will help show your future lifeguards the proper techniques on how to keep a safe waterfront. A requirement is to be a strong and responsible swimmer age 15 and older. Adults are welcome to participate. B.S.A. Lifeguard is a two-year certification.

COPE:

Pre-requisite: age 13 and older
Cost: None
Periods 1-2, 3-4 Mon-Thursday
Location: Camp COPE & Climbing Wall

Polar Bear Swim:

Pre-requisite: Getting Up Early and “Cold Tolerance”!
Optional Cost: \$3.00 (Purchase patch at the Camp Trading Post)
Location: Waterfront

As you and the birds awaken in the early morning you will see the steam rising off Shaver Lake. All the brave souls in camp will meet at the waterfront and swim in sub-arctic waters. Don't worry we won't let such bravery go un-rewarded.

Chieftain Run:

Youth and Adults will wake early to take a jog at 6:00 AM on Thursday. Show your strength and ambition and join us for the Chieftain Run!

Iron Bear:

The Iron Bear takes the Chieftain Run course to the next level, right after you complete the Chieftain run, then plunge into the lake for a Polar Bear Swim! This is a test for the truly strong with iron wills!

Adult CPR & AED Training:

Each Tuesday AM (9:00 – 11:30 AM) at the Training Center there will be Adult CPR Training. The Training is certified by ECSI. The cost is \$25 paid at the Trading Post. This training does not meet the requirements for BSA Lifeguard certification. The Lifesaving First Aid and CPR class is held each Monday at 8:00 PM and Tuesday at 7:00 PM at the Training Center.

<https://www.ecsinstitute.org/aboutus/aboutus.aspx>



Nature Trail:

This self-guided tour takes you through the beautiful meadow of Chawanakee. Along the trail you will find signs that will explain the flora and fauna that can be seen throughout camp. If you have any questions, ask the nature area staff.

Fishing:

Measure your fish either caught or “catch and release.” The longest fish (or photo with ruler) each week wins a gift card and the longest fish of the season earns a free camp registration for next summer (nontransferable)! This competition is a youth only competition. Youth age 16 and older require a valid California Fishing License.

Canoe Outpost:

Sign up with Commissioner at YOUTH LEADER meeting
Pre-requisite: For Canoe- Pass Swimmer Test
For Rowboat- Arrange with Commissioner
Optional Cost: \$3.00 (Purchase patch at the Camp Trading Post)
Launch Times: Meet at waterfront 7:00 PM

Deadline for all Canoe outpost launches is 7:30pm – no one will be allowed out past this time

The Canoe Outpost is a chance to get out of camp and see what is on the other side of beautiful Shaver Lake. Participants can paddle or row across the lake and camp under the stars. A cracker barrel will be provided. While on the other side, you can spend an evening enjoying leisure activities such as fishing, practicing your skills or just have a good ol’ campfire. Two Deep Leadership is required for the Canoe Outpost. Canoe Outpost is subject to weather conditions. Sorry, swimming is not allowed. You

will need to bring your own sleeping bag, ground cloth, mat and water. **You will need to provide your own waterproof or dry sac bag. There will be a select variety of these for sale in the trading post or purchase a garbage bag at trading post.** Please clean up your litter at Canoe Outpost.



Mountain Bikes:

We allow personal bikes in Camp. Everyone must wear a helmet, shoes and eye protection. Please use caution while riding your bike in camp. We no longer provide bikes to campers.

Mountain Boarding:

2:15 PM to 4:00 PM (except Friday) outside of the camp office. No age requirement. All padding and safety equipment will be provided.



Special Awards and Recognition

Pioneer Hiker:

This honor is bestowed upon a youth that has exemplified the Scout Oath and Law. The Pioneer hike takes place after Friday's campfire. Pioneer hikers meet at the Camp Office after the Friday evening Campfire when further instructions will be given. Each unit can send one youth. Turn in the name to the Program Director at the 10:00 am Friday Leader's meeting.

Honor Troop/Crew:

An honor unit is one that adheres to the Scout Oath and Law in all their dealings. Honor units show scout spirit, have high inspection scores, use the patrol method, and participate in programs and meetings. All honor units will be recognized at the closing campfire. Turn in Honor Unit paper work to the Head Commissioner at the Friday 1:45 PM YOUTH LEADER meeting. The requirements for the Honor Unit Program are at the end of this leader guide.

Spirited Arrow Award:

The purpose of the Spirited Arrow award is to encourage Scout Spirit. The unit with the most enthusiasm and always doing their best will be given this award. Judgment will be based on Patrols having flags, patrol yells, doing good turns and youth simply doing their best to take pride in Scouting, but most of all, HAVING FUN!

Thumbsticks:

Each evening, the commissioner will each give out a special award known as a thumbstick. Thumbstick winners will keep and add to the thumbstick until the next evening's flags, where it will be returned to the commissioner. At the end of the week, one unit will take home the thumbstick. The additions to the thumbstick should not make it larger than your smallest youth can carry.

Tribe of Chawanakee

The Tribe of Chawanakee is Camp Chawanakee's honor service organization. Initial tribe patch is purchased at trading post. Segments are awarded at no cost. This program is designed to recognize Youth and Adults who exemplify Chawanakee's ideals. All Youth and Adults who attend camp are eligible for membership. On Thursday night, all the hard work from the week will culminate in a ceremony and campfire. The segments that go around the patch are given to you at checkout. If you want to receive your segments you must turn in your tribe roster by Friday to allow time to sort out all the segments. The ranks and corresponding requirements are:

Hunter: 1) One summer at Camp Chawanakee
 2) One hour of work on service projects

Warrior: 1) Earned Hunter
 2) Two summers at Camp Chawanakee
 3) Two hours of work on service projects

Chief: 1) Earned Warrior
 2) Three summers at Camp Chawanakee
 3) Three hours of work on service projects

Medicine Man: 1) Earned Chief
 2) Four summers at Camp Chawanakee
 3) Four hours of work on service projects

Sachem: 1) Earned Medicine Man
 2) Five summers at Camp Chawanakee
 3) Plan, organize, and complete an approved service project or complete 5 hours of service. (Please contact the Camp commissioner for assistance by Wednesday at 12:00 PM.)

UNIT DUTY ROSTER

Unit # _____

YOUTH LEADER _____

Monday:

Breakfast Steward(s) _____
Lunch Steward(s) _____
Dinner Steward(s) _____
Clean Shower/Latrines _____
Other _____

Tuesday:

Breakfast Steward(s) _____
Lunch Steward(s) _____
Dinner Steward(s) _____
Clean Shower/Latrines _____
Other _____

Wednesday

Breakfast Steward(s) _____
Lunch Steward(s) _____
Dinner Steward(s) _____
Clean Shower/Latrines _____
Other _____

Thursday:

Breakfast Steward(s) _____
Lunch Steward(s) _____
Dinner Steward(s) _____
Clean Shower/Latrines _____
Other _____

Friday:

Breakfast Steward(s) _____
Lunch Steward(s) _____
Dinner Steward(s) _____
Clean Shower/Latrines _____
Other _____

FIRE PLAN

Fire Bell:

The fire bells are located at the training center and on the rock behind the parade area by the Trading Post. The fire bell will be rung in the event of an emergency that may require either a full camp head count, and/or evacuation. I.E. Fire, lost swimmer, lost person, etc.

Drivers of vehicles should carry vehicle keys on their person in case of emergency.

What to do when the fire bell rings:

Immediately, quietly and quickly (without running) take the most direct and safe route to the waterfront. Once there, line up by unit with the youth leader at the front of the line. The youth leader will quietly take a head count of all and wait for a staff member to do roll call. Upon being called, the youth leader will report whether anyone from the unit is missing. Units will remain lined up and quiet until further instructions are given.

What to do if you encounter an out of control fire:

Do not attempt to put out the fire yourself! Take the most immediate and safest route to a fire bell, contact the Camp Director and begin to ring it loudly. Continue to ring the bell until a staff member relieves you.

HONOR UNIT CRITERIA

Unit # _____ Council _____

Campsite _____ Week _____

An Honor Unit is one that adheres to the Scout Oath and Law in all their dealings.

Honor Unit Must:

Leader Initials/Date

- _____ 1. Show Scout Spirit at all camp functions and adhere to the Scout Oath and Law.
- _____ 2. Participate in all camp wide events. (i.e. campfires, Chawanadayze, etc.)
- _____ 3. Maintain a tidy and safe campsite.
- _____ 4. Participate in a camp service project. (Tribe hours count)
- _____ 5. Organize and hold at least one youth leader meeting during the week.
- _____ 6. Attend all scheduled leader and YOUTH LEADER meetings. (5:00 pm on Sunday, adult leader Meetings are 12:30 pm Tuesday and 10:00 am Friday, YOUTH LEADER meetings are 1:45 pm Monday-Friday)
- _____ 7. Attend and be on time to all flag ceremonies.
- _____ 8. Do not put holes in the camp tents.
- _____ 9. Participate in an inter-unit campfire or activity during the week.
- _____ 10. Do ONE of the following:
 - 100% of the unit advances one rank in the Tribe of Chawanakee
 - Unit attends Vespers (7:00 pm Tuesday at the Chapel)
 - Unit participates in a camp Flag Raising or Lowering or Retirement ceremony (YOUTH LEADER can sign up at the YOUTH LEADER meetings)
- _____ 11. Invite a camp staff member to participate in a unit activity.
Name of staff member _____

Camp Commissioner will determine completion of the requirements and will recognize the Honor Units at the closing campfire on Friday night.

Campsite Inspection Sheet

Note: New for 2020 latrines and shower cleanup are linked to campsites for cleanup, see notices in latrines & showers

Unit # _____ Campsite _____ Commissioner: _____

Inspections will be completed each day between 9:00 AM and 12:00PM (NOON)

ARRANGEMENT OF CAMP: (22 pts.)	M	T	W	TH	F
U.S. Flag flying at entry	3	3	3	3	3
Unit Flag flying at entry	3	3	3	3	3
Proper placement of large fire bucket nearby campfire ring w/ water	4	4	4	4	4
Small fire buckets nearby tents (one w/ water, one w/ dirt)	4	4	4	4	4
Ax yard well defined, all tools in sheaths	3	3	3	3	3
"NO FLAMES IN TENTS" posted on any <i>personal</i> tents	4	4	4	4	4
Defined entrance to unit's tents	1	1	1	1	1
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NEATNESS OF TENTS: (13 pts.)					
Platform tents in good repair, open and properly secured	3	3	3	3	3
Bedding and personal gear neatly stored in tents	3	3	3	3	3
Tents are swept clean and generally in neat condition	3	3	3	3	3
Tents are free of new unmarked holes	4	4	4	4	4
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OVERALL CLEANLINESS OF SITE(S): (36 pts.)					
Proper disposal of garbage in cans	4	4	4	4	4
Full garbage cans/bags placed near road	2	2	2	2	2
No food particles next to water spigot	3	3	3	3	3
Proper storage of equipment/food	3	3	3	3	3
Fires out or properly attended (Barbecues included)	3	3	3	3	3
Site free of litter	1	1	1	1	1
Latrines in clean condition	10	10	10	10	10
Showers in clean condition	10	10	10	10	10
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BULLETIN BOARD: (15 pts.)					
Duty Roster	2	2	2	2	2
Unit Fireguard Plan and Camp Fire Plan	2	2	2	2	2
Campsite Inspection Form	2	2	2	2	2
Unit Merit Badge Sign-up	2	2	2	2	2
Camp Schedule	2	2	2	2	2
Camp Map	2	2	2	2	2
Camp Special Events Schedule with unit activities added	2	2	2	2	2
Camp Meal Times	1	1	1	1	1
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CAMP IMPROVEMENTS: (12 pts.)					
New Pioneering Project or camp gadget each day. Bring own rope 10 pts. are only recommended, the scaling could be higher	12	12	12	12	12
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SPIRIT: (15 pts.)					
Cooperation, quietness after taps, example set for all, on time at flags.	15	15	15	15	15
Campsite Commissioners will judge behavior, willingness to follow YOUTH LEADER 15 pts. are only recommended, the scaling could be higher	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Total:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

SCORING: 100+ Excellent! 90-99 Good 80-89 Fair 70-79 Needs Improvement 0-69 Unsatisfactory

TRIBE OF CHAWANAKEE ROSTER

Tribe Ranks

- 1st Year Hunter
- 2nd Year Warrior
- 3rd Year Chief
- 4th Year Medicine Man
- 5th Year Sachem

Unit: _____

Week: _____

Campsite

	Name (Please Print)	Tribe Rank Completed					Spirit	Service	Location of
		H	W	C	MM	S	Yes / No	Hours	Service
1									
2									
3									
4									
5									
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22									
23									
24									
25									
Total Ranks									

Unit Swim Classification Record

This is the individual's swim classification as of this date. Any change in status after this date (i.e., non-swimmer to beginner or beginner to swimmer) would require a reclassification test performed by an approved test administrator. Changes and corrections to the following chart should be initialed and dated by the test administrator.

SPECIAL NOTE: When swim tests are conducted away from camp, the camp aquatics director retains the right to review or retest any or all participants to ensure that standards have been maintained.

Unit Number _____ Date of Swim Test _____

	Full Name (Print) (Draw lines through blank spaces.)	Medical Recheck	Swim Classification		
			Non swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
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7					
8					
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10					
11					
12					
13					
14					
15					

NAME OF PERSON CONDUCTING THE TEST:

Print Name

Signature

Qualification

Council/Agency (Red Cross, YMCA, etc.)

UNIT LEADER:

Print Name

Signature

SWIM CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURES

The swim classification of individuals participating in a Boy Scouts of America activity is a key element in both Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. **The swim classification tests should be renewed annually, preferably at the beginning of each outdoor season.**

Traditionally, the swim classification test has only been conducted at a long-term summer camp. However, there is no restriction that this be the only place the test can be conducted. It may be more useful to conduct the swim classification prior to a unit going to summer camp.

All persons participating in BSA aquatics are classified according to swimming ability. The classification tests and test procedures have been developed and structured to demonstrate a skill level consistent with the circumstances in which the individual will be in the water (e.g., the swimmer's test demonstrates the minimum level of swimming ability for recreational and instructional activity in a confined body of water with a maximum 12-foot depth).

In March we will mail each unit their buddy tags to fill out before arriving at camp.

The various components of each test evaluate the several skills essential to the minimum level of swimming ability. Each step of the test is important and should be followed as listed below:

SWIMMER'S TEST:

Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming. Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: sidestroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting backstroke. The 100 yards must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

BEGINNER'S TEST:

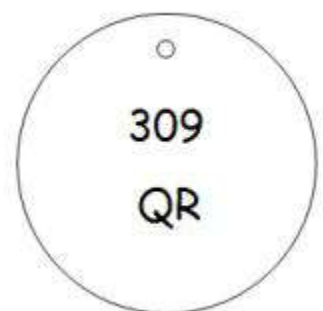
Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, swim 25 feet on the surface, stop, turn sharply, resume swimming as before, and return to starting place.

Beginners (red on top):

- ✓ Jump into deep water.
- ✓ Swim 25 feet.
- ✓ Turn.
- ✓ Return.
- ✓ Total: **50 feet** with entry and turn

Swimmers (red on top blue on bottom):

- ✓ Jump into deep water.
- ✓ Swim 75 yards with strong forward stroke.
- ✓ Swim 25 yards with restful backstroke.
- ✓ Rest by floating.
- ✓ Total: **100 yards** with entry and turn



Properly filling out a buddy tag:

The swimmer's name is put on the front in the middle section. On the backside is written their Unit Number, Campsite and week #.

- **Non-Swimmer** (did not pass to the Beginner level): Buddy Tag left without color
- **Beginner** (passed Beginner level but did not complete full swim test or did not complete test to the satisfaction of the test administrator): Color the top half circle with a red permanent marker.

- **Swimmer** (satisfactorily completed the full swim test): Color the top half circle with a red permanent marker and color the bottom half circle with a blue permanent marker.



Cabins at Camp Chawanakee

Year-round camping is available at Camp Chawanakee. Your Scout unit or families can spend a weekend or more on beautiful Shaver Lake located at the 5,300-ft. elevation level in the central Sierra. Camp is about 1



hour east of Fresno, CA following Route 168 to Shaver Lake Village. Once at Shaver Lake Village, turn right onto Dinkey Creek Road and proceed about 1.8 miles to the Camp entrance road on your left. Take this road 1.8 miles to Camp Chawanakee. Winter conditions do vary. Some weekends the road will be passable with SUVs, cars, etc. Other weekends will require snow machines, cross country skis, snowshoes or hiking. Refunds are available for those who cannot make it into Camp due to weather conditions.

Description of Cabins:

We have 4 Cub Cabins located just south of the parking lot. These are 14' by 20' and can sleep 6 people in three bunk beds. These cabins have lights and heat. Beds have mattresses. Each cabin has a front porch. All 10 cabins as a group can sleep a total of 66+ people.

There are 6 Elkhorn Cabins located in and around the parking lot area. One is ADA compliant. The cabins are 17' by 31' and each contain a flush toilet, vanity, shower and kitchenette. Cabins have lights and heat. Beds have mattresses. Each cabin can sleep 7 to 8 people. There is a sitting area and a front porch. Cabin 7 is pet friendly.

-During the Summer only, Elkhorn Cabins 4,5&7 are available for rental to Scout families.



Reserve and Pay Online



How to Reserve Cabins:

Check online at www.seqbsa.org/camp-chawanakee//cabins and check date availability. You can reserve and pay online. Call the Fresno Scout Service Center with questions at 559-320-2100 Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Family Camp at Camp Chawanakee

For Camp Chawanakee's Family Camp to be enjoyed by all a few guidelines have been set by camp management. **Please call (559) 320-2100 for further information.**

Camp Uses:

The use of the basic Camp Chawanakee program areas in the scout portion of camp, the observation of special events, campfires and programs are available to Family Camp participants. All persons wishing to use the regular waterfront must have a physical form, signed within the last year by a licensed physician.

Reservations:

Reservations for family camp can only be made online at <https://www.seqbsa.org/family-camp/>. All reservations must be made 24 hours before you want to camp.

Fees:

Family Camp fees include the use of the reserved site, a private shower, and restroom facility. Water is available for cooking and drinking.

Refund Policy:

There are no refunds at Camp Chawanakee. For special considerations contact Sequoia Council Office at (559) 320-2100.

Occupancy :

Check out time is noon on the last day of stay, and arrival is permitted any time after noon. Limit per site is 6-10 persons or one family per night. **A maximum of two vehicles per site is permitted.** Please note that the road into camp is a dirt/gravel road.

Camping:

None of the campsites in family camp have electricity. Instead there is electricity in designated areas of family camp. These are the only areas in family camp with electricity. All other campsites do not have electricity. There are two water points of service, one in the showers and another midway down the hill. There are four other non-electric tent cabins. We do not have other types of tents available. Your tent/RV is welcome.

Family Camp during our National Youth Leadership Training week:

From June 13-21, 2020 our National Youth Leadership Training group occupies the entire Family Camp area. If you would like to camp during this week, we will do our best to accommodate you in the main part of Camp Chawanakee.

Meals:

Meals may be prepared in the campsite. Purchased meals are available at main camp.

Vehicles:

B.S.A. and Camp Chawanakee policy forbid passengers from riding in the back of trucks or trailers. Use of motorcycles in the camp area is not permitted. Motorcycles may be quietly driven out of the camp to the main road. **ATV use is strictly prohibited in any area of Camp Chawanakee.**

Bathrooms & Showers:

Toilets are pit type and there are two in family camp. There is a broom in each toilet and these should be used frequently to sweep the toilet. On occasion you may want to hose out the toilets. There are three individual and lockable showers. On occasion, you may want to use a flush toilet. You are welcome to drive into Camp Chawanakee past the parking lot and up the hill to the right of the warehouse is a staff shower and restrooms with flush toilets.

Equipment:

One table is set aside for each campsite along with a fire ring.

Beach Use:

1. Motorboats are to be beached in the grass area only.
2. Family Camp Cove is reserved for swimming, fishing (must have fishing license age 16 and above) and canoeing.
3. Boats traversing the area must obey the posted 5-mile an hour speed limit.
4. Water-Skiing may be done beyond the posted cover area.
5. **No lifeguards are on duty-Use of the water is at your own risk.**

Please Note

No alcoholic beverages and, or non-prescription drugs.

No firearms and, or fireworks.

Pets are allowed at Family Camp and must be kept on a leash at all times.

All reservations are on a first come-first serve basis.

Family Camp Reservations Form

Mail form and payment to:

Sequoia Council, B.S.A.
6005 N Tamera Ave
Fresno, CA 93711
(559) 320-2100

Or Pay Online at
<https://www.seqbsa.org/family-camp/>

***Please read Camp Guidelines before placing reservation.**

Name	
Address	
City	State / Zip
Phone (Home)	(Day)
E-Mail	

Please indicate the type of site(s) needed:

_____	Platform Cabin	\$ 47.00 per night **
_____	Space with RV hook-up (water only)	\$ 39.00 per night**
_____	Tent Area (you pitch your own tent)	\$ 25.00 per tent per night**

*** Extra tents are for those who pitch tents around the Platforms**

*** July 01 - July 05 will cost
cost \$30/Tent, \$ 55/Cabin
\$43/RV*

Dates needed:

Arrival Date (noon) _____

Departure Date (noon) _____

Payment Included:

Cost per site _____ X # of site(s) _____ X # of Night(s) _____

Grand Total Due = _____

I/We have read the Camp Guidelines and agree to abide by the rules and fees set forth there. I/We agree that all members of our party shall be notified of the Family Camp rules and shall abide by them.

SIGNED _____ DATE _____

Rules for acceptance and participation in the program are the same for everyone without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or handicap.

To ensure your reservation Please call 559-320-2100 at the Boy Scout office.

***Please list all site number you would like to reserve here**

*** For June 13 - 21 Family Camp will be used for NYLT and families can get spots at Camp Chawanakee

