

# Camp Olmsted 2024 Leader's Guide

Goshen Scout Reservation



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## A Note from your Camp Director:

Hello and thank you for choosing beautiful Camp Olmsted at Goshen Scout Reservation for your unit's 2024 summer camp experience! Your unit's week at Olmsted will surely create lasting memories for your scouts and adult leaders alike.

In the following pages you will find all the information needed to prepare your youth members and adult leaders to enjoy a successful week at Camp Olmsted and Goshen Scout Reservation, the summer home of over a thousand scouts and leaders. Whether you are an experienced Scouter or a parent helping your scout pack their bags, this guide will serve as your first reference tool and help you along the way.

Although this guide has been written to provide answers to an extensive list of potential questions that may arise about your upcoming week at Camp Olmsted, it may not necessarily satisfy all of them. You will find it helpful to also consult the Goshen Leader's Guide and other resources available for download on our website. If you have any questions you cannot find the answer to, please feel free to reach out to us; our staff and I will be sure to answer any and all questions.

If you need to contact us, the best way is via email. Our email address is [Camp.Olmsted@gotogoshen.org](mailto:Camp.Olmsted@gotogoshen.org).

Olmsted's key staff members and I will spend the coming months hiring an amazing staff and preparing for another wonderful summer. Our program, facilities, and staff will be ready to deliver on our promise to provide the best possible summer camp experience. Your leadership, coupled with our unique staff and engaging program, creates an environment ripe for accomplishing our mutual goal of enriching the next generation of young leaders. At Camp Olmsted, we believe that the foundation a Scout builds at summer camp will yield returns far into their life; and I would like to thank you for your efforts in assisting us with our mission.

We can't wait to see you at camp!

Yours in Scouting,

*Bailey Ruhl*

Camp Olmsted Camp Director  
Goshen Scout Reservation

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## Contact Information

### Cell Phones:

Verizon is the only cell service carrier that has reliable cell service at the Goshen Scout Reservation. Other carriers have little or no coverage in the area. We recommend that youth participants leave cell phones at home.

Office Phone Number:

Posted on [www.gotogoshen.org](http://www.gotogoshen.org) in June

Mailing Address:

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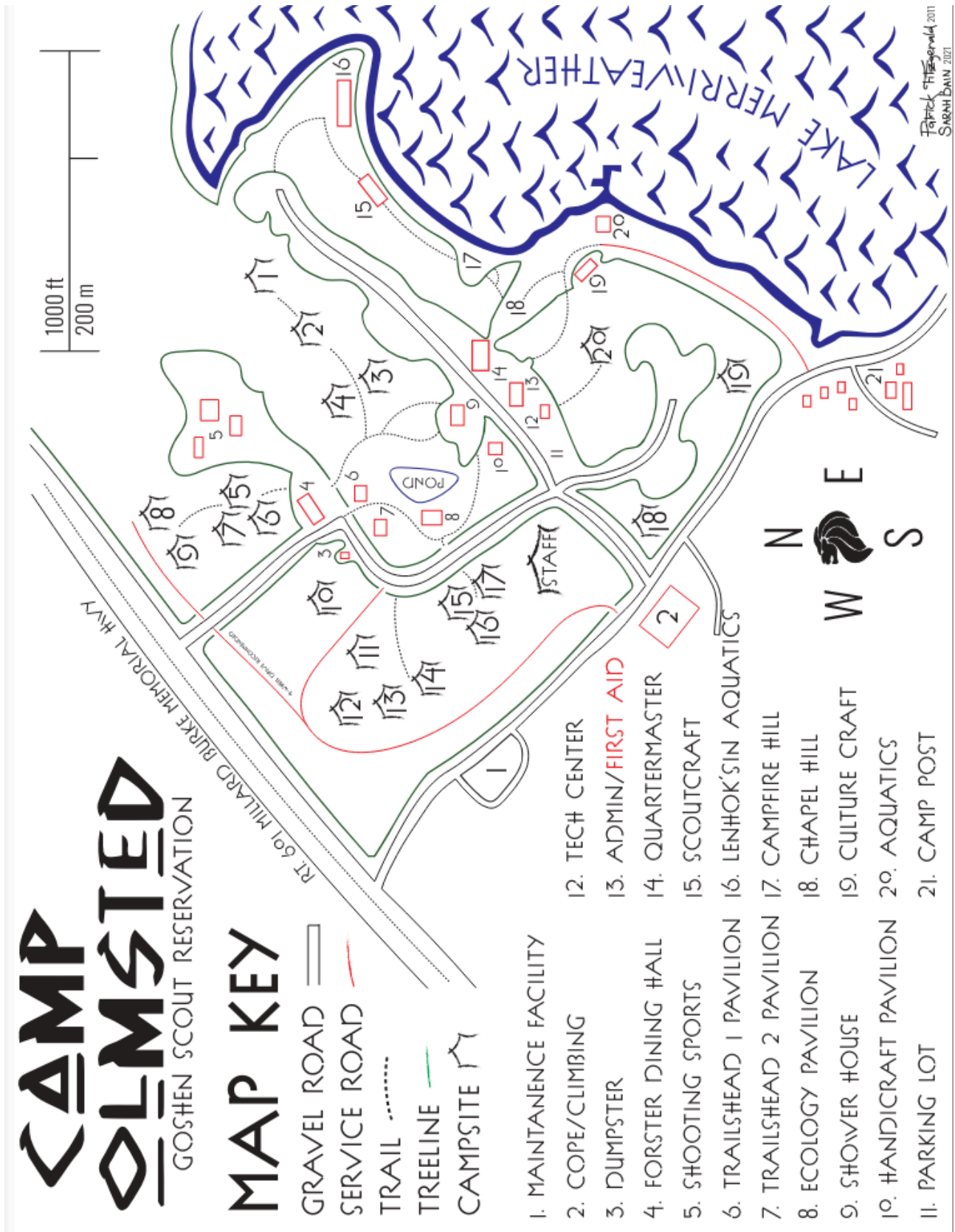
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# Camp Olmsted Map



## Pre-Camp Planning

### Camp Sites

All the campsites at Camp Olmsted are organized into what are called “troop sites”. Each troop site is conveniently located near a latrine. Within each of these sites are two or more “patrol sites” or “sub-sites.” In order for your unit to properly plan, the patrol and sub- sites at Olmsted are generally set up for 8-scout patrols. Since many units do not come with evenly distributed 8 scout patrols, sites will be set up as close to that as possible. **Be advised that smaller units may share a troop site with another unit, but there will be suitable space to allow for privacy within a unit.**

### Leader Site Equipment

Adult areas are separate from youth areas. Adults may be required to share tents with other adults of the same gender. **(If leaders are not comfortable sharing a tent with another leader, they may provide their own tent and set it up within the site. Goshen Scout Reservation does not possess the resources to allow each leader to have their own tent).**

### Parent Meetings

In the spring, it is a good idea to have a meeting with the parents of the scouts who are going to camp. This allows you to review the camp program, camp physical examination requirements, transportation arrangements, uniform requirements, and what each scout needs to bring. Many unit leaders put together guides tailored to their unit’s particular requirements based upon information contained in this guide and materials found on the council website.

### E-Check-In

Prior to your unit’s arrival, please double check on our BlackPug registration system that your numbers are correct, and everyone is registered. We will also need any dietary restrictions and your site preference to adequately prepare for your unit. The registration contact will receive an email a week before camp from the Camp Director to remind your unit to update your online registration and any last-minute changes to your scouts’ activity schedules.

## General Information

### Goshen Scout Reservation Leader Guide

The “Camp Olmsted Leader’s Guide” is a supplemental, camp specific guide to the “Goshen Scout Reservation Leader Guide.” For information regarding registration, standards of conduct, camp services, merit badge sign ups and prerequisites, Reservation Resources, and more, please review the “Goshen Scout Reservation Leader Guide,” available on the Goshen Scout Reservation Forms and Downloads webpage, <https://www.gotogoshen.org/information/forms-downloads/>.

### Sunday Arrival and Check-In

When you arrive at beautiful Camp Olmsted, your unit will be introduced to your site guide in the Parking Lot. Your site guide will take your unit to your site. The Troop will drop off gear and then head to medical checks with medical forms, wearing swimsuits for the swim check at Aquatics. Adults will receive an adult wristband at

med checks, and each participant will receive a buddy tag to bring to Aquatics. If an adult is coming to camp mid-week they need to report to the Admin building. There, they will check in and receive an adult wristband. Please see the following schedule for complete details of your Sunday arrival.

Sunday Schedule			
Time	Event	Location	Notes
10:30-11:00 am	Confirm Arrival Time	In transit	Call or text Olmsted Admin phone (Number will be available 1 week before camp)
12:00-1:00 pm	Arrival at Olmsted	Parking Lot	Site guides will greet you at the entrance, they will introduce your unit to the camp and escort the unit leader to Admin for check-in
12:30-5:30 pm	Camp Tour		Site guides will give you a walk through the layout of the Camp Olmsted campus
	Medical Checks	Handicraft / Trailshead	Times and locations assigned based upon your arrival time
	Swim Checks (optional)	Aquatics	Times assigned based upon your arrival time
6:00 pm	Flags & Dinner	Parade Field & Dining Hall	
7:15 pm	Leader's Meeting	Parade Field	Send at least one adult leader per unit
8:45 pm	Opening Campfire	Meet at admin field	Be entertained by skits and songs performed by the staff. Bring a flashlight
10:30 pm	Reservation Quiet Hours	In Campsites	Lights out and quiet for all campers

### Saturday Departure Procedures

Troops must leave by 8:00 am on Saturday morning. Once your unit is ready to depart you must send an adult to Admin to retrieve your medical forms. On Saturday morning there will be a continental breakfast offered from 6:30 to 8:00 am. If your unit would like to leave early, please talk to a member of the admin team about accommodations.

### Early Departures/Late Arrivals

Anyone—**youth or adult**—leaving Camp Olmsted must check out at the camp office and check in again upon return. Youth are not permitted to leave without direct adult or staff supervision. The camp sign in/out book must be signed. A youth is not to leave for home without their leader first clearing it with the Camp Director and the youth's parents. **Anyone arriving after the opening day of camp should proceed directly to the administration building to check in.**

## Program Offerings

### Goshen Scout Reservation Program and Prerequisite Guide

Some Merit Badges have requirements which cannot (or should not) be completed at camp. These requirements may be completed before or after camp. In order to complete these badges at camp, the scout must show evidence of completion of the prerequisites.

The Goshen Scout Reservation “Scouts BSA Program Guide and Prerequisites” provides descriptions for each Merit Badge class and prerequisite requirements. Please compare your individual camp’s Program Schedules for Merit Badge offerings. The Prerequisite Guide and Program Schedules can be found on the individual camp webpages and at <https://www.gotogoshen.org/information/forms-downloads/>.

### Merit Badge Classes

Camp Olmsted’s Merit Badge program begins Monday morning and lasts until Friday lunch. Most merit badge classes meet once a day during a 50-minute block/ Multiple sections of merit badges in high demand may be offered; there is no difference in the activity completed.

- **Morning Blocks (9:00 am - 9:50 am, 10:00 am - 10:50 am, 11:00 am - 11:50 am)**
- **Afternoon Blocks (2:00 - 3:00 pm, 3:10 pm - 4:10 pm, 4:20 - 5:00 pm)**

Shooting Sports merit badges (Archery, Rifle, and Shotgun) require two sessions per day. Archery A, Rifle A, and Shotgun A meet both from 9:00-9:50 am and from 2:00-3:00p m. Archery B, Rifle B, and Shotgun B meet both from 10:00-10:50 am and from 3:10-4:10 pm. Scouts enrolled in these programs may not schedule other merit badges during either of the two sessions.

### Merit Badge and Program Schedules

You will find schedules for our complete merit badge offerings, our TrailsHead program, and a supplemental activity schedule available as separate downloads on our website, [www.gotogoshen.org/olmsted](http://www.gotogoshen.org/olmsted).

### Trailshead - First Year Camper Program

The Trailshead program at Camp Olmsted is a well rounded experience for new scouts to enjoy. The TrailsHead program is designed for scouts who have recently registered and have an interest in working on Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class advancement requirements. TrailsHead is a half day, comprehensive program that will allow scouts to earn up to three merit badges and progress through their rank advancements.

Trailshead is broken into 2 sections, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. New scouts will only participate in 1 of these sections. During the time your scouts have selected for the Trailshead program, they will focus on a variety rank advancements from Scout Rank to First Class. Some of the skills learned are first aid, knots, and orienteering. The scouts will practice all of these skills in the program, but per Scouts BSA advancement rules, it is at the discretion of the troop leadership to officially certify successful completion of rank advancement requirements. TrailsHead scouts get the opportunity to take merit badges during the off section of time based on availability. Suggestions for merit badges for first year scouts include swimming, kayaking, chess, mammal study, art/sculpture, and Environmental Science (TH scouts are NOT limited to these badges). They should be prepared to write with pen and paper, walk on uneven terrain, and participate in aquatic activities.

## Open Program

Open programs are typically offered during designated times throughout the day. These allow campers to drop in to program areas and participate in a less structured environment.

- All areas
  - Merit badge make-up time, if Scouts need additional time to work on requirements (by appointment with instructors)
- Aquatics
  - Open Boating (not available on Thursday at 7:00 pm due to Mile Swim)
    - 11:00 - 11:50 pm, 3:10-4:10 pm, 4:20-5:20 pm, 7:30-8:45 pm
  - Open Swim (not available on Thursday at 7:00 pm due to Mile Swim)
    - 11:00 - 11:50 pm, 4:20-5:20 pm, 7:30-8:45 pm
  - Mile Swim Award
    - Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 pm
- Culturecraft
  - Open Program - Public Speaking: 4:20 - 5:20 pm
- Handicraft
  - Open Program - Basketry, Leatherwork, Fingerprinting
    - 2:00 - 4:20 pm
  - Open Crafting
    - 7:30 - 8:45 pm
- Scoutcraft
  - Open Program - Exploration
    - 4:20 - 5:20 pm
- Shooting Sports
  - Open Shoot
    - 11:00-11:50 am: archery, rifle, shotgun
    - 4:20-5:20 pm: archery, rifle, shotgun
    - 7:30-8:45 pm: archery, rifle, shotgun

## Goshen Scout Reservation Camp Adventure Award

Each Unit in Camp has the opportunity to bring home the “Camp Adventure Award.” The Camp Adventure Award reflects a Unit’s commitment to participating in Camp programs and opportunities and involvement as a member of the Camp community. A unique ribbon will be presented to these units who have gone the extra mile to participate in the overall camp program. Learn more about how to earn the Camp Adventure Award at <https://www.gotogoshen.org/information/forms-downloads/>.

## Adult Leader Challenge

The Goshen Scout Reservation “Adult Leader Challenge” is designed for leaders to experience the programs that the Goshen Scout Reservation has to offer by taking part in activities and trainings during their week at Camp, as well as Badge recognizes the tremendous contribution adult leaders make in the Scouting Program. Completions of this award will be accepted on a Scout’s Honor Basis. Unit leaders should return a copy of this form to the Camp Administration Office by Friday at noon. Learn more about how to earn the Camp Adventure Award at <https://www.gotogoshen.org/information/forms-downloads/>.



## Adult Leader Training Opportunities

During your stay at Camp Olmsted, there will be a chance for adult leaders to earn Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense trainings. Other trainings may be offered depending on the week. Please check the Goshen website for more information and we will announce all training opportunities once you arrive at camp.

## Food Service

### Meals

Meals at Camp Olmsted are provided in a Dining Hall “Family” style. In the Dining Hall, meals are prepared by professional food service staff and served family style (food brought to your table on platters).

For copies of the most recent Dining Hall Menu (Standard and Vegetarian), please visit

<https://www.gotogoshen.org/information/food-menus/>.

### Meal Times

Breakfast	8:00 - 8:40 am
Open Lunch	12:00 - 1:00 pm
Dinner	6:00 - 6:40 pm

## Food Allergies and Dietary Restrictions

Food allergies and dietary restrictions must be indicated as part of your unit registration. Please indicate dietary needs under each participant’s information on the online registration system.

The Goshen Scout Reservation Food Service and Camp Staff will do our best to accommodate for all food allergies and dietary restrictions but cannot be held accountable for the management of these allergies. Notice of severe dietary restrictions should be shared with your Camp’s Administrative Team at least 3 weeks prior to your Scout’s arrival at camp.

## Table Assignments

Tables will be assigned to units at the first meal. It is important that all units visit the Dining Hall on their camp tour to understand how meals are administered.

## Open Lunch

Camp Olmsted is unique in that Lunch is not a formal meal in our Dining Hall. Meals will be prepared and packaged for your unit to pick up. Troops may choose to eat in the Dining Hall or wherever they would like in camp. We simply ask that you clean up after yourselves and that you return the crates that the food came in back to the Dining Hall.

## Aluminum Foil Cooking

Tuesday evening in camp, all leaders and scouts will be given the ingredients for a foil dinner to cook in their sites. Wood for this meal should be collected early by the unit and kept dry. Many units bring additional charcoal to make cooking easier. Scouts arrive at the Dining Hall after the afternoon program to pick up their food. Early in the week, time will be devoted to learning how to manage this meal. At the discretion of your

unit, camp staffers may be invited to this meal. These invitations must be made at least 24 hours in advance so that extra portions for the guests can be added to your food pick-up. In anticipation of this event, please bring the following:

- Gloves, tongs, etc., to handle the hot aluminum foil packages
- Two to three paring knives to help prepare vegetables
- Cutting Boards
- Charcoal (available at the Trading Post on a limited basis)
- Any spices you think you may need such as salt, pepper, and special flavorings.

Heavy Duty Aluminum foil (foil is provided for the meal; some units prefer more). For more details, see The Official Scout Handbook concerning preparation of aluminum foil meals. Give it a try on a campout before you come to camp!

The staff will conduct a foil dinner demonstration at 1:00 pm in the Trailhead fire pit to ensure scouts and leaders are given the tools to succeed.

### **Safe Food Handling**

Adult leaders are asked to pay close attention to the thoroughness of food preparation and cleanup. The health of your campers and the entire camp is dependent upon the supervision given by unit leadership in this most important area of camp living. Please remember that all meat must reach 165 degrees at the center to be considered fully cooked. Food handlers must wash their hands prior to starting any meals. Training on safe food handling practices will be provided to all upon arrival in camp.

## Campsite Inspections

Our Facilities Team will conduct daily inspections of each campsite to ensure they are kept clean and safe. At the end of each day, the unit with the highest inspection score will be bestowed with the Honor Oar. They will have until the following evening to decorate a portion of the oar in some way. Inspection criteria are listed below.

### Campsite Inspection Criteria

1. Tents
  - a. Ensure flaps are uniform throughout the patrol site, whether open or closed.
    - i. Tents will be inspected regardless of flap position.
  - b. Tents must be neat and orderly. Keep in mind any trash in and around the tent.
  - c. The walkway between the cots must be clear. No trash or food in tents.
2. Safety
  - a. Ax yard must be clearly marked and a safe distance from the patrol site.
  - b. Food should not be left out unsupervised as it attracts unwanted animals.
  - c. Ensure any clothes lines are at a safe height (5 feet) and out of walking paths.
  - d. Propane tank must be turned off.
  - e. Tools must not be lying on the ground.
  - f. Fires require supervision at all times and should be put out after use.
  - g. Unit vehicles except trailers are not permitted to be parked in sites after arrival is complete.
3. Camp Improvements
  - a. Use Scouting skills to create pioneering or other projects that look interesting and have practical applications.
  - b. Start the week out doing smaller projects (clothes lines, axe yards, tool racks, trash bag tripods, etc.) and keep building more and bigger improvements throughout the week (such as flag poles, gates, or even towers). Build safely and do not climb above 5 feet.
  - c. Permanent improvements must be approved in advance by camp administration.
4. Fire Guard
  - a. "Fireguard" sheet must be posted on latrine in plain sight.
  - b. Daily slot is filled out with the name of the designated fire warden.
    - i. Designate a fire warden for each day at the beginning of the week and fill in the fireguard sheet accordingly on the first day.
  - c. The designated fire warden should sign their initials on the "Equipment Check" box on their designated day signifying they are taking responsibility from the previous fireguard.
    - i. Make sure the fire bucket is full of water by the latrine.
    - ii. Fill and overflow the fire bucket daily to prevent mosquito breeding.
5. Latrine
  - a. The latrine should be washed at least daily, with toilet lids left closed.
  - b. No toilet paper or trash should be on the ground in or around the latrine.
  - c. The sink should be clean and personal items should not be left out.
  - d. Disconnect any water hoses from the faucet after use.
6. Overall Appearance/Trash and Tails
  - a. Sites and trails to and from the sites should be clean and tidy with no trash on the ground.
  - b. Remove all trash after every meal and after any evening snacks or desserts. Trash should be taken to the dumpster at least three times a day.
  - c. All smellables must be in the bearbox or removed from the site.

# Camp Olmsted Amenities

## Trading Post

The Trading Post is Camp Olmsted's camp store. We carry camping and outdoor gear, supplies for merit badges, snacks and refreshments, and apparel and souvenirs to remind you of your experience at Camp Olmsted by and have a look around! Times of operation will be posted on the door of the trading post.

We carry...

### Apparel

Camp Shirts (*New Designs!*)  
Hats  
Socks  
Patches

### Food

Snacks  
Ice Cream  
Trail Mix  
Popcorn  
Bottle Water  
Sodas  
Juice  
Slushies

### Camp Supplies

Kits for Handicraft Merit Badges  
Sunscreen  
Toiletries  
Personal Hygiene Products  
Flashlights  
Batteries  
Rope  
Pocket Knives\*

\*Pocket Knives will only be sold to youth with an adult, along with proof of their Totin' Chip and permission of their Scoutmaster.

## Leaders' Lounge

The Dining Hall building contains the Staff and Leaders' Lounge. Leaders' Lounge hours are from 9am–10pm except during staff meals (12:30–1pm and 6–6:30pm). The Leaders' Lounge is equipped with restrooms, tables for working, and wireless internet. Masks may be required in the Leaders' Lounge, depending on camp policy.

## Internet Access for Leaders

We recognize that many adult leaders will need access to the internet for work while at camp. Wi-Fi via Verizon Hotspots will be provided at the Administration building; but due to the remote nature of the camp and the need of many staff and leaders, we ask that you use the internet respectfully and only as needed. The Wi-Fi password will be posted in the Leaders' Lounge.

## Shower House and Bathrooms

The shower house is across from the Quartermaster/Trading Post, next to the Handicraft Pavilion. The shower house contains individual showers and individual bathrooms. We ask that youth campers do not use the bathrooms at the shower house during the day unless also taking a shower, and instead use the latrines at their campsite.

The shower house is open between 7:00 am and 9:30 pm except for between 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm for daily cleaning. Youth campers must go to the shower house in a group that is accompanied by adult leaders for supervision and must comply with Youth Protection Guidelines.

## Quartermaster (Q.M.)

The Quartermaster is located between the trading post. The Quartermaster is equipped to assist your unit with projects you wish to complete while at camp, in addition to stocking basic supplies.

What the Q.M. has for your unit:

- Toilet paper, trash bags, soap/sanitizer
- Bow saws, spades, rope, axes, hatchets, hammers, nails, and other supplies for service projects

Signing out equipment from the Q.M. is easy! Just put the following information on our Q.M. log:

- Unit #
- Piece(s) of equipment
- Time/day signing equipment out
- Time/day estimated to bring equipment back
- Signature from the Quartermaster, a Commissioner, or the Facilities Director

Quartermaster hours will be posted on the door. If you need something outside of open hours, or the quartermaster staff is temporarily out working on a project, stop by the Administration building and we will be happy to help! Please treat all of Bowman's equipment with respect by bringing items back in similar condition to which you received them.

## **Emergency Procedures**

### **Sign In and Out**

*Applicable to all personnel in camp (i.e. leaders, visitors, scouts, staff).* Camp Olmsted needs to know where all scouts, leaders, and staff are at all times in case of emergencies. A sign out log for scouts and leaders is located in the First Aid office in the Admin building. Any scout and/or leader joining their unit late in the week, departing early, or leaving Camp Olmsted is mandated to sign out.

### **Adult Leader Identification**

*Anyone and everyone* over the age or over the age of 18 years old will be given a wrist band to be worn on your wrist at all time while at Goshen Scout Reservation, as this procedure is Reservation-wide. If your wristband is lost or broken, you must come to Admin for a replacement immediately. If any adult is without a wristband, please notify the closest staff member immediately.

### **Hazardous Weather**

Camp Olmsted is fortunate to have many facilities that can protect participants and staff during times of hazardous weather. In times of hazardous weather if you ever feel uncomfortable, our emergency shelters are always open for you to take shelter. When hazardous weather is approaching our Superintendent will inform us to activate our Emergency Action Plan (EAP) and the following procedures will be taken:

<p><b>Staff</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Radio call to inform staff to shut down program areas and report to Admin. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Aquatics will inform Scoutcraft &amp; Culture Craft</li> <li>b. Shooting Sports will inform TrailsHead, Ecology, &amp; Handicraft</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Staff informed on whether or not they need to inform unit to report to safe location</li> <li>3. Once cleared, program will resume</li> </ol>	<p><b>Scouts and Leaders</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the event of a Hazardous Weather Event, all Program Areas will close, and scouts/leaders will report to their campsites.</li> <li>2. In the Event that sheltering is necessary, a siren will sound, and all scouts/leaders will immediately report to the Dining Hall.</li> <li>3. In the event that the Dining Hall cannot be safely reached, Units will report to the nearest designated Shelter Location.... <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Sites 1-4:</b> QM/Trading Post</li> <li>b. <b>Sites 5-17:</b> Dining Hall</li> <li>c. <b>Sites 18-20:</b> Tech Center/Admin</li> </ol> </li> <li>4. Once hazardous weather has cleared, regularly scheduled activities will resume.</li> </ol>
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### Lost Swimmer Search (Aquatics Emergency)

In the event that there are more buddy tags on our buddy board than there are participants in the aquatics area, or there is other reason to believe that there is a life-threatening emergency, a Lost Bather Drill (LBD) EAP will be activated. The following procedures will be taken:

<p><b>Staff</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A siren and air horn will sound (air horn will sound 3 times).</li> <li>2. All camp staff are to report to the waterfront and await instructions from the Aquatics Director.</li> <li>3. Search procedures are followed until the conclusion of the response.</li> <li>4. The 'All Clear' is indicated by a second siren and a long air horn blast.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Scouts and Leaders</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All program areas close when siren and air horn sound.</li> <li>2. All scouts and leaders must immediately report to their camp site.</li> <li>3. Once all scouts and leaders are accounted for by unit leadership, each unit will send two runners to admin and tell the staff members that all scouts and leaders are present and accounted for.</li> <li>4. The 'All Clear' is indicated by a second siren and a long air horn blast.</li> </ol>
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## Other Important Information

### What to Bring to Camp

Please see the Goshen Scout Reservation Scouts BSA packing list. [Scout-Equipment-Checklist-2024.pdf \(gotogoshen.org\)](https://gotogoshen.org/Scout-Equipment-Checklist-2024.pdf)

We recommend that campers **DO NOT** bring electronics, including handheld games, cell phones, music players, and so on. There is a high chance of these items getting lost, broken, rained on, etc. while out in the woods. Plus, you'll be having too much fun to want them!

## **Buddy System**

We require that youth participants always follow the buddy system while at camp. Please help participants plan so that they can travel to and from program areas with their buddy, and make sure that participants have a buddy when traveling around camp.

## **Site Guides**

One or more staff members will be assigned to be your Site Guide for the week. Their duties include being a liaison between the unit and the camp staff in addition to assisting and guiding your unit throughout the week. If you have any questions or needs while at camp, your Site Guide(s) are there to be a resource for your unit. If you have issues reaching your Site Guide while at camp, please let the Camp Administration team know.

## **Participants with Special Needs**

We will make any necessary accommodations to provide a welcoming and positive program for all participants. Please contact us at least 1-2 weeks in advance of your arrival so we can work with you to develop a plan to provide the best possible programming.

## **First Aid**

The first aid station is located on the side of the Administration building and is staffed by a trained first aider. The first aid room is open 24/7. In the case of an emergency at night, wake up the on-duty staff member(s) sleeping in the first aid room. More information for first aid procedures, including the Goshen Scout Reservation Health Lodge for more serious injuries, can be found in the Goshen Scout Reservation Leader Guide.

## **Parking**

We have a limited amount of parking in our camp parking lot. We encourage units to carpool to reduce their vehicle footprint. We do allow vehicles to drive to the campsites using our interior camp service roads. Vehicles can access sites to drop off and pick up, and then should be left in the parking lot unless otherwise approved by the camp director. If there are vehicles parked inside campsites, please park them off of any service road just in case an emergency occurs and a camp vehicle needs to pass.

Interested in taking a bus to camp? The Goshen Scout Reservation offers a shuttle bus service to and from the Fairfax Government Center (Fairfax, VA) and Largo Plaza (Largo, MD). Units with at least 45 participants are also eligible for a bus to be sent to a location of their choice. Learn more about the Goshen Bus Service at <https://www.gotogoshen.org/information/transportation/>.

## **Trailers**

We encourage units to bring trailers to camp if they wish to do so. Trailers are allowed inside the campsites to allow units to easily access their gear or any other items they brought to camp. All sorts and sizes of trailers can fit inside of our campsites. Should you need assistance on where to park or how to angle your trailer(s) inside your campsite, please ask your Site Guide(s) for advice from camp administration.