

2017 SUMMER CAMP LEADER'S GUIDE
Come Join Us For Another Great
Summer At Camp Karankawa



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Introduction

This Summer Camp Leaders' Guide is designed to assist you in effectively planning your Summer Camp program at Camp Karankawa, and to be your "guide" during your week at summer camp.

If, after reading this guide, you have any questions unanswered, feel free to contact the camp leadership Luis Sepulveda II/ Camp Director at (361) 814-4300 x134.

ABOUT CAMP

Located on the shores of scenic Lake Corpus Christi, near Mathis, this 130-acre Scout camp includes 15 campsites, large swimming pool, extensive waterfront area, canoes, kayaks, rowboats, COPE (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience) course, sailboats, Scoutcraft areas, nature area and trails, archery, rifle, paintball and shotgun ranges, campfire amphitheater, New Vern Herring visitor's center and trading post, Brand New 300-person dining hall, 3 new state of the art restroom/shower buildings, Chapel overlooking Lake Corpus Christi and other facilities including a large indoor training center and a unit leader gathering facility (Mesquite Lodge).



Camp Karankawa Address:

Camp Karankawa
23564 Park Road 25
Mathis, TX 78368
Phone: (361) 814-4300 Ext. 113--- Fax: (361) 814-5798

Camp Phone Numbers

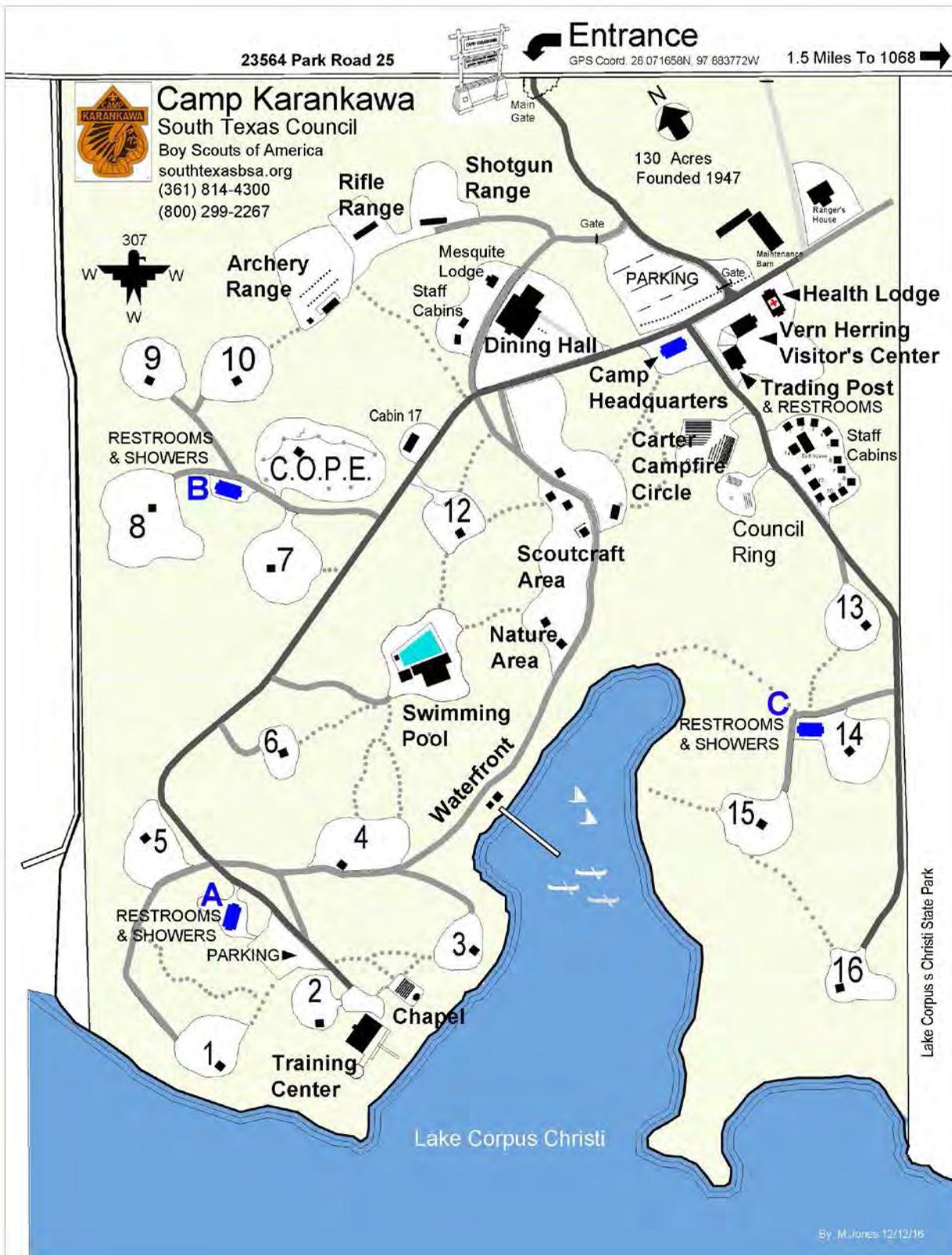
Camp Ranger: 361-816-3891

CAMP KARANKAWA SONG

On the hill above the water
Up above the trees,
Flows the flag of Camp Karankawa
Waving in the breeze.
Camp Karankawa, Camp Karankawa
With your boys so true.
Scouts and Scouters all together,
Sing their praise to you.



Map & Directions to Camp



By M. Jones 12/12/16

Directions from Corpus Christi

Travel north on Interstate 37 to Mathis, Texas.
Take exit 34 towards Lake Corpus Christi State Recreation Area.
Turn left at State Highway 359. Travel on State Highway 359 south to Mathis.
Turn right on to park road 25 right before the Nueces River Bridge.
Follow park road 25 until you come to the entrance leading to the Lake Corpus Christi State Park.
Turn left into the entrance to the park.
Proceed towards the park until you reach the fork in the road.
Take the right fork right before entering State Park Headquarters to Camp Karankawa.
Travel on road until you reach the camp entrance, turn left into the entrance and follow driveway to camp parking lot.

Directions from Victoria

Take US 59 south to Beeville (55 miles). Take US 181 south to Skidmore (12 miles).
Follow TX 359 southwest into Mathis. Travel on State Highway 359 through Mathis.
Turn right on to park road 25 right before the Nueces River Bridge.
Follow park road 25 until you come to the entrance leading to the Lake Corpus Christi State Park.
Turn left into the entrance to the park. Proceed towards the park until you reach the fork in the road.
Take the right fork right before entering State Park Headquarters to Camp Karankawa.
Travel on road until you reach the camp entrance, turn left into the entrance and follow driveway to camp parking lot.

Directions from Laredo

Take US 59 north to Freer. Take State Hwy 44 east to Alice. Take TX 359 north to Mathis.
Cross the Nueces River Bridge and then turn left at Park Road 25. Follow this road until you come to the entrance leading to the Lake Corpus Christi State Park. Turn left into the entrance to the park.
Proceed towards the park until you reach the fork in the road. Take the right fork right before entering State Park Headquarters to Camp Karankawa.
Travel on road until you reach the camp entrance, turn left into the entrance and follow driveway to camp parking lot.

Camp Staff Mission Statement

To provide scouts and scouters with a fun, educational, and memorable experience in order to perpetuate the values and tradition of camp Karankawa through the worldwide movement of Scouting.

CAMP KARANKAWA STAFF AIMS & OBJECTIVES:

1. To provide every camper with a wholesome and safe experience.
2. To help campers develop a keen awareness and appreciation for the great outdoors and to motivate them to assume the responsibility for living in harmony with nature.
3. To help fulfill the basic objectives of the Boy Scouts of America – building character, citizenship training, physical and mental fitness – through personal examples, stimulation and educational programs.
4. To demonstrate an enthusiastic Scouting Spirit and good leadership.
5. To exemplify the principles of the Scout Oath and Law.
6. To promote a spirit of genuine friendliness and understanding of others and cooperation.

CAMP PROGRAM

Merit Badge activities are designed to fit into a four day schedule. Classes are held in three sessions in the morning and 3 in the afternoon Monday through Thursday. On Friday morning, there are no scheduled classes, but all program areas will be open from 8:30am until 11:30am and instructors will be available to assist in completing work required to finish merit badges. Unit leaders should encourage Scouts to take advantage of open periods to see that merit badges are completed at camp to the extent possible. Friday afternoon will be devoted to a camp wide event! This will include a 10 man relay race, several Scout related competitions to be completed in 2 man teams, field sports day, and some new ideas that will guarantee to bring energy and team work to all the units involved! However, the completion of the merit badges will not be sacrificed for the event. If inclement weather disrupts the completion of any merit badge, completion of the course will be our priority. Several open merit badges will be available during the evening and Friday morning to give Scouts the opportunity to earn more.

Planning Your Week at Camp Karankawa

Now that you know some of the plans and operational procedures of Camp Karankawa, why not call together your senior patrol leader and your Patrol leaders, along with other Troop Leaders and lay out a program for your week in camp.

We recommend that Scouts obtain the merit badge pamphlets (available at the Council Service Center) prior to camp so that they can do some advance study and be well prepared for camp.

Tips on Merit Badge Registration

Make sure that when you sit with your scouts to discuss their options for badges at camp to make sure their list is set from 1-8, 1 being the priority and so on. As you enter the badges into Camp Master the system will adjust courses offered by times. So the list on the drop down menu will reduce as you input classes.

The schedules will be finalized two weeks prior to arriving at camp, at this time you will receive an email telling you this has been done. When you receive the email you will be able to go into Camp Master and print out your scout's schedule. ***If you print out the schedule prior to receiving the email, it will not be the correct schedule and will not give you class times.***

MAKE SEVERAL COPIES of the unit's schedule to have with you and to post in the campsite just in case the scout loses his.

THE SOONER THE BETTER! Most of the merit badge classes are limited in the number of participants and fill up fast.

Please make sure your scouts schedule is what they want. Registration at camp will make the check in process slower and classes are not guaranteed to be available if you wait till camp.

Following these tips will ensure a great summer camp experience for everyone!!

Don't forget to bring some extra spending money for the Camp Store!



SCOUT CRAFT AREA



Scout Craft provides scouts the opportunity to learn the outdoor skills of camping, pioneering, cooking, orienteering, and others. The Camp Karankawa Scout Craft area will consist of The Baden Powell Troop (1st year camper program), Outdoor skills, Cavalry Camp and Scout crafts.

Today's youth face different obstacles in life. More and more youth stay at home and entertain themselves with electronic games and other sedentary activities. Therefore, teaching Scouts the abilities to tie knots and rope lashings, to pitch a tent, cook over an open fire, navigate with a compass, or learn to enjoy the outdoors, are invaluable tools used to strengthen our Scouts mentally and physically.

The Scout Craft area aims to teach Scouts the importance of and how to enjoy the outdoors.

The Scout Craft area will offer the following BSA awards:

Paul Bunyan Woodsman
Totin' Chip
Firem'n Chit

EAGLE TRAIL/Baden Powell Patrol



The Baden Powell Troop (Scout – 1st Class) is a very important program designed to give your new Scouts a good foundation upon which to build their Scouting career. This program will run from periods 1-3 and 4-6 each day of camp which will allow Scouts to complete all the requirements possible for Scout-1st Class and, Paul Bunyan, Totin Chip and Firem'n Chit. Scouts will get placed in two merit badge classes throughout the day, these classes can include Cooking, Camping, Swimming, and First Aid.

Merit Badges offered in Scout Craft:



Camping



Cooking



Wilderness
Survival



Woodcarving



Orienteering



Pioneering



Photography



Leatherwork



Backpacking



Art



Basketry



Personal Fitness



Sculpture

AQUATICS AREAS



All campers are encouraged to take advantage of the wide variety of the aquatics courses offered at Camp Karankawa. Whether a camper is new to swimming or is an excellent swimmer, it is the goal of the Aquatics staff to ensure that each camper has a quality experience at the pool and the waterfront of scenic Lake Corpus Christi.

Merit Badges and Aquatic Programs offered at the Pool



Swimming



Lifesaving



BSA Lifeguard



Mile Swim



Snorkeling

Leaders Training available in pool area and waterfront.

- Safety afloat
- Paddle Safely
- Safe Swim defense

BSA LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION



This program is developed for older Scouts wanting to further their aquatics skills. They **must** be at least 15 years of age to participate in this intensive all day program. To receive certification, requirements in Aquatics Skills, First Aid & CPR, and supervised life guarding must be completed (please bring copies of completed certifications). Adults are also welcome to participate.

Waterfront Area



All boating activities & classes are on Lake Corpus Christi. Participants must wear closed toe shoes at all times while participating in the waterfront activities.

Merit Badges and Courses offered at the Waterfront



Canoeing



Rowing



Small Boat
Sailing



Kayaking BSA



*Water Sports



*Motor Boating



Kayaking



BSA Stand Up Paddleboarding

Texas Boater Safety Certificate Required for Motor Boating and Water Sports Merit Badges, it can be found at <http://www.boatus.org/texas/>

SHOOTING SPORTS



The shooting sports program includes three ranges. These ranges are staffed and supervised by BSA National Camp School and NRA certified directors. At our ranges, Scouts will learn about safety above all. They will have an introduction to shooting sports. All merit badges can be completed at camp but extra practice time is frequently a necessity in order to meet the skills qualifications.

All shooting sports classes last two class periods in order to provide Scouts more opportunities to qualify at camp. NEW PAINTBALL PROGRAM! Open shoot \$1 per cupful.

The following courses are offered in the shooting sports program:



Archery



Rifle Shooting



Shotgun Shooting

ECOLOGY-CONSERVATION AREA



The Ecology-Conservation area at Camp Karankawa offers an exciting, educational experience to all Scouts and unit leaders. The objective of the Nature area is to provide a better understanding of our environment and the importance of plant life and wildlife with which we share the world.

Merit Badges offered in the Ecology-Conservation Area:



Astronomy



Environmental
Science



Weather



Mammal Study



Fishing



Nature



Reptile & Amphibian
Study



Bird Study



Soil and Water
Conservation



Insect Study



Space
Exploration



Geology



Forestry



Energy



Fish & Wildlife



Nuclear Science



Plant Science



Fly Fishing

C.O.P.E.



Project C.O.P.E. (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience), is comprised of group initiative games that include 14 low and 7 high course activities. The course is offered during the morning hours each day. It is available to all Scouts at least 13 years of age. **There is a \$30.00 equipment** usage fee added at time of registration and participants also receive a bandana, and certificate of completion. Space is limited, so register early.

The C.O.P.E. course provides an opportunity for every participant to achieve success as an individual and as a group. Each participant will have the opportunity to build their self-confidence while developing team work and leadership.

Merit Badges offered in the C.O.P.E Area:



Climbing

Living History Camp



The cultures and customs of our great state's past come alive here. Learn how to throw a tomahawk, cook a cobbler, set up a primitive campsite, and learn more about life on the Texas Plains in the late 1800s with our US Cavalry Trooper Camp program. Scouts can drill and live like a trooper and learn about the living conditions of the US Troopers during the Indian Wars period in Texas. Tuesday evening is designated as our camp wide Living History program and all campers and leaders are invited and welcomed to experience a summer camp tradition.

US CAVALRY LIVING HISTORY CAMP PROGRAM

"Fall in, Trooper!" It's 1872. You're a new recruit. Welcome to the Cavalry Camp sponsored by Venture Crew #6 and the South Texas Council. Step back in time to and experience what life was like as a US Cavalry Trooper in the South Texas Plains of the 1870's.

Our sergeants will assign tents, issue uniforms and equipment. The quartermaster sergeant will serve you standard army rations, including chili or stew, peaches, and real hardtack. Staff provides all meals at this outpost. Learn basic drill and maneuvers sleep under period correct tents for a night session and get a great breakfast and dinner meal prepared over an open campfire. So sign up and enlist to be part of Camp Karankawa History. Space is limited to twelve recruits per day. "So Forward March"!

The US Cavalry Camp Living History Program will be offered as a class during the day as well as Indian Lore and Scouting Heritage offered in the area.

Program Notes - Scouts that sign up and participate in the US Cavalry Camp program will have the option of sleeping in the US Cavalry Living History Campsite for the entire night of Camp. Scouts will be dismissed to their troops at sunrise for the remainder of the day and will return for evening program instruction. The Cavalry Camp will be staff by the youth members and adult leaders from Venture Crew 6. Crew members will be dressed in period uniforms through the camp session and encourage participants and other campers to join in the fun by wearing accurate historical clothing during the open Living History program time. Open Living History program is open for youth and adult campers to come and get hands on experience of the campsite demonstrations.

Merit Badges offered in the Calvary Area:



Scouting Heritage



American Heritage



Indian Lore

Coastal Kayak Trek Outpost High Adventure Program



This 3 day, 2 night, fishing, kayaking, camping adventure on the Texas coast, with two camp staff guides is definitely the adventure of a lifetime. Participants will be driven to Aransas Pass where the expedition crew will meet an experienced licensed fishing and kayak guide who will travel with the crew to the launch site along state highway 361 between Aransas Pass and Port Aransas. Scouts will kayak out to a deserted island and establish base camp and launch daily fishing treks out into the bays, bayous, channels, and marshes in the Lighthouse Lakes Paddling Trail system between Port Aransas and Aransas Pass. This is truly “Island Adventure” Texas style. Participants will leave Camp Karankawa on Monday morning and will return to camp on Wednesday. Scouts may assist with projects on Thursday and Friday morning and will receive a special patch for completing the Trek. Scouts will have the opportunity to participate in the areas during free time, such as shooting sports, waterfront boating and can schedule a COPE session with the instructor.

Participants will have the opportunity to earn the Kayak BSA award and fishing merit badge while on the Trek. Also, as this is a High-Adventure program, participants must be able to meet the height and weight requirements outlined in the BSA Health and Medical Record form and must be approved to participate in this activity by the a certified licensed health care-provider.

10 youth slots available

2 adult slots available (reserved for Troops who have scouts going on Trek)

If slots are available two weeks out we will fill the slots with any adults wanting to attend

Registration for this program will only be accepted by contacting Mary Garcia at 361-814-4300 ext. 113.

Cost: Camper fee plus additional \$120.00 per person

What to Bring: Gear should be packed in waterproof dry bags.

A couple of small bags are better than one big bag.

Camping: Small tent

Bed roll

Mess kit with water bottle or cup with lid

Flashlight or Headlamp

Fishing Gear: 1 or 2 light tackle rod and reels with 10 lb. test line

Small tackle box with lures;

Topwater plug-bone colored spook jr.

¼ oz. weedless gold spoon

Paddletail worms on 1/8 oz. jigheads

Personal: Lightweight quick dry clothing (no denim)

Big Hat, Sunscreen, Sunglasses, Long sleeve shirt, Lip Balm

Zip-up neoprene wading boots or old lace up high top tennis shoes

Extra shoes

Hand towels or "Wet Ones" towelettes

Body Powder

Toothbrush, Shampoo, Soap

Insect repellent

Merit Badge, Awards, and Program Schedule

Legend: "X" indicates when the class is offered. X¹= continuous two or more hour class

ACTIVITY	EARLY MORNING	1 8:45	2 9:55	3 11:05	After Lunch	4 2:00	5 3:10	6 4:20	EVENING
SHOOTING SPORTS									
ARCHERY MB (2 CONSECUTIVE PERIODS)		X ¹	X ¹			X ¹	X ¹		
RIFLE SHOOTING MB (2 CONSECUTIVE PERIODS)			X ¹	X ¹			X ¹	X ¹	
SHOTGUN MB (2 CONSECUTIVE PERIODS)		X ¹	X ¹			X ¹	X ¹		
POOL PROGRAMS									
SWIMMING MB		X		X			X		
LIFESAVING MB			X			X			
SNORKELING, BSA			X			X			
BSA LIFEGUARD (All SIX PERIODS-ALL DAY)		X ¹	X ¹	X ¹		X ¹	X ¹	X ¹	
FREE SWIM								T/ TH	
MILE SWIM	T/TH (6:15AM)								M/W (7:45PM)
INSTRUCTIONAL SWIM (beginner & non-swimmer)		X		X			X		
WATERFRONT									
CANOEING MB		X		X		X			
ROWING MB				X		X			
SMALL BOAT SAILING MB			X				X		
KAYAK MB & Kayaking BSA		X	X				X		
MOTOR BOATING MB (must be 14 yrs old)		X				X			
WATER SPORTS MB (must be 14 yrs old)			X				X		
Free Boating (canoeing, rowing, sailing, kayaking, paddle boarding)								M/ W	
NATURE									
ASTRONOMY MB (evening observation required)			X				X		Observation
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE MB		X		X		X		X	
FISHING/FLY FISHING MB		X					X		
NATURE/FORESTRY MB			X	X		X			
REPTILE & AMPHIBIAN STUDY/ MAMMAL MB				X				X	
WEATHER MB							X		
BIRD STUDY MB (early morning observation required)	X	X							
INSECT STUDY MB						X			
SPACE EXPLORATION MB			X						
GEOLOGY MB				X					
ENERGY MB		X							
PLANT SCIENCE MB			X						
FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT/SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION MB						X		X	
NUCLEAR SCIENCE MB								X	
C.O.P.E									
COPE (3 CONSECUTIVE PERIODS)		X ¹	X ¹	X ¹					
CLIMBING MB (2 CONSECUTIVE PERIODS)						X ¹	X ¹		
Troop Baden Powell 1st Year Campers Program									
TENDERFOOT- FIRST CLASS		X ¹	X ¹	X ¹		X ¹	X ¹	X ¹	

ACTIVITY	EARLY MORNING	1 8:45	2 9:55	3 11:05	After Lunch	4 2:00	5 3:10	6 4:20	EVENING
SCOUT CRAFT									
BASKETRY MB									M, T, W
LEATHERWORK MB									M, T, W
WOODCARVING MB									M, T, W
ART & Sculpture MB				X					
Backpacking MB		X					X		
PHOTOGRAHPY MB							X		
CAMPING MB		X		X		X			
COOKING MB		X		X				X	
ORIENTEERING MB			X				X		
PIONEERING MB						X		X	
WILDERNESS SURVIVAL MB			X					X	
PERSONAL FITNESS MB						X			
FREE CRAFT TIME(Basketry, leatherwork, woodcarving)					X				
TOTIN' CHIP-MONDAY					X				
FIREM'N CHIT-TUESDAY					X				
PAUL BUNYAN-WEDNESDAY					X				
Calvary Camp/Living History									
INDIAN LORE MB		X						X	
SCOUTING HERITAGE MB							X		
AMERICAN HERITAGE MB				X					
Cavalry Camp – Living History Program			X			X			
HEALTH LODGE									
FIRST AID MB		X		X		X		X	
EMERGENCY PREP. MB			X				X		
OTHER EVENTS									
KARANKAWAN GAMES(All week)									TBA
DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF									TBA
SAFE SWIM DEFENSE									TBA
SAFETY AFLOAT									TBA
LEAVE NO TRACE INSTRUCTOR TRAINING									TBA

SPECIAL FEES/MERIT BADGE SPECIFICATIONS

Course Descriptions

Descriptions of merit badge and other courses are included here. For each course, information regarding prerequisites, additional costs, comments, and requirements that cannot be completed at camp is given. Additionally, some general guidelines to show for which the course is intended may help in making your schedule decisions. Many merit badges can be completed at summer camp, however, some cannot due to time requirements and special projects/visitations. Some merit badges require other prerequisites or special skill levels. If a merit badge states "This badge cannot be completed at camp without advance preparation", written confirmation of the needed requirements, signed by the Scoutmaster, will be given credit at camp.

The following courses are available at Camp Karankawa this summer:

LEGEND KEY

(A) Beginning Scouts 1st yr (B) Advancing Scouts 2-3yrs (C) Experienced Scouts 4-5yrs

PROGRAM	Requirements needing advance preparation	LIMIT/AGE/FEE/ETC.
AQUATICS		
POOL AREA		
Swimming (A,B,C) Swimming continued	"Swimmer", 2	Bring shoes, socks, pants, belt, long sleeved shirt, trunks for req. 4
Lifesaving (C)	1a, 13b, swimming MB	Very challenging! Strong swimming skills encouraged.
BSA Lifeguard (C)	Swimming MB, 1 st Aid MB, CPR/AED Certified Fee included	Must be at least 15yrs old. The Scout must attend both morning and afternoon sessions as well as performing lifeguard duties during open swims.
Snorkeling (B,C)	"Swimmer"	This program instructs Scouts in the skills needed to safely snorkel. Limit 10
Mile Swim (B,C)	"Swimmer"	Report to pool at 6:15 am
WATER FRONT AREA		
Rowing (C)	"Swimmer", 2	Requires physical strength & coordination.
Motor Boating (C)	"Swimmer", 2a *Boat Safety Course	Must be 14 yrs old
Small Boat Sailing (C)	"Swimmer", 2	Limit 10
Water Sports (C)	"Swimmer", 3 *Boat Safety Course	Must be 14 yrs old
Canoeing (B,C)	"Swimmer", 2	Fun yet challenging! A great way to enjoy Lake Corpus Christi.
Kayaking (B,C)	"Swimmer", 2	New merit badge.
C.O.P.E.		
COPE (C)	Fee Included	Must be at least 13 years old; \$30.00 *Fee. Limit 15
Climbing (B)(C)		Class limit 10
NATURE		
Astronomy (A,B,C)	8	Depends on the weather!
Fishing (A,B,C)		Bring your own fishing gear!
Mammal Study (A,B,C)	3	For all Scouts. Additional time required for observation.
Nature (A,B,C)		Ideal for camp environment.
Reptile & Amphibian Study (A,B,C)	8	Learn about nature's cold-blooded creatures!
Weather (A,B,C)	9,10	Interesting and challenging.
Environmental Science (B,C)	4	Bring paper and pencil.
Bird Study (A,B,C)	7	Bring binoculars
Soil & Water Conservation (A,B,C)	7	Fun for Scouts all ages
Insect Study (B,C)	7	Bring scrapbook to store insects
Space Exploration (B,C)	Fee Included	\$15 *fee; build and fly your own model rocket!
Geology		
Forestry		
Energy		
Plant Science		
Fish & Wildlife Management		
Nuclear Science		

SCOUTCRAFT		
Basketry (A,B,C)	Fee Not Included	\$15-25 ** (Bring to camp); Will build 3 baskets
Leatherwork (A,B,C)	Fee Not Included	\$15-20 ** (Bring to camp); Allow time for projects
Art (A,B,C)	6, Fee Included	\$5* Art Supply Fee
Photography (B,C)		Need to bring digital camera
Personal Fitness	1a, 1b	
Scouting Heritage		
Woodcarving (A,B,C)	Totin' Chip Fee Not Included	\$8-20 ** (Bring to camp); Must have sharp knife.
Camping (B,C)	4b, 8d,9ab	Paperwork may be done prior to camp.
Cooking (B,C)	4a, 7d	Will cook 3 meals at camp.
Indian Lore (A,B,C)	2	Learn about the history and heritage of the Native Americans. \$20+ ** (Bring to camp) for craft projects
Orienteering (C)		Very challenging! Must bring your own compass.
Pioneering (B,C)		Learn the challenging art of knots and lashings!
Wilderness Survival (B,C)		Will spend the night in a shelter built by you!
Backing/Hiking		
Eagle Trail/Baden Powell Patrol		
Tenderfoot Rank	1, 3, 10a	Scouts will be placed in merit badges classes on first day. Leaders do not need to register merit badge classes on CampMaster
Second Class Rank	1b, 3a, 3b, 8b, 9a, 10	
First Class Rank	3, 4c, 5, 9b, 9c, 10	
HEALTH LODGE		
Emergency Preparedness (B,C)	1,2c,8c	Scouts with a firm understanding of 1 st Aid skills.
First Aid (A,B,C)	2b,3c	Learn the skills to save a person's life!
SHOOTING SPORTS		
Archery (B,C)	Fee Included	Two-period class. \$7 *fee for arrow kit
Rifle Shooting (B,C)	Fee Included	Two-period class. \$20 *fee; Limit of 12
Shotgun Shooting (C)	Fee Included	Two-period class. \$30 *fee; Limit of 10, 13yrs old

**Fee is added on Campmaster*

***Fee should be brought to camp*

DAILY SCHEDULE

7:20 am	Flag Ceremony
7:30	Breakfast
8:45 – 9:45	Period One
9:55 – 10:55	Period Two
11:05 – 12:05	Period Three
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:15 – 1:50	Siesta Time
2:00 – 3:00	Period Four
3:10 – 4:10	Period Five
4:20 – 5:20	Period Six
6:15	Flag Ceremony
6:25	Supper

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AND EVENING SCHEDULE

Sunday	5:30 pm	Worship Services
	6: 15 pm	Flag Ceremony
	6: 25 pm	Supper
	7: 30 pm	Leaders' Meeting
	8:30 pm	Opening Campfire
Monday	1:15 pm	SPL Meeting
	7:30 pm	Shooting Sports Triathlon Unit Leader Competition
	8:00pm	Free swim
Tuesday	1:15 pm	Patrol Flag contest (Bring to lunch)
	7:30 pm	Living History Camp Activities/Black Powder shootout Scoutmaster Washer Tournament, Karankawa Games-Unit Activity
Wednesday	12:30pm	Scoutmaster Lunch (Training Center)
	1:15 pm	OA Social- Open to all campers SPL Meeting
	7:30 pm	Movie Night
	8:00pm	Free Swim
Thursday	1:15 pm	SPL's Meeting with the Scout Executive
	6:25 pm	Parents' Night dinner
	8:00 pm	Parents' Night campfire
Friday	8:45 am	Leaders' Meeting
	8:45-noon	MB make-up, Mile Swim
	1:15 pm	SPL Meeting
	2:00 -4pm	Karankawa Games Start - Camp wide events
	4:30pm	Camp Relay
	8:00 pm	Closing Campfire/Awards Ceremony

Parents' Night is on Thursday!

Parents and friends are welcome on **Thursday** through the evening campfire program which begins at 8:00 p.m. Visitors should be made aware of vehicle parking facilities prior to arrival. Traffic must move cautiously in or near camp. **All cars must be parked in the parking lot and will not be allowed to enter the campsites. Visitors much check in at the Visitor's Center.**

A campfire program and the Order of the Arrow dance ceremony **will be held on Thursday evening** for the shared enjoyment with parents and guests. Those parents and guests that would like to join us for dinner may do so. Dinner will be served from 6:25-7:00 p.m. Cost is \$8.00 per person. Tickets are required and can be purchased at the Visitor Center Thursday evening.

ADULT ACTIVITIES AT CAMP KARANKAWA

Training

- Texas In Person Youth Protection
- Leader Specific (Scoutmaster, Asst. Scoutmaster, etc.)
- Outdoor Leader Training
- Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Paddle Safely

Daily Leaders Meeting

- Held daily after breakfast at the Office at approximately 8:30am. All unit leaders are encouraged to attend.

Activities

- Shooting Sports Triathlon –Rifle, Shotgun, Archery
- Scoutmaster Washer Tournament
- Scoutmaster Appreciation Lunch – Wednesday at the Training Center
- Dutch Oven cook-off – Friday noon (bring to the picnic)
- C.O.P.E. – Friday morning (Sign unit up at check in)

CAMP AWARDS

Patrol Flag Award

Pride in one's identity is a key factor in morale. A patrol flag lets everyone know who you are. Therefore, Camp Commissioners will hold a patrol flag contest to choose the three best patrol flags, which will be awarded special ribbons.

Camp Karankawa Achievement Award

This coveted award is a distinctive recognition for outstanding troops. The award has pre-selected requirements that are designed to assist troops in conducting a successful summer camp experience. Earning the Camp Karankawa Achievement Award is a measure of excellence, identifying your troop as a unit dedicated to fun and fellowship of the summer camp adventure. Review the requirements carefully. Discuss them with your Patrol Leader's Council, and make plans to earn the award!

Camp Karankawa Achievement Award

Do all of the following:

- _____ 1. Demonstrate continuous Scout spirit during the week.
- _____ 2. Fly the U.S. Flag properly in the campsite. When the troop is in camp, fly the troop flag if available.
- _____ 3. Planned troop and patrol programs are posted in the troop site.
- _____ 4. A planned program of advancement is in evidence.
- _____ 5. The Scout Fireguard plan is reviewed by the troop, and posted.
- _____ 6. The troop site is neat, clean, and free of hazards.
- _____ 7. Follow the camp procedures and policies set forth in the Leader's Guide Book.

Each Troop must complete 8 of the following:

- _____ 1. Patrol Leader's Council (PLC), led by the Senior patrol leader, meets daily to plan troop program and help in troop activities.
- _____ 2. Perform an approved conservation project for the camp.
- _____ 3. Perform an approved service project for the camp.
- _____ 4. Score 280 pts on a formal campsite inspection.
- _____ 5. Conduct one or more cookout in your campsite
- _____ 6. Camp Leadership attends Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense Training
- _____ 7. PLC plans and conducts a troop or inter-troop activity.
- _____ 8. All patrols have and display patrol flags.
- _____ 9. Conduct a troop uniform inspection from the camp staff. Staff Initials: _____
- _____ 10. Participate in the Camp-wide Game.
- _____ 11. Construct a pioneering project in your campsite.
- _____ 12. PLC organizes a troop Scout Vespers service with the camp commissioners.
- _____ 13. Troop conducts one of the flag ceremonies during the week.
- _____ 14. Troop conducts a flag retirement ceremony in their campsite.
- _____ 15. Troop performs a Skit/Song in the Closing Campfire.
- _____ 16. Troop performs a Skit/Song in the dining hall during meal time.

We certify that Troop _____ has completed the necessary requirements to qualify for the Camp Karankawa Achievement Award on this date: _____.

Program Director

Unit Leader

Camp Commissioner

Campsite Inspection

The Camp Commissioners with help from the Senior Patrol Leader will perform a camp inspection each morning. All campsite trash should be disposed of in the dumpster behind the maintenance barn. DO NOT rake or disturb ground cover, in order to prevent dust and erosion. All liter should be picked up by hand. Finally, each troop should do its part, daily to police their latrines & showers, keeping them clean and sanitary. Campsite Cleanliness is a major portion of the Camp Karankawa Achievement award.

Daily Troop Inspection

UNIT _____ WEEK _____ CAMPSITE # _____

1. Campsite and surrounding area neat, free of litter, with trash properly stored and trash can not overflowing. (40)
2. Properly Pitched Tents. (20)
3. "No Flames in Tents" tag clearly visible on each tent. (40)
4. Care and condition of bedding. (20)
5. Food and Cooking Gear if any clean and properly stored. (20)
6. Campsite Clear of all Hazards and safety problems. (30)
7. Fireguard Chart Posted and filled in. (30)
8. Troop and patrol equipment properly stored (axes, rakes, etc.) (30)
9. Pioneering style Campsite improvement Project. (20)
10. Troop, patrol, and individual Scout Schedules are posted. (30)

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
(40)					
(20)					
(40)					
(20)					
(20)					
(30)					
(30)					
(30)					
(20)					
(30)					
Total (280)					

Inspectors' Comments:

Order of the Arrow

The Order of the Arrow Karankawa Lodge members welcomes all Scouts and Scouters to Camp Karankawa. They invite all Arrowmen to participate in the OA activities for the week. If you have any questions regarding OA issues, feel free to contact the Camp Director prior to attending camp. Listed below are a number of informational items related to OA activities at Camp Karankawa.



OA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Thursday** – Is OA day at Camp Karankawa. All OA members are asked to wear their sashes to dinner. The following events will be held:
- **Raising of the Colors** – Thursday morning's flag raising will be conducted by Arrowmen.
- **Service Activity** – OA members will be conducting a service project sometime during camp that will not interfere with camper activities or obligations.
- **OA Social** – The Lodge invites all campers to come out and learn more about local lodge activities, the purpose of the OA and interact with lodge officers.
- **Brotherhood Conversion** - An opportunity for Ordeal members to become Brotherhood members by completing the Brotherhood conversion requirements and attend the Brotherhood ceremony at camp.

There will be no Order of the Arrow Call Out Ceremonies preformed during the week

LEADER'S SECTION

MAKING A CAMP RESERVATION

To reserve your exciting week at Camp Karankawa, please use the reservation form enclosed or contact the Council Service Center at (361) 814-4300, Ext. 113.

<u>Camp Session</u>	<u>Dates</u>	
Staff Week	June 03-10	
Week 1	June 11-17	
Week 2	June 18-24	
Week 3	June 25-July 1	
<u>FEES</u>		<u>PAYMENT SCHEDULE</u>
• Unit Campsite Deposit	\$ 50.00	Due at time of site reservation
• Unit 1 st reservation payment	\$100.00	Due by February 15 th
• Unit 2 nd reservation payment	\$100.00	Due by April 15 th
• Scout Camper Fees	\$250.00	Due by May 15 th
		\$270.00 after May 15 th
Out of Council	\$275.00	Due by May 15 th
		\$295.00 after May 15 th
• Provisional Camper Fees (In Council Only)	\$250.00	\$50 with reservation.
		\$165 by May 15 th
• Leaders Fee	\$100.00	Due by May 15 th
		\$100.00 after May 15 th

UNIT LEADER FEES

ONE ADULT WILL BE FREE FOR EVERY EIGHT SCOUTS ATTENDING (No fractions).

The first free leader must be a registered adult 21 years of age or older. The other adults must be at least 18 years of age. The max number of free adults will be 4. Partial week will be determined on a meal by meal basis.

# of Paid Scouts	# of Free Adult Leaders
8	1
16	2
24	3
32	4

REFUND/TRANSFER POLICY

Please refer to the the council refund policy on the council website

www.southtexasbsa.org

Resident Camping Fees: Refunds of pre-paid camp fees will be made by check to the participant's unit or the individual who paid the fee as follows:

- ***Written refund requests received at the Scout Service Center more than 45 days before the first day of the camp will be refunded in their entirety except for \$65.00***
- ***Written refund requests received at the Scout Service Center 45 days or less before the first day of the camp and more than 7 days before the participant's scheduled arrival at camp will be refunded in their entirety less 60%***
- ***No refunds will be granted less than 7 days before the participant's arrival at camp.***

Written refund requests will be granted, unquestioned, according to the guidelines outlined above. Pre-paid camp fees may be transferred to another Scout within the same Scouting unit without penalty.

This refund policy is being enacted to provide the maximum flexibility to Scouts and their families while protecting the council's pre-paid camp expenses based on the unit's reservation numbers.

PLANNING YOUR UNIT'S SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE

Preparing for camp is an easy process, but it does require planning ahead. As a unit leader, you are the most important link in this process. The following pages are designed to help guide you and your Troop Committee for a memorable summer at Camp Karankawa.

Troop Countdown Sheet

By now, you and your Patrol Leaders Council, with advice from your Troop Committee, have completed the basic plans for camp.

_____ You have selected your campsite and week.

_____ Your committee has selected at least one assistant for you (two-deep leadership).

_____ The Camp Savings Plan is underway.

1. Are your fees up-to-date? Have you told the Council Office the number of Scouts attending camp? Units that cannot fill the minimum site capacity may need to share the site or be moved to another site that will accommodate the number of campers the troop is bringing to camp.
2. If you have not already done so, conduct a Camp Promotion Parents' night sometime between now and when you go to camp. Present camp plans and share with boys and parents information about Camp K, program highlights, adult leadership, physical examinations, fee payment information, etc. Individual Health and Medical Record Forms are available at the Council Service Center for distribution. **Annual** BSA Health and Medical Record form (Pages A B & C is required (must be signed by a physician). Ask parents to keep a copy for future use. You may find forms: www.southtexasbsa.org/healthforms
3. Pay any outstanding balance of camp fees at the Council Service Center prior to your arrival at camp and finalize the troop roster at that time.
4. Arrange for transportation to and from camp.
5. Obtain the home telephone number and address, and an "in an emergency" contact phone number for each Scout.
6. Share with parents, the Scouts and Leaders FEE information sheet, which indicates early bird fee and regular fee plus refund policies.

TEXAS YOUTH CAMP SAFETY ACT - COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES

ADULT MEMBERS/PARENTS/STAFF (18 YEARS OR OLDER)

**Completed form *MUST BE* in council office *AT LEAST 2 WEEKS* prior to arrival at camp
Leaders not in compliance with the state law will be asked to leave camp.**

*ALL ADULTS attending the any BSA resident camp in the state of Texas is required to bring to camp and submit copies upon check in:

1. Their completion certificate of Youth Protection Training taken within the last two years.
MUST BE THE CLASSROOM VERSION, NOT the online version.
2. All adults need to bring a printout from the State of Texas Sex Offender Registry Database showing that they were NOT found. To obtain a Sexual Offender database check at no charge, the individual should go to the Texas Department of Public Safety Criminal Records Service Website. See website below. Enter the Sex Offender database. Search using first name, last name and date of birth. Print out the results. You may print by highlighting the results page, FILE, PRINT, check SELECTION box and then PRINT. Print two copies and then attach to the Adult Application.
https://records.txdps.state.tx.us/dps_web/APP_PORTAL/index.aspx.
3. All adults fill out the South Texas Council's **Adult In Camp State Compliance form**. State youth resident camp regulations require all licensed youth camps in the state of Texas to conduct a criminal background check on every adult volunteer and staff age 18 years and older.. Completion and submission of this form provides the South Texas Council the information required to conduct the back ground check. Back ground checks are administered through the BSA's contracted service vendor LexisNexis. All volunteers and parents MUST submit this form whether they are staying the entire week or partial week.

4. **PLEASE SEND Adult in Camp State Compliance form TO COUNCIL OFFICE AT LEAST TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL AT CAMP. This approved form MUST be at camp by the time you sign-in. Compliance form may be send by mail: South Texas Council, Boy Scouts of America, 700 Everhart Terrace-Bldg. A; Corpus Christi, Tx 78411-1939. Or Fax; 361-814-5798. EMAIL: samula.jackson@scouting.org**

UNIT EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

SUGGESTED TROOP EQUIPMENT TO BRING TO CAMP

- Troop Flag & US Flag
- Troop library books: *MB pamphlets, Scout Song Book, etc.*
- Troop Record Book
- Clothing marker pens
- Props for favorite skits/songs
- Assorted tools for camp projects
- Rope
- Water Coolers
- Dutch Ovens
- Lanterns
- Troop/Patrol Dining fly (for additional campsite shade & shelter)
- Matches

SUGGESTED PATROL EQUIPMENT TO BRING TO CAMP

- Tents (we do not supply tents)
- Patrol flags
- First Aid Kit
- Compass
- Scout Handbooks per Scout

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR CAMP LEADERS TO BRING TO CAMP- **

- Camp Leaders' Guide
- Complete unit roster
- Youth Protection certificates, Sex Offenders' Registry print out, and **Adult In Camp State Compliance form for each camp leader attending camp.
**This form must be submitted to council office TWO WEEKS prior to your arrival at camp.
- Thumbtacks for bulletin board
- Alarm clock
- Cash Box
- Folding chair and table
- Copies of medical records for each Scout and leader signed by a physician
- Copies of program schedule for each Scout
- Progress records for each Scout

INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT

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| • Scout Uniform | • Notebook and pencil | • Fishing gear |
| • 2 pairs of shoes | • Swimsuit | • Mosquito netting |
| • Underwear | • Cup | • Sunscreen |
| • Jeans and shorts for one week | • Pocketknife | • Insect repellent |
| • Towels | • Bedding, pillow, and ground cloth | • Baby powder |
| • T-shirts, can be purchased at camp | • Flashlight with spare batteries | • Spending money |
| • Storage for clothing | • Scout Handbook | • Socks |
| | • Raincoat or poncho | • Belt |
| | • Toiletries | |
| | • Camera | |

Check-In Procedures – Your First Day

1. Check-In is on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **Please do not arrive before 1:00 p.m.** Your camp leader must come to Head Quarters and turn in 2 copies of the completed camp roster and pay any outstanding fees (**one unit check, please**).
2. Unit leaders may go directly to their assigned campsite after checking in at the Head Quarters you must let us know you are on-site and to confirm your campsite. Scouts should go directly to the campsite and change into swim trunks and shoes. Do not set up camp before your swim check.
3. At check-in, a staff member will assist your unit through medical checks, swim checks, and will give your troop a tour of our camp.
4. **Each Troop will be allowed a reasonable number of vehicles, with heavy equipment, drive to the entrance of the campsite. The vehicle must be returned to the camp parking lot after unloading. No vehicles are permitted to remain at the campsite throughout the week.**
5. During check-in, your troop will receive dining hall table assignments, pick up equipment needed from the Quartermaster and will receive your assigned shower and restroom clean up day. You will also have the opportunity to sign-up and reserve a campsite for units returning to Camp Karankawa in 2018.
6. Medical checks will be conducted for all Scouts and leaders during check-in. Each person must have a completed B.S.A. Personal Health and Medical Record form, or the new Annual Health and Medical Form. Forms must have been signed by a doctor within a year. (These forms are kept on file in the Health Lodge while your troop is in camp). At the end of the week your forms will be returned to you.
7. Swim Checks are required by B.S.A. policy for everyone each year. Anyone not taking a swim test will be classified as a non-swimmer.
8. There will be a Non-denominational service offered at 5:30 p.m. at the chapel on the hill. Please let us know if you will be attending.
9. Dining Hall Procedures will be explained on your camp tour. Each patrol should select two waiters who will report to the Dining Hall promptly at 6:10 p.m. Each table should have at least one adult leader.
10. Flag Retreat will take place in front of the Dining Hall promptly at 6:15 p.m.
11. Dinner will be served at 6:25 p.m. following retreat.
12. Leaders meeting will be held at 7:30pm in the HQ. At least one representative from each Troop must attend.
13. The Camp-wide Opening Campfire will begin at 8:30 p.m. In the council ring.
14. Taps will be at 11:00 p.m.

Check-Out Procedures – Your Last Day

1. Check-out time is between 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
2. During check-out a staff member will inspect your campsite, showers and restrooms . Please haul out all campsite trash. (Leave it ready for the next unit's arrival and check-in)
3. Return any camp-owned equipment to the Trading Post, quartermaster or camp ranger.
4. Pay for any lost or damaged equipment at Head Quarters.
5. Call roll and be sure everyone has transportation home.
6. Have a safe trip. See you next year!

Camp Karankawa & BSA Policies, Guidelines & General Information

Policies pertaining to all Scouts, leaders, staff and visitors:

1. It is against the policies of the Boy Scouts of America to possess or consume any form of alcoholic beverages, drugs or narcotics (not under the prescription of a physician licensed to practice medicine) on any property owned or operated by the Boy Scouts of America.
2. The South Texas Council also prohibits the possession or use of any type of fireworks on camp property.
3. Hazing of any form is considered child abuse and will not be tolerated anywhere under the auspices of the Boy Scouts of America.
4. Do not cut live trees.
5. Absolutely no candles, flames or open fires of any kind may be used in tents. Only battery lanterns are permitted in tents.

Buddy Tags

Blank swimming and waterfront "buddy tags" will be provided for each Scout and unit leader during camp check-in.

Camp Staff Area

Scouts and Leaders are not allowed in the camp staff personnel area at any time unless permitted by the camp directors.

Campsite Capacity and Assignment

Each campsite has a definite size regarding camper capacity. This is done to accommodate small and large troops alike. The Camp Director reserves the right to transfer a troop to an alternate site if the troop cannot fill at least 75% of the campsite or if the troop has signed up for a campsite that is too big. We also reserve the right to have multiple small units share a campsite if necessary.

Campsite Cooking

While regular meal service will be provided every day in the dining hall, patrols and troops will be given the option to cook as many as two meals in the campsite (breakfast and lunch on Tuesday). Food for these meals will be issued from the Dining Hall with adequate time prior to the meal. The meals will be simple and nourishing. Your troop will need to bring equipment and cooking utensils for these meals. Patrols should cook in the designated areas within the campsite to help conserve our natural surroundings. Adult Leaders should also approve of clean-up, sanitation and the quality of the cooking.

If your troop chooses to exercise this option and cook in your campsite on Tuesday, please notify the camp director at check-in on Sunday.

PLEASE NOTE: If the camp is under a fire ban, Troops will not be allowed to cook in the campsite.

Campsites and Campsite Equipment

Permanent equipment consists of Activity Shelter, pottable water spicket, one Patrol table, one flag pole with rope and a trash barrel.

Troop Leaders may check out an assortment of tools from the Camp Ranger on a short time project basis.

The Troop or Crew will be required to pay for any damage to Campsite facilities or equipment, other than normal wear.

Cutting of green trees or shrubs is a violation of camp policy unless directed by Camp Officials as a Conservation Project.

Conduct in Camp

The conduct and discipline of the Scouts in your troop is **YOUR** responsibility. This is camp policy. The camp staff will not discipline your Scouts unless it is a case of imminent bodily injury or property damage. Your campsite is your home during your week in camp. Entering or loitering around another campsite without that troop's permission invites problems. Raiding of campsites or staff areas by campers or staff is not permitted.

Guest Meals

For those leaders or the occasional guest wishing to visit their troop for the day, all meals will cost \$8.

Please pay for meals upon arrival at the camp office.

Insect Control

Camp leaders should insist that each camper be prepared for insect control. A good insect repellent will handle the situation.

Both insect repellent and mosquito netting will be available at the Camp Trading Post. DO NOT spray insect repellent on tent surfaces (it destroys waterproofing). If ant problems occur, contact the Camp Ranger for assistance.

Shower houses and restrooms

At check in, each campsite will be assigned a day to clean the shower/restroom house. Please supervise your Scouts when they are using the facilities to ensure they are caring for the facilities properly. Please ensure if the Scouts are using the facilities they are out by a reasonable time as some are very close to campsites and we must be "courteous" to our fellow campers.

Leadership in Camp

It is the policy of the Boy Scouts of America that at least two adult leaders, one of whom must be 21 years of age or older, attend summer camp with your troop. Ideally, the Troop Scoutmaster is the best choice for the camp Scoutmaster; however, this position must be filled by a registered leader at least 21 years of age. The second adult in camp can be an Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop Committee member or any other registered adult leader 18 years of age or older. If volunteers cannot be recruited to provide the proper leadership at camp for the week, an alternative method must be used to cover the requirements. One suggested method of maintaining the two-deep leadership is to have the troop committee share the time. Under the unusual circumstance in which a small troop is absolutely unable to provide two registered adults, they may share a campsite with another unit as a method of providing the required supervision.

MEDICAL HEALTH FORMS FOR ADULTS

Adults attending for a day or overnight must complete the BSA Medical Form and turn in a copy at check in. You may download a form from our council's website: www.southtexasbsa.org/healthforms. Pages A & B if only attending for a day or overnight.

MEDICAL HEALTH FORMS FOR YOUTH and adults attending long term camp (over 72 hrs): must complete the BSA medical form and turn in a copy at check in. Physician signature is required. Pages A B and C. **Signed by a physician within a year.** If one is needed, you may download from website listed above.

Camp Emergency Plans

Lightning

If you are caught in an exposed place, quickly move in a direction away from the direction of the approaching storm, and squat down, keeping your head low. A dense forested area located in a depression provides the best protection. Avoid taking shelter under isolated trees or trees much taller than adjacent trees. Stay away from water, metal objects, and other substances that will conduct electricity long distances.

By squatting with your feet close together, you have minimal contact with the ground, thus reducing danger from ground currents. If the threat of lightning strikes is great, your group should not huddle together but spread out at least 15 feet apart. If one member of your group is jolted, the rest of you can tend to him. Whenever lightning is nearby, take off backpacks with either external or internal metal frames. In tents, stay at least a few inches from metal tent poles.

In the event of lightning or thunder, all aquatics and shooting sports activities will be suspended until the storm passes.

Liquid Fuels

We recommend battery lanterns. However, propane and liquid fuel lanterns and stoves may be used under the direct supervision of a knowledgeable adult and in accordance with the BSA's *Guide to Safe Scouting*. Extra fuel containers **MUST** be kept under lock and key at the camp's central storage location. (This is in the ice house behind the dining hall.) Be sure empty containers are **NOT** placed in trash cans, turn them in to your Camp Commissioner or Ranger for proper disposal.

Lost and Found

Articles found should be left at the camp office. Likewise, articles lost may be inquired about at the same place. Unclaimed towels, personal items, and the like will be disposed of if not claimed.

Medications at Camp

Medications to be taken at camp may either be turned in at the Health Lodge during medical recheck or kept under lock & key at the campsite. All medications must be in the proper original containers labeled with the name of the medication and written dosage directions. Use the Medication Check In form located in the forms section of the leaders guide.

Personal Checks

Camp Karankawa deals strictly with Unit Leaders in its business transactions. The business management of Camp Karankawa will accept personal checks only if guaranteed by the Troop. The unit should secure all Scouts' fees and deposit them in the unit bank account and make payment(s) at the Council Service Center. For any balances due give Camp Karankawa a Troop check.

Pets

Sorry, pets are not permitted in camp by campers, leaders or visitors. Please advise your Scouts' parents.

Prohibited Items

Fireworks, personal firearms and ammunition, and personal bows and arrows, of any type are not allowed at camp.

Senior Patrol Leaders Council in Camp

The Senior Patrol Leaders of the Troops are all members of the week's Camp Leaders Council. This group serves the camp like the Patrol Leaders Council serve the troop, helping plan events and judging troop competitions. The Council will meet regularly with the Program Director to carry out these responsibilities.

Special Dietary Needs

If you have any special dietary needs due to food sensitivities or religious restrictions, please let the Camp Director know at least 2 weeks in advance so that we can make every effort to accommodate you.

Taps and Late Evening Programs

Taps is at 11:00 p.m. All campers will be in their own campsite by that time.

Unit activities such as night hikes, astronomy, etc., would constitute an exception and must be cleared through the Program Director. Scouts outside their own areas after 11:00 p.m. will be escorted to their campsite by a staff member.

Trading Post

The Trading Post is maintained for the campers convenience. Souvenirs, candy, ice cream, soft drinks, craft and equipment items and toiletries are offered for sale. Hours of operation will be posted at camp.

Troop Equipment

Be sure that your troop brings hand axes, brooms, buckets, spare tools, Scoutcraft equipment, cooking gear, and hiking equipment. Also bring American, troop, and patrol flags.

Uniforms

The complete Scout Field Uniform is to be worn by Scouts and adult leaders at flag ceremonies and dinner. NOT PERMITTED are caps and shirts with words or pictures not representing the spirit of the Scout Oath and Law. For safety reasons, closed toe shoes are to be worn at all times except in your tent, at the pool, or in the shower.

Some Scouts may not have a uniform. We must note that a uniform is not a prerequisite for attendance at camp.

Vehicles in Camp

No vehicles are allowed in Campsites, or to drive in camp, except to drop-off Troop equipment on Sunday, and to pick up equipment on the following Saturday.

Personal Possessions

Summer camp is an outdoor experience. Personal items such as MP3 players, radios, DVD players, electronic games, bicycle, are acceptable at camp, but units are responsible for securing and storing these items while at camp. In all cases, personal valuables such as wallets, money, watches, or other items should never be left out in the open. It is virtually impossible to provide security for these items. The South Texas Council, BSA will not be held responsible for any lost or stolen items brought to Camp Karankawa.

Tour and Activity Plans

The primary purpose of the Tour and Activity Plan #680-014 is to assist in planning SAFE and HEALTHY transit to and from any Scout outing. However, South Texas Council troops are not required to submit a tour permit for attendance at Camp Karankawa summer camp or any other council sponsored event or activity. Out of council troops upon arrival, will be asked to provide a copy of their permit bearing the council stamp, date, and signature of approval.

FORMS SECTION

BOY SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP TROOP ROSTER

Troop # _____ District _____ Council _____

Camp Dates: _____ to _____

PREPARE IN DUPLICATE AND TURN IN ONE COPY ON ARRIVAL TO CAMP.

	First & Last Name	Address	Phone Number	Rank	Age
SM					
ASM					
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MEDICATION FORM
(One form per medication, copy as needed)

Unit # _____ District: _____ Council _____

Camper's Name _____

Name of Parent or
Guardian: _____

Phone Numbers: (H) _____
(B) _____

Doctor's Name _____ Phone: _____

Medication/Strength: _____

Reason for Medication _____

Expected Schedule: (i.e. 3 times a day, As needed, etc.) _____

When was medication started? _____ Temporary _____ Permanent _____

Side Effects (reactions to food, dehydration, stress, iodine, other meds, decrease balance, motor activity, concentration, drowsiness, lethargy, etc.)

List other important information about this medication since access to medical information or facilities could be delayed due to geographical area.

Special Storage instructions:

Expected action if medicine is not taken as directed

Total quantity needed _____

Waiver: This information is confidential and is provided to _____

Name of Leader

For the express purpose of helping to ensure a healthy, safe camping experience for my child. This form may be shared with medical personnel should the necessity arise. It will be returned to me at the end of the trip.

Signature of Parent/ Guardian _____ Date _____

CAMPERSHIP APPLICATION- Available to South Texas Council's youth- Attending Council Camp(s)

(Please print all information – Return by May 1st)

DISTRICT _____ **TROOP #** _____

BOY SCOUT CAMP KARANKAWA WEEK _____

UNIT LEADER'S NAME (Please print) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

LEADER'S PHONE NUMBER(S) Day Time _____ Home _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

The purpose of the Campership Program is to provide opportunities for deserving boys to attend a summer camping program of the South Texas Council, BSA, who would otherwise not be able to meet the attendance fees. Details of need are handled in strictest confidence to avoid any embarrassment to the boy or family. All boys who receive a Campership grant are required to provide part of the total cost, which shall not be less than **\$50.00**. The **\$50 MUST** be included with this application. Please attach also portion of fee to be paid by unit. (Maximum grant is 50% of total discounted fee) **If more than one boy in a family is applying, please complete one application per Scout.** All information requested **MUST** be completed in full by parents or guardians.

Completed applications and deposits should be sent to the South Texas Council, BSA Office by May 1st. Applications will be considered after May 1st as long as funds are available.

Completion of this application does not automatically guarantee a Campership grant. Grants are awarded, first, on the basis of verified need and second, on the basis of funds available. **Return by May 1st or earlier!!!**

Applicant's Name _____ **Age** _____ **Rank** _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **Zip** _____

REASON(S) FOR CAMPERSHIP REQUEST: (Check those that apply)

_____ Parent(s) currently unemployed \$ _____ Annual Family Income

_____ **Number of people in immediate family (MUST specify number) (MUST BE FILLED OUT)**

_____ Extreme illness in immediate family, with accompanying financial burdens

_____ Combination of above reasons

_____ Other _____

_____ Do you receive food stamps and/or aid to Families with Dependent Children? Yes _____ No _____

Parents or guardian: Print name _____ **Sign** _____

Parent or guardian email address and phone no _____ **Phone** _____

Unit Leader approval signature _____

(MUST BE SIGNED BY BOTH---PARENTS OR GUARDIAN AND BY UNIT LEADER)

NOTE: CAMPERSHIP GRANTS DO NOT INCLUDE THE COST OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION, EQUIPMENT OR OTHER NEEDS. FULL FEES IF PAID BY DEADLINES:

Total camp fee **if paid on time**: (Check with your unit leader to see if you qualify for payment on time discount) (Maximum grant is 50% of total discounted fee)

Family's share of camp fee.....\$ _____ = \$50

Share of camp fee from unit or other source(s)..... \$ _____ -

Amount requested from Campership fund..... \$ _____

_____ **Yes, Applicant's family participated in council-wide fundraisers, such as popcorn sale, camp cards, etc.**

Name: Council-wide fundraiser activity or event _____

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Application approved by _____ Date: _____ Amount approved/& credited to boy & unit:\$ _____

DATE NOTICE WAS MAILED TO SCOUTMASTER: _____

Return to: SOUTH TEXAS COUNCIL, BSA, 700 EVERHART TERRACE-BLDG. A., CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78411-1939PHONE: (361) 814-4300 Ext. 113 FAX (361) 814-5798 EMAIL: mary.garcia@scouting.org

Pre-Camp Swim Check

On arrival at Camp Karankawa, troops normally have their youth report to the pool for this swim check after completing the medical re-check. Camp Karankawa will however, permit troops to bring certification of their own swim checks and resulting classifications to camp with them in place of the swim check at camp. Units doing this must follow the Safe Swim Defense guidelines and policies outlined in the *Guide to Safe Scouting* and send the form in advance or upon arrival at camp. Swim check must be conducted by a BSA Aquatics Instructor, BSA Cub Scouts Aquatics Supervisor, BSA Lifeguard or a certified lifeguard or swimming instructor from another certifying agency. Please attach a copy of the Lifeguard's certification card.

Unit Conducted Swimming Ability Classification Record							
Camp Week		Campsite		Camp Scoutmaster			
Troop Number				Address			
Council		District		City		State	Zip
Email address				Home Phone		Work Phone	
Submission of this form to Camp Karankawa certifies that the unit named above has conducted its own swimming ability testing following the guidelines of Safe Swim Defense as defined in the <i>Guide to Safe Scouting</i> . The unit understands the Camp Aquatics Director shall at all times reserve the authority to review or retest all participants to ensure that standards have been maintained.				Date Swim Test Conducted:			
				Location of Test:			
				Test Conducted By:			
				Signature of Tester:			
Test must be conducted by a BSA Aquatics Instructor, BSA Cub Scout Aquatics Supervisor, certified lifeguard (either BSA or another certifying agency). Attach a copy of the Lifeguard's certification card.							
Name	Non-Swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer	Name	Non-Swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer
1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	21.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	22.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	23.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	24.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	25.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	26.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	27.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	28.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	29.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	30.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	31.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	32.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	33.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	34.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	35.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	36.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	37.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	38.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	39.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	40.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Ability Groups

All youth and adult participants are designated as swimmers, beginners, or non-swimmers based on swimming ability confirmed by standardized BSA swim classification tests. Each group is assigned a specific swimming area with depths consistent with those abilities. The classification tests should be renewed annually, preferably at the beginning of the season.

Swimmers pass this test: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth. Level off and 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 completed in one swim without stops and must include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

Beginners pass this test: Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and swim 25 feet on the surface. Stop, turn sharply, resume swimming and return to the starting place.

Anyone who has not completed either the beginner or swimmer tests is classified as a non-swimmer.