

Camp Parsons 2021

Scouts BSA Summer Camp



Leader's Guide



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
CHIEF SEATTLE COUNCIL

WELCOME TO CAMP PARSONS, WHERE THE MOUNTAINS MEET THE SEA!



Summer camp can be one of the great experiences in the life of a scout. Each program, merit badge, and evening campfire will linger in their memory for years to come. With over 100 years of continuous operation, Camp Parsons offers you and your Scouts a superior camping program in a unique aquatic environment that will provide the opportunity to test outdoor skills, work together, and make lifelong friends. There is much to experience, learn, and enjoy on your summer camp adventure at Camp Parsons. This guide is designed to answer many of your questions about camp. Should you need additional information, visit our website at campparsons.org or contact the following:

Reservation Information

Chief Seattle Council
Camping Department
3120 Rainier Ave S
Seattle WA 98114
(206) 725-0361
Mon-Fri, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM
seattlebsa.org

Facilities and Program

Camp Parsons
Ken McEdwards, Camp Director
970 Bee Mill Road
Brinnon WA 98320
(360) 796-4427
info@campparsons.org

Because guidance from the state and local public health officials surrounding COVID-19 is constantly evolving, some details in this guide are subject to change. Please refer to our COVID-19 Playbook at the end of this document.



Camp Parsons is accredited through the BSA National Camp Accreditation Program (NCAP).

Camp Parsons

Where the Mountains Meet the Sea

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Camp History

Founded in 1919, Camp Parsons is the oldest continuously operating Scout Camp West of the Mississippi. It is also the only Scout camp in the United States that uses a saltwater beach for all its aquatics activities. The site of the camp was chosen by Professor Edmund Meany, Major Edward Ingraham, and members of the Seattle Area Council. It was purchased from John Strom in May 1919 and named after the first council president, Reginald H. Parsons. Booth Hall (the current Silver Marmot Grill) was constructed in May and June 1919 and continues to be used today. On July 7, 1919, 100 Scouts arrived at Camp Parsons by boat for its first season that ran 6 weeks and has not stopped since. Lord Baden Powell, the founder of Boy Scouts, even came from Great Britain to visit Camp Parsons in 1926. A separate camp for Cub Scouts was developed on the property in 1937 and named Camp Meany in honor of the late Professor Edmund Meany, first Scout Commissioner for Seattle. This camp was merged into Camp Parsons in 1941 and that camp's dining hall served as the dining hall for Camp Parsons through 2014, after which it was razed and a new dining hall was constructed and dedicated in June 2015. Scouts and Scouters can take in the impressive breadth of Camp Parsons' 100 plus years of memories at the Fort Duckabush Museum located at camp.



Registration

2021 Camp Dates

Session 1 July 4 – July 10
Session 2 July 11 – July 17
Session 3 July 18 – July 24

Session 4 July 25 – July 31
Session 5 August 1 – August 7
Session 6 August 8 – August 14

Making Reservations

Troops

Reservations are made online on a first come, first served basis and may be made with a \$25 per person nonrefundable deposit. Register now at seattlebsa.org.

Provisional Scouts

Scouts can go to camp even if their troop is not attending! A provisional camper is a Scout who goes to camp as an individual because they cannot attend with their troop, or perhaps wishes to have an additional week of camp. The Provisional Troop is organized under the direction of trained adult leadership provided by the camp. Registration is online using the same portal as for troops.

Campsites

Requesting a campsite is optional. Choose a campsite which fits a realistic projection of your camp attendance. Due to changes in troop size and to maximize usage of camp, you may find your troop in a site other than the one you requested. Female scout troops will be placed in separate campsites from male scout troops.



Campsites are not guaranteed. The camp staff makes the final decision on camp site assignments, which will be available when you arrive at camp. Campsites feature either cabins with bunks that sleep 4 to 6, canvas tents with wooden platforms or a combination. Mattresses and cots are not provided.

A map of the camp can be found online at campparsons.org/camp-map.

The following is a list of our campsites and their approximate capacities:

Campsite	Scouts	Adults	Campsite	Scouts	Adults
Mt. Anderson A	24	4	Mt. Townsend A	30	4
Mt. Anderson B	12	2	Mt. Townsend B	30	4
Mt. Constance	26	4	Rangers A	22	2
Copper City A	16	4	Rangers B	22	4
Copper City B	18	2	Skokomish A	20	2
Dungeness	26	4	Skokomish B	20	2
Mt. Olympus A	26	4	Mt. Turner	26	4
Mt. Olympus B	26	4			

Transportation

Camp Parsons does not provide transportation to or from camp. For information on charter services, you can start your search at gonorthwest.com.

Camp Payment Information



Questions?

Contact the Camping
Department
at (206) 725-0361 or
campingdept@settlebsa.org.

2021 Summer Camp Fees

In-State

(Scouts with Washington State service centers)

Scouts: \$393 each

Adults: \$292 each

Out of State

Scouts: \$450 each

Adults: \$292 each

Fees and payment schedule are the same for provisional scouts (and optionally, provisional adults)

Payment Policy

Please be prompt with your camp payments. You can drop participants anytime until your final payment is made. Whatever has been paid for them so far will be credited toward your final balance. Just make sure not to create a negative balance. Refunds are not automatic. For refund questions, see our Refund Policy below. If you have questions about your balance, please contact the Camping Department at (206)-725-0361 or campingdept@seattlebsa.org.

TROOPS WHOSE PAYMENTS NOT RECEIVED BY June 1, 2020 ARE AT RISK FOR CANCELLATION OF THEIR RESERVATION.

Payment Methods

- Log into your online account at seattlebsa.org and pay with credit card or electronic check
- Pay by phone at (206) 725-0361
- Mail or bring in Scout Bucks (Chief Seattle Council only)
- CSC Unit Account
- Check payable to "BSA" mailed to:
Camping Dept., Chief Seattle Council, 3120 Rainier Ave. S., Seattle, WA 98144

Camperships

Camp scholarships (Camperships) are available for those Scouts in the Chief Seattle Council who may otherwise be unable to attend one of our council camps. Generally, up one half of camp fees are awarded. Troops and requesting Scouts are encouraged to contribute toward the camp fee. Apply online for camperships online at seattlebsa.org or call (206) 725-0361.

Refund Policy

Preparing for camp requires us to purchase food, supplies, equipment, hire staff and keep camp facilities in good repair in anticipation of the number of participants registered to attend.

Per-person deposits are nonrefundable.

Up to 30 days prior to your session, up to 50% refund is possible when a participant is involved in an accident, serious illness, death in the immediate family, moves out of the area, or leaves Scouting.

Refunds are not available due to conflicts with other activities such as a family vacation, team sports, school activities, and the like.

If the Council cancels camp sessions, we will work to move reservations to a 2022 summer camp session or issue a full refund if that is not possible.

Refund Requests

All refunds must be requested in writing. Please review the cancellation guidelines above to determine whether you qualify. To request a refund, please send an email to us at campingdept@seattlebsa.org. Include the reason for the withdrawal, the unit number, camp and session, and the participant's name.

Check-In, Check-Out

First Day

Arrive on Sunday

Camp opens at 1:00 PM on Sunday. We ask that you not arrive early since the staff needs to prepare for your arrival. Camp is closed on Saturday for the staff to have a short time off between sessions. We are unable to provide overnight accommodations for troops arriving earlier than Sunday. If you would like to spend Saturday night nearby, however, there are two campgrounds within ten minutes of camp: Dosewallips State Park and Seal Rock Campground in the Olympic National Forest.

Check-In

A staff guide will welcome you on your arrival. As your scouts unload the vehicles, the scoutmaster will check in at the camp office with the following:

- Troop Roster
 - List scouts and adults separately; in alphabetical order
 - Do not include any troop members who are not attending camp
 - If adults are splitting the week, the days they will be in camp should be noted.
- Unit insurance information for out of council troops
- Any payment still due - **ANY UNPAID FEES MUST BE PAID WHEN YOU CHECK IN.**

Before your staff guide shows you to your campsite, each scout and adult will be required to complete a health screening. Be prepared with the following for each participant:

- Current Medical Forms (see [Medical Information](#) below for more details)
- Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist
- COVID-19 Waiver
- Documentation of COVID-19 vaccination or negative COVID test.

Please refer to our COVID-19 Playbook at the end of this document for more information.

Move In

After your Scoutmaster checks in at the camp office, your unit will be shown to your campsite. All equipment is carried – no private vehicles are allowed past the parking lot. After the gear is stowed prepare to go through the medical screening. Campsite dining flies, tents and facilities should be checked at this time so any maintenance needs can be reported to the camp ranger. Check carefully –your unit will be charged for any damage to your campsite that occurs during your stay.

Swim Checks

We use the Eight Point Safe Swim Defense Plan. This means everyone using any of the aquatic facilities must have a health history and take a swim test to determine their swimming ability. Due to the unique nature of our saltwater aquatics area, swim tests from other facilities are not accepted.

Orientation

During this first day, time will also be spent on informing everyone what goes on at summer camp and answering questions. A camp tour will also be provided.

Last Day

Breakfast Your staff guide will greet you bright and early around 6:30 AM. As your troop packs their gear and cleans up their campsite, a small breakfast will be delivered to each campsite (mess kits are not needed).

Camp Closed Camp Parsons is open from 1:00 PM Sunday to 11:00 AM Saturday. The time between closing and opening is staff time off. Camp facilities are closed during that time.



Camp Services

Resources

Staff Guide

Your troop will be assigned a staff member who will be your primary resource for the week. They will spend most of the day with you for check-in and check-out as well as visit your troop a couple of times a day.

Quartermaster/Tool Room

Equipment is available to check out from the tool room which is open 1 hour after each meal. You can check out tools for camp beautification and conservation projects, equipment for campsite improvements, and cooking gear such as Dutch ovens and utensils.

Camp Office

If you can't find who or what you need, our office staff can help!

Phones and Internet

Cell phone service is available for most major carriers throughout the majority of camp. Wi-Fi is available for adults in the Scoutmaster Lounge in the Silver Marmot Grill (adjacent to the camp office).



Lost and Found

Lost and found items are collected at the camp office. Lost items can be claimed any time the office is open. They are not kept at the Council Service Center. After you've left camp, you can call (360) 796-4427 to ask about lost items. After 30 days, unclaimed items are contributed to Goodwill or other worthy agencies.

Trading Post

The trading post provides a wide selection of souvenir and comfort items for sale to Scouts and adults during the week. The trading post will operate at a limited capacity this summer. More information will be provided at check-in.

While the actual selection varies from year to year, the following items are usually available:

Souvenirs: (T-shirts,etc.)	Scout literature	Fire starters
Personal items & toiletries	Postcards & stamps	Sharpening stones
Rifle/Archery awards	Scout knives	
Patches	Scout equipment	
Flashlights & batteries	First Aid kits	
Food items such as potato chips, ice cream, soft drinks and other snacks		

Troop Funds

We recommend that an adult should serve as the “banker” during the week, checking money in and out for the Scouts. This prevents “sticky fingers” and “butter fingers” alike.

Camp T-Shirts

We have camp T-shirts for sale at the trading post and maintain a good supply throughout the summer, usually with a bigger supply of the larger sizes. We do not take pre-orders, however if you wish, you can enter your shirt sizes in the online registration system, then call us any time after mid-June, and we can set them aside for you to pay for when you come to camp.

SCOUTS/LEADERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO SELL ITEMS TO ANY OTHER SCOUTS AT CAMP

Mail

A letter from home can be one of the greatest cures for homesickness. Send mail to the address below. Since it takes from 2–4 days for mail to arrive, try to send letters and packages 3 days before your session starts and no later than the Wednesday of your session.

Scout's Name, Unit Number
Camp Parsons
970 Bee Mill Rd
Brinnon WA 98320

Visitors

- We will be enforcing a strict **no visitors** policy this summer.
- **Leave pets at home.** Camp abounds with natural wildlife. For this reason, pets are not allowed, not even if they can be carried. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Medical Information

Medical Forms

All camp participants (Scouts & Adults) must complete **Parts A, B, & C** of the Annual Health and Medical Record. Part C includes a physical examination by a licensed medical practitioner within 12 months of camp (good until the end of the month).

All medical forms will be returned to your troop at the end of the week, however, we recommend that you keep the originals with an adult not attending camp and bring copies with you. To expedite check-in and health screening, we also ask that all pages of each person's form are stapled together and that you not keep them in plastic sleeves.

Adults who stay less than 72 hours are required to complete Parts A & B of the Annual Health and Medical Form. Part C is only necessary if they wish to participate in aquatics activities.

All necessary forms are available online at <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/>

Christian Scientist faith members must have a written statement from their practitioner attesting to their health.

COVID-19 Information

Please refer to the COVID-19 Playbook on the [Summer 2021 FAQ page](#) for our latest policies, including screenings and requirements that must be completed prior to arriving at camp.

Mask Policy

All scouts, adults, and staff must wear masks at all times except when eating, sleeping, showering, and during some activities such as Aquatics. This policy applies to all individuals, regardless of vaccination status.

Special Need Requests

Any special physical, dietary or medical need requests must be submitted no later than 10 days prior to camp. It is preferred that you enter this information online through the registration portal, but you may also submit on the Special Needs Form, available at seattlebsa.org.

CPAP machines

There is electrical hookup available at every campsite for adult leaders with CPAP machines or to charge cell phones, etc. Extension cords are also available for checkout at the tool room.

At Camp

Medical Facility

A fully equipped medical lodge is provided at camp. A doctor or trained first aid professional is always on duty. Those sustaining serious injuries or illness requiring hospitalization will be transported to the nearest hospital, where we have a standing agreement for treatment. We will work with troop leadership to ensure adequate supervision for both the sick/injured scout and the scouts remaining at camp. Parents will be notified in the event of any serious injury or illness.

Medications

The troop is responsible for all their medications. A lock box is available for checkout if needed. A secure refrigerator is available at the health lodge. The health lodge is open following each meal or on request. The troop's leader is responsible for giving Scouts their medications. Any injections that need to be given at camp if other than the Scout himself will need to be administered by the medical officer, with written permission given by the parent to do so.

*** IMPORTANT ***

Scouts who do not have a health history signed by a parent/guardian **may not stay at camp**. All Scouts and leaders planning to stay at camp more than 72 hours must have a health history signed by a healthcare provider.

The name and policy number of your accident and illness insurance carrier are required on your health forms. The Annual Health and Medical Form includes an authorization for emergency treatment and must be signed by a parent within 12 months of date of camp (good until the end of the month). Double check to see that the required signature and information is included.

PHYSICAL EXAMS WILL NOT BE GIVEN AT CAMP

Food Services

All meals will be served cafeteria style in the dining hall. Cooks are employed to prepare meals. Scouts should be clean, wearing appropriate shirts and pants (not swim suits) at all meals. We do not have a policy on specific uniform requirements for troops, though most troops have their scouts wear full "Class A" uniforms to dinner (as is required of our staff).

The camp will eat in two shifts per meal to limit the number of people in the dining hall at one time. You will be assigned to one of these two groups at check-in.



No campsite cooking will be allowed in accordance with state and county regulations.

Special Dietary Needs

The camp kitchen staff serves warm and nutritious meals for all participants. The kitchen staff will make every reasonable effort to accommodate special dietary needs. Options are served for vegetarian, gluten-free and peanut-free diets, however, not every dietary need can be met. Kitchen staff are happy to store and prepare any special foods brought by scouts. Any special dietary or physical needs must be requested when making camp reservations online.

For questions or concerns about special needs contact the camp office at (360) 796-4427 or info@campparsons.org.

Policy on Peanut Products at Camp

No peanut products, including peanut oil, will be used in the meals, snacks, cracker barrels, or any other food service provided in the dining halls of Chief Seattle Council camps.

While this prohibition is in place in the dining halls, those with allergies must be aware that camp trading posts may contain some peanut products. It is also important to note that peanut products may be brought to camp by individual Scouts or leaders without the knowledge of the camp staff or the Chief Seattle Council.

What to Bring to Camp

Troop

- Alarm clock
- Troop flag
- Battery or propane lantern
- Rope (limited supply available)
- Pushpins for bulletin board
- Program reference materials (also available at camp)
- Troop merit badge book library
- Blue cards (also available at camp)
- Clipboard
- First Aid Kit
- Troop accident insurance policy
- **Medical Forms and COVID-19 screenings and waivers for each participant**
- Patrol flags

Personal

- Sack lunch for Sunday
- Money for trading post (\$30-50)

Clothing

- **Face masks**
- Scout uniform
- Sweater or jacket
- Poncho or rain gear
- Hat or visor
- Jeans
- Hiking boots
- Pajamas
- Towel
- Swimsuit
- Closed-toed water shoes or old tennis shoes for the beach
- T-shirts
- Shoes and socks

Camping gear

- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping pad
- Pack or duffel bag

Toiletries

- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Towel/washcloth
- Comb
- Soap/shampoo
- Deodorant

Advancement Items

- Merit badge books
- Paper/pen/pencil
- Scout handbook

Camp Necessities

- Flashlight/batteries
- Compass
- Clothesline
- Personal first aid kit
- Pocket knife (no fixed-blade knives)

Optional

- Day pack
- Sunglasses
- Fishing gear
- Camera

* Swimsuits must be modest. For males, tight fitting swim briefs or swim bottoms short enough to allow exposure are not allowed. Modest tankinis or one-piece swimsuits are appropriate. One-piece competitive style, or gym suits, or two-piece (not bikini) suits are suitable for females. Bikinis are not allowed.

Cell Phones and Personal Electronics

Camp Parsons does not have a policy regarding scouts bringing cell phones or other personal electronics to camp – we leave that decision up to the troop's adult leadership. Our recommendation, however, is that personal electronics be left at home or in the car for the week. The outdoor experience is better enjoyed without the distraction, plus it eliminates the worry of theft.

(Our policy for camp staff is that they do not carry cell phones during program hours.)

Uniform

We do not have a policy on specific uniform requirements for troops, though most troops have their scouts wear full "Class A" uniforms to dinner (as is required of our staff).

Adult Leaders

Troop Leadership

It is the policy of the BSA that **all** adults accompanying a Scout troop to a resident camp or other Scouting activity lasting 72 hours or more **must be registered as a leader, including completion of a criminal background check and Youth Protection Training**. This applies to every adult who comes to camp to serve as a leader for the unit.

- This requirement applies to any adult accompanying a Scout group on a single Scouting activity where they are present for three or more nights (not necessarily consecutive)
- These adults must be registered as leaders, including the completion of a criminal background check and Youth Protection Training before the activity. (Background checks cannot be expedited)
- This is meant to enhance the "safe space" for overnight Scout activities.
- While incidents are rare, this will serve as an added layer of protection for our highest risk activities.

Your Scoutmaster and other carefully selected BSA registered adult leaders should accompany your Scouts for their week at camp. A minimum of two BSA-registered adult leaders are required for each troop at camp at all times the entire week. For female troops, at least one adult leader must be female. The camp staff will work with your leaders to help your troop meet their camp goals. Day-to-day supervision and discipline are the responsibility of the troop. At no time may a unit be in camp without two-deep leadership.

Policy for Adults at Camp

1. Only registered Scouts or BSA-registered adult volunteers can stay overnight at camp. Cub Scouts, Webelos or small children are not allowed to stay overnight.
2. A minimum of two BSA-registered adult leaders must be with their troop the entire week. One BSA-registered adult leader can trade off with another during the week and that is considered one adult position, however this is discouraged.

Provisional Troop Leadership

Those scouts attending on their own will either be grouped with other provisional scouts into a provisional "troop" with camp staff supervision or will be incorporated with a troop attending that week under the supervision of the troop's leadership.

Adult Leader Activities

Scoutmaster Meeting

Once a day our staff meets with the adult leaders in camp. These meetings give the troop leaders a chance to make meaningful comments and suggestions to permit prompt attention by the staff and to go over the activities for the following day.

Due to limited space and to allow for physical distancing, only one leader from each troop will be allowed to attend this meeting.



Pre-Camp Leader's Meeting

A representative from each troop will be required to attend the Pre-Camp Leader's Meeting (webinar). We strongly suggest that this be someone who is attending camp with the troop. You can register online for this meeting via a link on the [Summer 2021 FAQ page](#)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021 AT 6:30 PM

Program Highlights

A Typical Day at Camp

This summer's schedule will be different than in years past. Each session will be divided into "pods," the size of which will be determined by the current guidance from state and local public health officials. Depending on the size of your troop, you might all be in one pod or you may be divided into multiple pods. Each "pod" will move as a group to the various program areas. When at each program area, there will be various options to choose from, including the area's typical "troop time" or "free time" activities, or working on Merit Badges that the area offers. More details will be provided at the Pre-Camp Leaders Meeting and at check-in as well as at daily scoutmaster meetings.

Camp Activities

Archery

The archery range is available to all campers for recreational and merit badge work. In the Archery Merit Badge classes, scouts not only concentrate on their target scores and proper use of the bow, but also on learning to make bow strings and arrows.

Rifle Shooting

We use .22 caliber, single shot, bolt action rifles. The shooting sports director is certified in the use of rifles and their safe instruction. The Rifle Shooting merit badge is offered at Camp Parsons. Some Scouts may need additional practice to successfully complete the badge. There is a fee for the merit badge class (for unlimited use of the range) and individual tokens may be purchased at the trading post as well, for troop time or free time shoots. **Personal firearms and ammunition are strictly prohibited at camp.**

Aquatics

Located on Hood Canal, Camp Parsons offers many unique waterfront opportunities. There will be plenty of opportunities for swimming and boating. A wide variety of aquatics merit badges are offered, as well.

Craft Lodge

More Scouts earn merit badges from the Craft Lodge than any other area in camp. Advancement opportunities include Leatherwork, Basketry, Art, and Woodcarving merit badges, among others. Some merit badges, such as Fingerprinting, can even be earned during a single troop time. The material cost varies for these merit badges, and some require purchasing supplies from the trading post.



Scoutcraft

Axe Yard Scouts can learn the proper way to handle an axe, bow saw, knife and other wood tools. Use, maintenance, care, sharpening and storage of these tools are reviewed.

Cooking Area Demonstrations cover a variety of skills and menus. Learn to use and care for a Dutch oven, and fill it with an appealing meal. See the cookout demonstration, learn utensil-less cooking and wilderness gourmet cooking.

Lashing/Pioneering Troops have the opportunity to learn the skills needed to construct pioneering projects. Instruction is given on lashings, knots and structures.

Orienteering Instruction can be given on map reading and orientation. Use a compass and apply these skills on the camp compass course.

Merit Badges Orienteering, Pioneering, Cooking and Camping merit badges are offered. Most Scout-craft badges require work outside class sessions and your Scouts should be prepared to set aside time for them.

Climbing Tower

Our climbing tower is 32 ft. tall and is used for climbing and rappelling (scouts must be 13 years old to climb). There is also a bouldering wall for the younger scouts.

Camp Features and Special Programs

Saltwater Beaches

Werner Beach features canoes, rowboats, motorboats and sailboats. Its historical 550-foot-long pier is the longest of any scout camp in the country. There are no facilities for boat moorage.

Loody's Beach (swim/central beach) is where all swimming occurs. Old tennis shoes or aqua socks are highly recommended to protect your feet from rocks and oyster shells. Every camper and adult who uses the beach must take a swim test to determine their swimming ability. We also offer swim lessons for scouts who are not able to pass the swim test.

Mystery Beach is located opposite the Dining Hall on the east side of camp. It is perfect for beachcombing and rock-skipping.

Fort Duckabush

The camp museum shares the continuing tradition and unique history of Camp Parsons. During your stay, please stop in and learn about our history.

Hullabaloo

After lunch on Friday, a camp-wide competition will be held across all of camp. Groups will have opportunities to demonstrate their teamwork and enthusiasm in a wide variety of activities and challenges.

Honor Troop

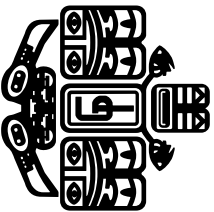
The Honor Troop Award is the highest award any troop can receive during their stay at Camp Parsons. It is difficult to earn, but each troop is capable of completing the requirements. The Senior Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster are responsible for working together to guide the troop towards finishing each of the twelve points.

Weekly Schedule

CAMP PARSONS WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Each pod/cohort will be given an activity/program area for each of the blank spaces below.

You will be given your group's specific rotation schedule and assigned meal times once you arrive at camp.

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6:30	WELCOME TO CAMP PARSONS! 	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	6:30 Clean-Up
7:45		Breakfast A	Breakfast A	Breakfast A	Breakfast A	Breakfast A	Breakfast Delivered to your Campsite
8:15		Breakfast B	Breakfast B	Breakfast B	Breakfast B	Breakfast B	
9:00							
		10:00 daily – Scoutmaster Meeting at Silver Marmot Grill – ONE Adult Per Troop					8:00 Tool Shop Closes
10:00							
11:00							
12:15	1:00 Gates Open	Lunch A	Lunch A	Lunch A	Lunch A	Lunch A	9:00 Camp Closed
12:45		Lunch B	Lunch B	Lunch B	Lunch B	Lunch B	
1:30	Check-in, Camp Tour, Health Screening, Swim Checks, Set Up Camp					HULLABALOO! Camp-Wide Patrol Competition	THANK YOU FOR VISITING CAMP PARSONS! SEE YOU AGAIN NEXT YEAR!
2:45	4:15 Scoutmaster Meeting at SMG						
4:00							
5:30	Dinner A	Dinner A	Dinner A	Dinner A	Dinner A	Dinner A	
6:15	Dinner B	Dinner B	Dinner B	Dinner B	Dinner B	Dinner B	
7:15							
8:30							
10:00	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps	

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Camp Rules

THE SCOUT LAW IS THE LAW OF THIS CAMP

1. No scout is allowed to leave camp after check-in without a release from his/her parents or scout leader. They must be accompanied by an authorized adult while out of camp and must sign out at the camp office before departing. When releasing a Scout into someone else's custody, you must be sure that person is authorized to do so.
2. **If a scout is found outside of camp property, they will be sent home immediately. This includes crossing the county road instead of using the culverts that were designed for this.**
3. No trees may be cut down without the approval of the camp director or ranger.
4. Scouts must stay out of other troops' campsites unless invited. Off-limit areas include Camp Director's and Ranger's homes and yards, maintenance areas, and staff quarters.
5. All fires must be attended by an adult at all times and must be no higher than the smallest scout's kneecaps (subject to change during burn bans). Troop fireguard chart must be posted and followed (provided on arrival to camp)
6. No flames of any kind in tents.
7. All liquid fuels must be stored in the camp fuel locker. Liquid fuels must be used under adult supervision only.
8. **No FIREWORKS may be kept or used in camp. Anyone found with fireworks, regardless of whether they use them, will be sent home.**
9. No personal firearms or ammunition are allowed.
10. No intoxicating beverages or illegal drugs (including marijuana) are allowed on camp property.
11. No dish washing in the washstands or latrines. It clogs the drain fields!
12. Please leave your campsite/cabin/latrine area better than you found it.
13. Improper nudity in camp is unacceptable.

Fire Prevention

Smoking Because it is a bad example for our scouts and a fire hazard, smoking is discouraged among leaders while in camp. If leaders must smoke, they are asked to use designated smoking areas and not to smoke in the woods, on the trails or in front of the Scouts.

Campfires Water buckets and fire tools must be conveniently placed near any troop campfire site (provided). If the forest fire danger is elevated, fires may be banned altogether. This information will be provided at the daily Scoutmaster meetings during camp.

Lanterns It is best to use battery powered lanterns. Remember, no flames of any kind in tents.

Fireworks None are permitted in camp. Anyone possessing or using fireworks will be sent home immediately.

Fire Drills Fire drills are held during each week of summer camp.

Advancement Information

Merit Badge Program

Camp Parsons offers a wide variety of merit badges. To best enjoy their camping experience, it is suggested that Scouts earn around three merit badges during their session, depending on their difficulty.

While visiting the different program areas, groups will be given the option to work on a variety of merit badges. Your staff guide can also help your scouts work on merit badges in your campsite. **Merit Badge registration will not be done ahead of time this summer.**

Trail to First Class

We will not be able to offer a dedicated Scout Skills area with the modified schedule this summer. However, your scouts can still work on these requirements during program rotations or in your campsite. Your staff guide will be an excellent resource for this.

- New Scouts may work on Tenderfoot through First Class rank requirements simultaneously.
- Camp staff does not sign off requirements in the scouts' handbooks. The knowledge and skills they have developed during their week should be evaluated by troop leadership to determine which requirements have been met.



Parent Information Sheet

Camp Parsons Office
(360) 796-4427

Sunday: 12:30 – 4:45 PM, 7:15 – 8:30 PM
Mon-Fri: 9:00 – 11:45 AM, 1:30 – 4:45 PM, 7:15 – 8:15 PM
Saturday: 6:30 AM – 8:30 AM

Chief Seattle Council Camping Department: (206) 725-0361 (Mon-Fri)

Make sure your scout has packed everything they need, including medicines and their Annual Health & Medical Record form Parts A, B, and C, signed by a doctor and parent/guardian.

Money Plan on sending \$30–50 per scout for the trading post and merit badge supplies.

Visiting Visitors will not be allowed at camp this summer due to COVID-19.

Departure Please arrive to pick up scouts by 8:45 AM. Camp closes at 9:00–9:30 AM.

Mail Address mail with your scout's name and their troop number. Plan on sending mail at least 3 days before you would like it to arrive, **no later than Wednesday of your session.**

Prepare your scout for the following...

Adult leaders are volunteering their time and want to help the kids have fun and grow. They are not babysitters. Be sure to prepare your Scout and communicate any concerns or special needs with your adult leaders in advance of camp.

Scout's Name, Troop Number
Camp Parsons
970 Bee Mill Rd
Brinnon WA 98320

Personal Management While at camp your Scout will enjoy a higher degree of freedom and responsibility than they are probably accustomed to while at home. They will have to get to merit badge sessions and other activities on time, perform various duties within the campsite (including doing dishes, taking out trash, etc.), and be responsible for their behavior with limited adult supervision. They will have many opportunities to demonstrate leadership within the troop and should be actively participate and volunteer.

First time away from home? For younger Scouts, being away from home for an extended period can be hard. Please prepare your child by letting them know how proud you are that they are spending a full week away from home and having fun. Tell them that the first few days might be hard as they get used to being away from home, but that by finding activities they enjoy, they will enjoy themselves.

Finances It is recommended that an adult from your troop serve as a 'banker,' giving your scout their spending money in small amounts at a time. If your Scout is not used to spending money without supervision, please prepare them so they do not eat too much candy and instead spend money on things like merit badge supplies.

Don't forget to bring...

Water shoes! Our beaches have rocks and oyster shells, so please have your scout bring either sandals (closed-toed preferred) or an old pair of tennis shoes that can get wet.

Scout Handbook Scouts who earn First Class in their first year of Scouting are far more likely to stay involved and earn Eagle, so if your scout is not yet First Class, please have them bring their handbook and encourage them to participate in the Trail to First Class program.

*Please also review the COVID-19 Playbook
on the [Summer 2021 FAQ page](#)
for the latest COVID-19 information.*

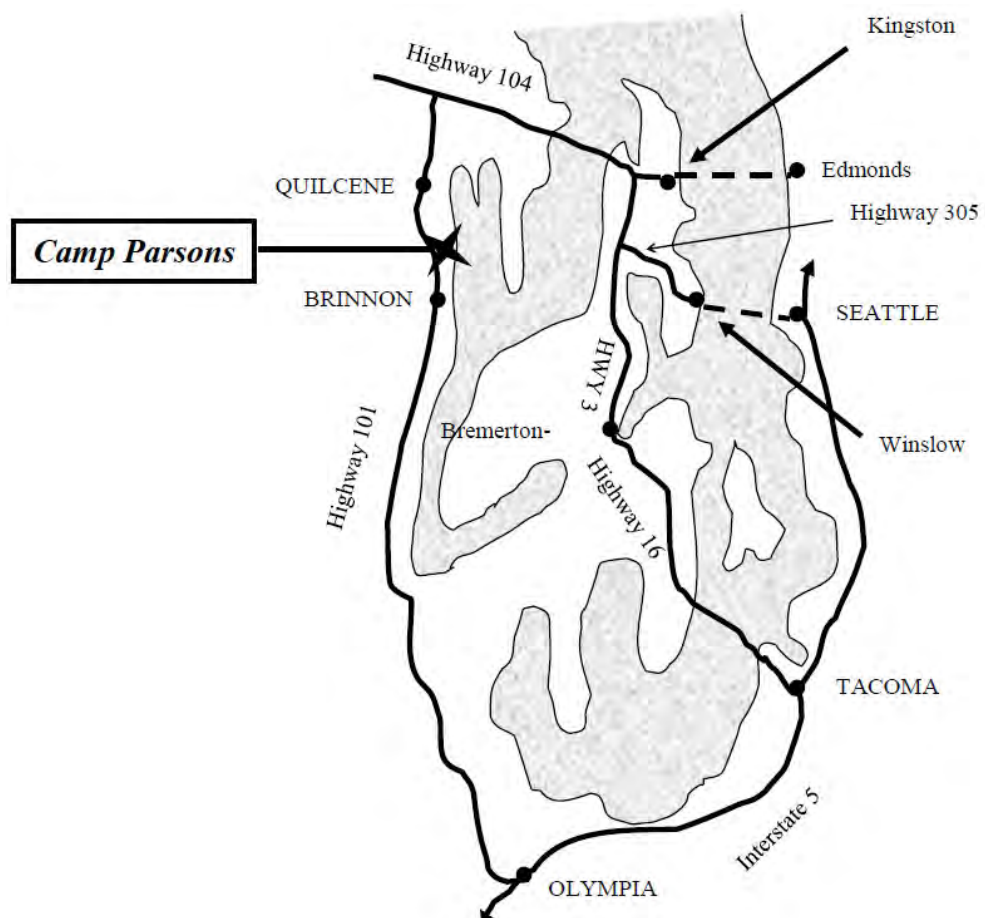
Directions to Camp Parsons

From Seattle Take the ferry to Bainbridge Island. Follow Hwy 305 to Hwy 3. Turn right on Hwy 3 and go to the Hood Canal Bridge (Hwy 104). Continue across the bridge on Hwy 104 and take the Quilcene exit. Take a right from the off ramp and head south until you reach the town of Quilcene. Take a left onto Hwy 101 and travel for approximately 8 miles until you come to milepost 303 and take a left off of Hwy 101 onto Bee Mill Rd. The camp is located roughly 9/10 of a mile from 101 on the right.

From Edmonds Take the ferry to Kingston and follow Hwy 104 to the Hood Canal bridge and follow the directions as above.

From Tacoma From I-5, take the Hwy 16 exit to Gig Harbor. Follow Hwy 16 through Gig Harbor to Bremerton and continue on Hwy 3 to the Hood Canal bridge and Hwy 104. Follow directions as above.

From Olympia and South Head North on I-5 and take the Hwy 101 exit and head west on Hwy 101. From this road take the "Shelton/Hwy 101" exit and continue north on Hwy 101 through Shelton and along the west side of the Hood Canal to Brinnon. Travel through Brinnon on Hwy 101 for roughly 3 more miles to milepost 303. Take a right onto Bee Mill Rd and travel 9/10 of a mile. Camp will be on the right side.



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Chief Seattle Council 2021 – COVID – 19 Playbook/Safety Plan

Please note, this is an evolving document, and as information changes, so will our COVID-19 guidelines for Summer 2021.

Introduction:

Chief Seattle Council (CSC) has spent the last several months monitoring how the camping industry has responded to COVID-19. While most camps did not open during the 2020 summer, several camps did open with success when proper protocols were followed. The camping industry has learned from these successes and learned how to adapt program to have a quality experience. We have taken these camps' experiences alongside recommended practices to create this document to operate camp safely in 2021.

The information surrounding COVID-19 is constantly changing and evolving. This document organizes our procedures published by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and American Camp Association (ACA). The current guidelines outlined below intend to provide camp families and staff with information about how CSC is adopting policies and procedures to mitigate the risk of COVID-19. These guidelines have been created in consultation with the Chief Seattle Council Risk Management Committee, county health departments, and outside experts.

These health protocols Phase 3 guidance from WA state and may adjust as we continue to review the latest data and guidance from public health officials.

Important Note: Precautions cannot fully prevent the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at Chief Seattle Council camps. Persons with COVID-19 may show no signs or symptoms of illness, but still spread the virus, and people may be contagious before their symptoms occur. It is possible that someone with COVID-19 may pass the required health screenings and be allowed into camp.

Preparing for Camp:

- All **youth campers under the age of 18** must do one of the following before arriving at camp: 1) be fully vaccinated, OR 2) received a negative COVID test no more than three days prior to arrival and remain in quarantine between test and start of camp. Documentation will be required at check in.
 - **Testing sites locator – [Click Here](#)**
- All staff and adult volunteers attending camp must be fully vaccinated prior to arrival at camp. Documentation will be required at check in. Individuals are considered “fully vaccinated” against the virus two weeks after receiving the second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, or two weeks after receiving a single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.
- Unit Leaders will be required to attend an online Leaders Meeting addressing the changes to camp for the 2021 season.
- BSA Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist and COVID-19 waiver will be required for each participant 1-2 days prior to camp. These documents must be submitted upon arrival.
- Sick individuals (temperature above 100.4 °F) are not eligible to attend Chief Seattle camping programs.

- Health form requirements as determined by the Boy Scouts of America will be followed – status of these requirement will be updated on the [Summer camp 2021 FAQ](#) webpage.
- Units must communicate to participants and their immediate household that everyone should ensure proper social distancing two weeks prior to attending Chief Seattle Council camps.
- All members of the unit must have at least a 2oz. bottle of hand sanitizer on their person and use it frequently.

Check in/Screening:

- Units will park in main parking lot and stay in their vehicles until a staff member comes to check them in. Procedures for each camp will be discussed during required leaders meeting.
- It is recommended that households travel together when traveling to camp. In the event this does not happen review the CDC guidance to [protect yourself when using transportation](#).
- If youth or adult in the vehicle has symptoms, fever, or have been in known contact with an individual with COVID-19, the vehicle will be sent home.
- Face masks will always be required even if vaccinated.
- Late arrivals will be allowed if communicated with leadership in advance and participant follows the same check in procedures.

Sanitations Protocols:

Sanitation protocols will follow CDC guidelines.

Enhancements:

- Increased access to handwashing or sanitizer stations across camp.
- Hand sanitizer and or hand washing stations will be provided in every building and high traffic areas.
- Handwashing will be required prior to all meals.
- Our staff will clean all bathrooms, shared spaces, and high traffic areas multiple times each day.
- Bathrooms will be sanitized frequently throughout the day between deep cleanings.
- Program equipment will be sanitized before and after a pod/cohort uses it.
- Additional signage will be posted through camp as a reminder of these health protocols.

Mask Policy:

CSC campers and staff must wear masks except when eating, sleeping, showering, and in some program areas such as Aquatics. This policy will be in effect even if vaccinated.

Safety Plans:

This document will serve as the safety plan specific to the CSC properties. These measures will be posted in the leaders guides alongside available at properties.

If a participant develops symptoms that could be COVID-19 during or following camp, members of their pod/cohort will be notified in coordination with local health departments.

Quarantine areas for camps will be camp specific and will be reviewed upon arrival at camp.

All testing will be done off site at partner facility determined by the property. In the event testing is needed leaders will be responsible for transportation of youth.

Testing Sites - these sites are subject to change based on availability.

Camp Edward and Pigott: Evergreen State Fairgrounds – 14405 179th Ave SE, Monroe WA 98272

Camp Parsons: Jefferson General Hospital – 834 Sheridan St. Port Townsend WA 98368

If there is a confirmed positive case of COVID-19, we will notify all campers' unit leaders by phone, while maintaining confidentiality consistent with the current privacy laws. We are unable to share names or identifying information regarding medical information for any camper or staff member.

Each participant will receive a post event follow-up sheet with directions in the event a participant develops symptoms and tests positive 10 days after their session ends.

We are required to notify state and local health officials of any confirmed positive test.

Camper Orientation:

Campers will receive an orientation on the first day of camp to introduce staff, discuss general camp rules and updates to any operational guidelines. These items will include:

- What camp is doing to protect everyone from becoming ill
- Ground rules for operating in "smaller groups" or "pods"
- Handwashing protocols
- Physical distancing guidelines
- Mask wearing instructions and policies
- Dining hall procedures
- What symptoms to look out for and how to report them
- Daily temperature checks and when they will happen

Campsites:

- Units will be placed in pods/cohorts with their own campsite with shared bathroom and private showers. Each facility will be on a staff cleaning schedule.
- Cleaning chemicals that are used are based on the CDC recommendations.
- Units will have the option to bring additional tents dependent on the size of the campsite.

Camper Pods/Cohorts:

- Each sleeping group occupying a cabin, room, or tent shall be considered a pods/cohort of no more than 16 campers.
- Sleeping pods/cohorts of no more than 16 (if space permits) can be combined to create consistent daytime activity cohorts of no greater than 16 campers. Pods/cohorts should remain consistent for both daytime activities and sleeping in bunks/cabins/campsites together.
- A campsite will have multiple 16 campers' pods/cohorts.
- Pods/Cohorts will be encouraged not to interact with other pods/cohorts.

Activities/Program:

- Scout BSA units will have the ability to earn merit badges, these lists will be posted by May 2021.
- Merit Badge Sign up – will not happen prior to camp. Camp Pigott and Camp Parsons will have different models for sign up that will be discussed during the required leaders meeting.
- Scouts can work on other merit badges prior to camp. They will need to complete prerequisites.
- Assemblies – Pods/cohorts will have a designated location in which to meet (campfire, emergency drills, camp wide games)
- Limited exposure will happen for some staff activities that require specific training.
- Camp wide games – will look different and are in planning – these will be discussed during the required leaders' meetings.

Food Service:

- We will follow ALL food service guidance regulations from the county in which the camp is located.
- Food distribution will be “cafeteria style” with no contact by participants with common surfaces, serving utensils, and disposable or rolled utensils.
- All campers will eat with their pod/cohort's.
- Mealtimes will be staggered in some cases.
- Pods/cohorts have the option to eat outdoors whenever the weather allows.
- The kitchen and dining hall will be cleaned and disinfected after each meal.
- Dining halls will have windows/doors open when in use (open air), and have limited to 50% capacity, with a requirement of 6 ft distance between pods/cohorts.
- No campsite cooking will happen due to state/county regulations.
- *Camp Parsons, Pigott, and Edward will have different meal service plans – these will be discussed during the required leaders meeting.*

Trading Post:

- Trading post will be available and operate with limited capacity. More information will be provided to unit leaders at check-in.

Visitors/Returning to Property:

- We will be enforcing a strict “no visitors” policy.
- Youth who leave the property while attending camp will not be allowed to return.
- Adults are permitted to switch for other adults' leaders only if vaccinated and follow pre camp guidelines of quarantine. This is not recommended.
- Only campers and staff will be allowed onto camp property.
- Deliveries will have designated drop-off areas at each property.
- If essential services (i.e. propane delivery) do need to enter the property, drivers will not have any direct contact with campers or staff. They will be required to wear PPE and maintain physical distancing while on property.

Staff:

- CSC staff will be required to have vaccinations prior to staff training. The CIT and adult volunteer programs will not take place in 2021.
- CSC staff will be subject to daily medical review, mandatory illness reporting, and temperature checks. Staff will be required to:
 - Attend COVID-19 specific training
 - Socially distance from all non-assigned participants
 - Socially distance from the public whenever possible and adhere to social distancing when in public.
 - Wear facial coverings in common areas, retail, food service areas, and whenever prudent/possible.
- Staff will be assigned to “pods” or “cohorts” for the duration of the week, and will be trained on COVID-19 protocols and screened regularly.
- Program or specialty staff will interact with participants in program areas that require further training or skills to teach. These staff will follow all COVID-19 protocols and be screened regularly.
- The Camp Health Officer will meet the qualification of the Boy Scouts of America National Camp Accreditation Process (Standard SQ-405).

Conclusion:

It is important to note that this document reflects the current conditions if camp were to start today. While we can not promise that COVID-19 will not exist, we can commit to consistent safety measures and protocols being followed by our staff. We are committed to providing a safe outdoor experience for our participants. We will continue to update these policies and provide further detail when necessary.

Resources:

American Camp Association:

[Field Guide for Camps on Implementation of CDC Guidance](#)

National Camp Accreditation Standards:

[2021 National Camp Standards](#)

WA State Department of Health:

[Child Care, Youth Development, and Day Camps During the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)

[Outdoor Recreation COVID -19 Requirements](#)

Center for Disease Control – COVID -19 Resource Page:

[Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

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Forms Included:

Chief Seattle Council (CSC) – COVID -19 waiver

Boy Scouts of America Pre Screening Checklist

Post Camp Handout



Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing, the wearing of cloth face coverings, and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

The Boy Scouts of America, Chief Seattle Council (CSC) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, CSC cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending the CSC's properties, including Camp Edward, Parsons, Pigott or Sheppard, could increase your risk and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending CSC properties and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at CSC properties may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, CSC employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)'s attendance at an CSC property or participation in CSC programming ("Claims"). On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the Boy Scouts of America, Chief Seattle Council, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the CSC, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any CSC program.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Print Name of Parent/Guardian

Name of Participants(s)*

*If signing for multiple participants, enter names on back of this waiver

Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist

This is a tool to assist leaders in identifying potentially communicable diseases in advance of event participation. The intent of this checklist is to review with each participant their current health status both before departure and upon arrival at the event.

Has the participant had any of the following symptoms in the last 24 hours?

- ☐ Fever (100.4 F or greater)
- ☐ Vomiting
- ☐ Diarrhea

If the participant has fever, vomiting, OR diarrhea—**he or she should stay home.**

Has the participant had any of the following symptoms in the last 24 hours?

- ☐ Unexplained extreme fatigue or muscle aches
- ☐ Rash
- ☐ Cough
- ☐ Sore throat
- ☐ Open sore

If the participant has any two (or more) of these symptoms—**he or she should stay home.** If the participant has one of these symptoms, discuss any limitations and restrictions and consider having him or her stay home.

Participants who become ill should not return to the activity until they are cleared by a health-care provider.



Post-Event Follow-Up Sheet

COVID-19 is caused by a virus that can be spread by a person who does not have any symptoms. To best protect our communities and everyone in camp, we ask you to contact us if you, your child, or anyone in the household of the camper develop any symptoms that COULD represent COVID-19.

If you think you have developed ANY of these symptoms, please contact your Primary Care Provider (PCP) to discuss the symptoms and to determine if you need COVID-19 testing.

Symptoms: If you develop any ONE of these, contact your personal health care provider:

- Cough
- Increasing shortness of breath or difficulty breathing (Worse than usual)
- Fever (Over 100.4° F)
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- GI Symptoms (new nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea).
- New loss of taste or smell

Please call the Camping Department - 205-725-5200 if you have positive test for COVID19, develop these symptoms, or are admitted to the hospital for any of the above symptoms within 2 weeks of your departure from camp.

The 14-day window for you will end on: _____