



September 1, 2018

Dear Unit Leader,

The 2019 Five Rivers Council summer camp experience is just around the corner. We want to encourage all Scouts in our council to participate in a council summer camp experience, and hopefully your unit has been planning and fundraising to make that a reality.

As we do every year, we do have a campership account that is designed to help Scouts in our council who are hoping to have a Five Rivers Council summer experience. These funds are made possible from the annual Friends of Scouting campaign, the popcorn sale, the Endowment Fund and other events held during the year as well as individuals and organizations who understand the lifelong impact Summer Camp has on a Scout. This assistance is provided in the form of a "Campership" through the application and review process.

I am asking you to help us in this process. In the past we have unfortunately tracked units who have told parents to apply even if they do not need financial assistance. We have also had forms filled out for Scouts who are attending multiple other summer camps both in Scouting and outside of Scouting. This program is designed to ensure that Scouts whose families are lacking the necessary funds get the assistance they need to ensure their Scout can have a quality summer camp experience. I ask for your help to ensure all the applicants are truly deserving, as those who are not could have a negative impact on others who apply from their unit. The unit leader is to approve this application, please have the conversation with the parents in your unit to ensure those who need help receive it.

We are moving the Scouts BSA due date for this form to February 1, 2019, in order to allow unit leaders at least one month's notice to determine who will receive assistance, thus allowing ample time for fundraising to close the financial gap. The Cub Scout Adventure Camp and Day Camp due date will stay as March 1, 2019. A Scout is thrifty, therefore camperships cover only up to half the early bird fee, as each Scout should be able to raise the remainder through fundraisers, parents and other family members, as well as Charter Organization help.

We are asking those Scouts who receive a campership to write a thank you note/letter to the campership committee. These letters may also be shared anonymously with council leadership, those who support the campership program through donations and support, and others who may be deemed necessary. They can mail the thank you card to the Mall Store, thanks for your help with this.

If you have any questions about the Campership form or process, feel free to contact me:

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Yours in Scouting,

George Bacalles
Vice President of Camping
Five Rivers Council, BSA



2019 CAMBERSHIP APPLICATION



FIVE RIVERS COUNCIL, BSA
Boy Scouts due by February 1, 2019 / Cub Scouts March 1, 2019
to the Arnot Mall Scout Store

Purpose: Camperships are designed to supplement the Scout and Parent / Guardian, Unit, and Charter Organization's ability to ensure a Scout can participate in a Five Rivers Council summer experience.

Instructions: This form needs to be completely filled out including all signatures. All personal & financial information submitted in this application is kept strictly confidential. All the information is needed in order to ensure that we support as many Scouts as possible to come to a summer experience who are in need of assistance. Remember the 9th Point of the Scout Law, a Scout is Thrifty.

Scout and Parent / Guardian Information

Scout's Name: _____ Age: _____ Rank: _____

Unit Type: Pack Troop Unit #: _____ District Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Parent's / Guardian's Name: _____

Day Time Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Reliable E-mail Address: _____

Summer Camp Experiences in 2019

In order to provide as many Scouts an opportunity to have a summer camp experience as possible, we ask that you put down the summer plans for your Scout in 2019.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cub Scout Resident Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Cub Scout Day Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gorton Summer Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Scout Camp/NYLT | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Unit Trip |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religious/Music/Academic Camp | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BSA High Adventure Base | <input type="checkbox"/> Family (Disney, Sea World, etc.) | |

Campership Request

_____ # of Scouts attending FRC camps	_____ # of youth in the household
_____ # of family members in college	_____ # of adults in the household

\$ _____ **Gross annual family home income from all sources – Mandatory**

If your family makes more than \$70,000 gross family income, we encourage to have the unit / charter partner help ensure the Scout(s) have a summer camp experience.

Early Bird Cost of Camp: Boy Scout Resident Camp \$415 Cub Scout Resident \$210 Day Camp \$125

Cost of Camp: \$ _____

Less Cost Provided by the Scout / Family: - _____

Less Cost Provided by the Unit: - _____

Less Cost Provided by the Charter Partner: - _____

Net Campership Request: \$ _____

Camperships are limited to no more than 50% of a single camp session experience cost. We ask that you only ask for what is needed as we have limited funds to help as many Scouts as possible.

Day Camp – up to \$63
Cub Scout Resident Camp – up to \$105
Boy Scout: Up to \$208

Family Information – Mandatory to be filled out by Family

Campership funds are used to help Scouts enjoy a meaningful summer camp experience at a Five Rivers Council day camp or resident camp and are awarded to families with various needs including: unemployed head-of-household, medical hardship, low-income family, and other siblings attending camp. Briefly explain your need for campership assistance.

I understand that this is a request for financial assistance for my Scout to attend a Five Rivers Council Summer Camp program on the basis of financial need. Grants will be made on the basis of need and availability of funds and is in no way a guarantee of an award. I certify that this information is true and accurate.

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name: _____

Unit Information – Mandatory to be filled out by Unit Leader

Please provide as much information as possible to assist the Council Camping Committee in evaluating this application. Please include the level of participation of the Scout, his/her family in the unit, as well as other factors that should be considered. Did the unit participate in Family Friends of Scouting and Popcorn this past year?

As unit leader, I hereby certify the Scout above is in good standing, currently registered, and an active member of my unit. To the best of my knowledge all information provided is accurate.

Unit Leader's Signature _____ Date _____

Unit Leader Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Email: _____

If any information is not provided this application **WILL NOT BE** considered for a campership
Forms should be sent to:
Five Rivers Council, 3300 Chambers Road Suite 5190, Horseheads, NY 14845-5190

FOR COUNCIL USE ONLY:

Date Received: _____ Amount Awarded: _____

Approved Reason Not Approved: _____