

Summer Camp Leader's Meeting

McNeil Scout Ranch at Peaceful Valley

March 19, 2025





Tonight's Meeting

- We will be going through the content regarding the Program Guide and visiting the new website, Black Pug and talking about other items.
- **If you have questions, please type them into the chat. We will respond either in person in the meeting, or via chat.**
- **Please attempt to keep questions until the end, as many will be answered.**
- This meeting is being recorded. It will help with the quality if everyone uses the "mute" option in Zoom. Thanks!
- At the end, we will take any additional questions you have.



Meet The Team

- Jack Loats, Ranch Director
- Amy Bechtel, Program Director
- Kaitlyn Mearing & Meg Enright, Assistant Program Directors
- John Braselton, Camping Specialist
- JoLynne Conrad, Program Team Administrative Specialist
- Taylor Yexley, Health Aide



Safety Moment – Fire Safety

Environmental conditions

- Leaders should understand the local campfire regulations or requirements.
- Beware of current fire conditions, especially if it has been dry and windy. Check for any active burn ban.
- Consider wind direction and projected size of fire before starting.

Maintain your campsite

- Use an established campfire ring, if available, and keep your campfire size appropriate.
- Be sure your fire is a minimum of 15 feet from tents, shrubs, trees or other flammable objects. Always check for low-hanging branches above the fire.
- Store matches, lighters, and items used as fire starters in a secure waterproof box or bag outside of your tent. In bear country store away from your campsite.

Additives and Fire Extinguishing

- Additives to the fire are prohibited. This includes chemicals, accelerants, color-changers, and other flame-enhancing products like Magical Flames™.
- Avoid cooking over a fire where chemicals or additives have been previously used.
- Always extinguish campfires properly. Ensure campfires are completely cold-out. Do a test on cooled ash for any sign of heat before you consider the fire extinguished.

Emergency Response

- Never leave a campfire unattended. Prepare a unit fireguard, and practice it.
- Always have a shovel/rake and water or other extinguishing materials handy.
- Be prepared to respond to burns or someone on fire with “Stop, drop, and roll.”









Upcoming Important Dates

- April 1, 2025 – 80% of registration due
- April 23, 2025 – Final Leader's Meeting
- April Various Dates – Merit Badge Registration Opens (more info coming)
- May 1, 2025 – Final payment due



See the New Website!

ScoutingColorado.org → McNeil Scout Ranch



Summer Camp



*You may need to re-bookmark this page.

**We are still finalizing the transition. If you need something you do not see, email us!

***Some links in documents may be broken, we are working to correct that issue.



Registration

Registration Info

Camp Contact

CAMP CRIS DOBBINS SUMMER CAMP

Your Scouting Colorado Adventure Awaits

REGISTER FOR CAMP

2025 CAMP INFORMATION

2025 Session Dates

Week 1: June 8 – 14, 2025

Week 2: June 15 – 21, 2025

Week 3: June 22 – 28, 2025

Week 4: June 29 – July 5, 2025

Week 5: July 6 – 12, 2025

📞 Camp (303) 648-3023 *(June & July)*

✉️ General Camp Email [McNeil Scout Ranch](#)

+ Registration Fee

+ Payment Schedule

+ Cancellation & Refund Policy

+ Camperships



Merit Badge List

2025 MERIT BADGES & ACTIVITIES

- Hollywood
- Nature
- Eaglebound
- Scoutcraft
- Handicraft
- STEM

- Range and Target Activities
- Adventure & ATV's
- Silver Lake
- Gates Aquatics Center
- Horse Program

Quick Links to
Black Pug &
CampDoc

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS & LINKS

Documents & Links

Leader's Guide, Program Guide, Waivers, Rafting Info, Camp Maps, CampDoc Information, Special Diet Request Form **"All of the links and documents you may need to prepare for camp"**

Black Pug (Registration)

CampDoc (Medical Forms)

- Camp Documents
- CampDoc Medical Forms
- Accommodations
- Food Service



PRE-CAMP MEETINGS & COMMUNICATION

Pre-Camp Meetings Text Message Notifications

The Camp Management Team will be available to provide information about camp, any updates and answer any questions. The primary updates will be at the beginning of the meeting followed by a Q&A session. Meetings are virtual via zoom.

- Wednesday, February 19, 2025 - [Video](#) - Slide Deck - [AI Summary](#)
- Wednesday, March 19, 2025 - [RSVP Here](#)
- Wednesday, April 23, 2025 - [RSVP Here](#)

Meeting RSVP's and Documents

Text Message Sign Up Information

Camp Contact Information

CONTACT INFORMATION

General Camp Email Call the Camp: (303) 648-3023 (June & July Only)

JoLynne Conrad, Program Team Administrative Specialist Jack Loats, Ranch Director John Braselton, Camping Specialist

Program Directors: Amy, Kaitlyn & Meg Health Team Food Service Team Business/Trading Post Team



Text Messages

- **We had to purge the list. If you did not get the text tonight, you must re-register for these text messages.**
- Text message alerts – MSR uses a system that adult leaders can opt-in to receiving text messages with important information. At camp, important information will be shared including emergency information.
- To sign up, text the code below including the '@' to 81010.
 - Week 1: @ DOBW1
 - Week 2: @ DOBW2
 - Week 3: @ DOBW3
 - Week 4: @ DOBW4
 - Week 5: @ DOBW5



We've Transitioned to Black Pug!



Calendar Event Details

Lookup Sign In

Camp Cris Dobbins 2025

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Event Details



adventure!

Let The Adventure Begin!

Nestled in the middle of the Black Forest, Camp Cris Dobbins offers sweeping views of Pikes Peak and the front range of the Rocky Mountains. Scouts will have a hard time choosing between the more than 50 merit badges offered here, and will love spending time on the water slides at the outdoor pool, dusting a clay at the Olympic shotgun range, channeling their inner movie star in our Movie Making program, or pretending to be Indiana Jones at our STEM lodge archaeology dig site. The convenience of meals from our dining hall and sleeping on raised wooden platforms in canvas wall tents will allow Scouts to focus on the only thing that matters: their next outdoor

Contact

When & Where

Week 1

Camp Cris Dobbins

Sunday 06-08-2025 1:00 PM MT to

Saturday 06-14-2025 10:00 AM MT

Register

More Information

Week 2

Camp Cris Dobbins

Sunday 06-15-2025 1:00 PM MT to

Saturday 06-21-2025 10:00 AM MT

Register

More Information



Black Pug Things To Know

- We have transitioned all registrations from Doubleknot to Black Pug. **You will now log into Black Pug to edit your registration. Doubleknot is no longer in use.**
- You may have received an email about your registration. This is from us, and you can create a Black Pug account to see your registration.
 - All registrations are “guests” in the system. You will need to enter your email to find the registration and make a Black Pug account to maintain the registration.
- We are working to add the names of those registered to attend camp. If yours have not been added, feel free to add them, as we have to do it manually.



Black Pug Things To Know

- To find your registration on Black Pug, use the Lookup Registration button.
- Go to the Calendar Page – Lookup Registration

Scouting Colorado Home

Calendar Parent Portal **Lookup Registration**

Black Pug Tutorials

We've transitioned to Black Pug. Please watch out these tutorial videos on how to use Black Pug. [Council Event Calendar](#)

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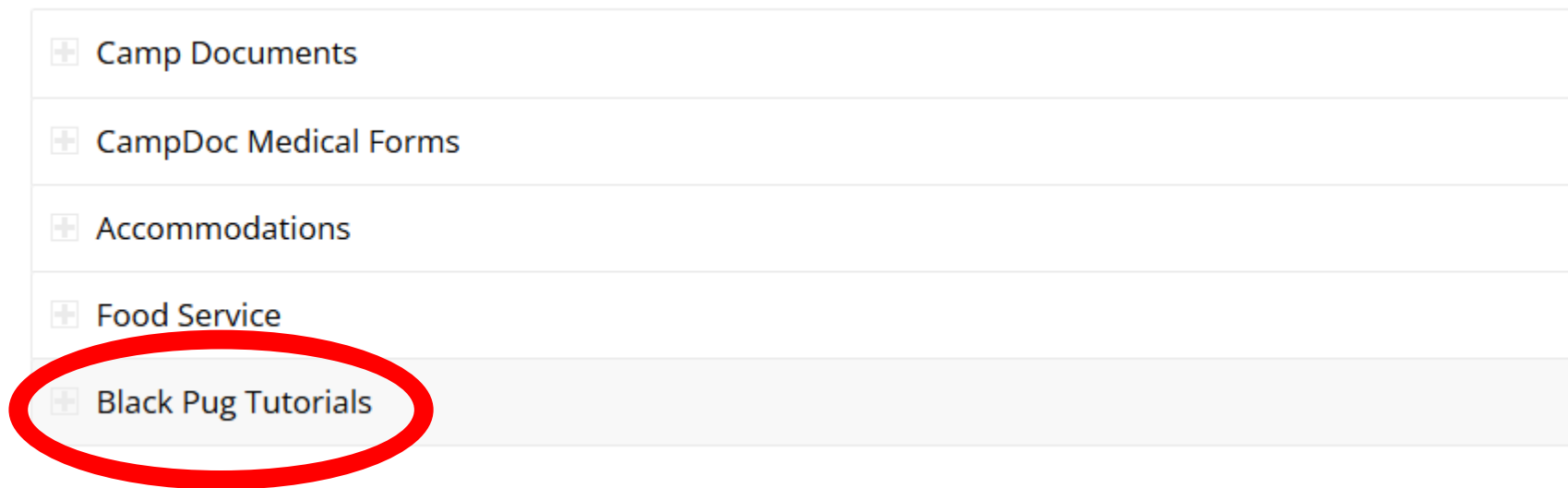
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 Registration is open Majestic Mesas	 No registration needed Valley	 Registration is open Council
Details/Register	Details	Details/Register
Majestic Mesas Merit Badge Rally Starts: 03-29-2025	Valley Roundtable MULTIPLE SESSIONS TO CHOOSE FROM	Emergency Service Corp Committee Meeting Starts: 04-02-2025



Black Pug Things To Know

- There is a library of tutorial videos, on the summer camp website under **IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS & LINKS**
- This includes a video on how to register for merit badge classes.





Black Pug Things To Know

- Black Pug & Camp Doc talk to each other. 😊
- You must go to each registered person, hit [Update Information](#) then [Link to CampDoc](#)
- You will need to enter some information into the pop-up window, then hit save and done.
- Black Pug and Camp Doc sync quickly (0-4 hours) but sometimes can take around 24 hours. Please be patient.
- The participant you linked to CampDoc will automatically be invited to CampDoc to start filling out forms.



CampDoc Things To Know

- Users will automatically be added to CampDoc once you hit the button in Black Pug. No more waiting for us to manually do this!
- Leader Access:
 - This process will look different from the last couple of years. Due to the Black Pug integration, we must add leaders to their unit's profiles a different way.
 - This way can be requested via the form on the website.
 - This is a manual process, by a part-time employee. Please be patient to get added to your unit's profiles.
 - Please Note: This will now email you reminders for **each** profile that is linked. Please prepare for this to occur. We suggest making an "email rule" to put these messages in a separate folder.
 - Once access is provided, you can view and edit each person's med form as well as print it out if you need it. (The camp takes these electronically, we do not need paper copies).



Clarification on Immunization Forms

- Youth are **REQUIRED** to have their immunizations on the state form. No doctor office print-outs, or “see attached” will be accepted.
- The record can be **TRANSCRIBED** to the form by the parent/guardian.
- **NO Doctor signature is required.**

COLORADO CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNIZATION



This form is to be completed by a health care provider (physician [MD, DO], advanced practice nurse [APN] or delegated physician's assistant [PA]) or school health authority. School-required immunizations follow the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) schedule. If the student provides an immunization record in any other format apart from this Certificate or an Approved Alternate Certificate (details found at odphe.colorado.gov/immunization/forms), the school health authority must transcribe the record onto this form. Note: Final doses of DTaP, IPV, MMR and Varicella are required prior to kindergarten entry. Tdap is required at sixth grade entry.

Student Name: _____ Date of birth: _____
 Parent/guardian:(if student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated) _____

Required Vaccines	Immunization date(s) MM/DD/YY				Titer Date* MM/DD/YY
HepB Hepatitis B					
DTaP Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (pediatric)					
Tdap Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis					
Td Tetanus, Diphtheria					
Hib Haemophilus influenzae type b					
IPV/OPV Polio					
PCV Pneumococcal Conjugate					
MMR Measles, Mumps, Rubella †					
Measles					
Mumps					
Rubella					
Varicella Chickenpox					
Varicella - date of disease		Varicella - positive screen date		*The shaded area under "Titer Date" indicates that a titer is not acceptable proof of immunity for this vaccine.	

In several instances, laboratory confirmation of positive titers are an acceptable alternative to written documentation of vaccination. A positive laboratory titer report must be provided to the school to document immunity. More information on titers can be found within the Colorado Board of Health rule 8 CCR 1009-2.
 † For DTaP and Tdap, both the diphtheria and tetanus titers must be positive. A titer is never acceptable to demonstrate immunity to pertussis.
 ‡ Laboratory confirmation of positive titers are an acceptable alternative to the MMR vaccine only when titers for all three components (measles, mumps, and rubella) are positive.

Recommended Vaccines	Immunization date(s) MM/DD/YY			
HPV Human Papillomavirus				
RV Rotavirus				
MCV4 Meningococcal				
MenB Meningococcal				
HepA Hepatitis A				
Flu Influenza				
COVID-19				

Health care provider printed name/signature: _____ Date: _____



Pop Quiz!

- **How long does it take Jack to cook minute rice?**
 - A. 60 seconds**
 - B. 58 seconds**
 - C. 90 seconds**
 - D. 30 seconds**

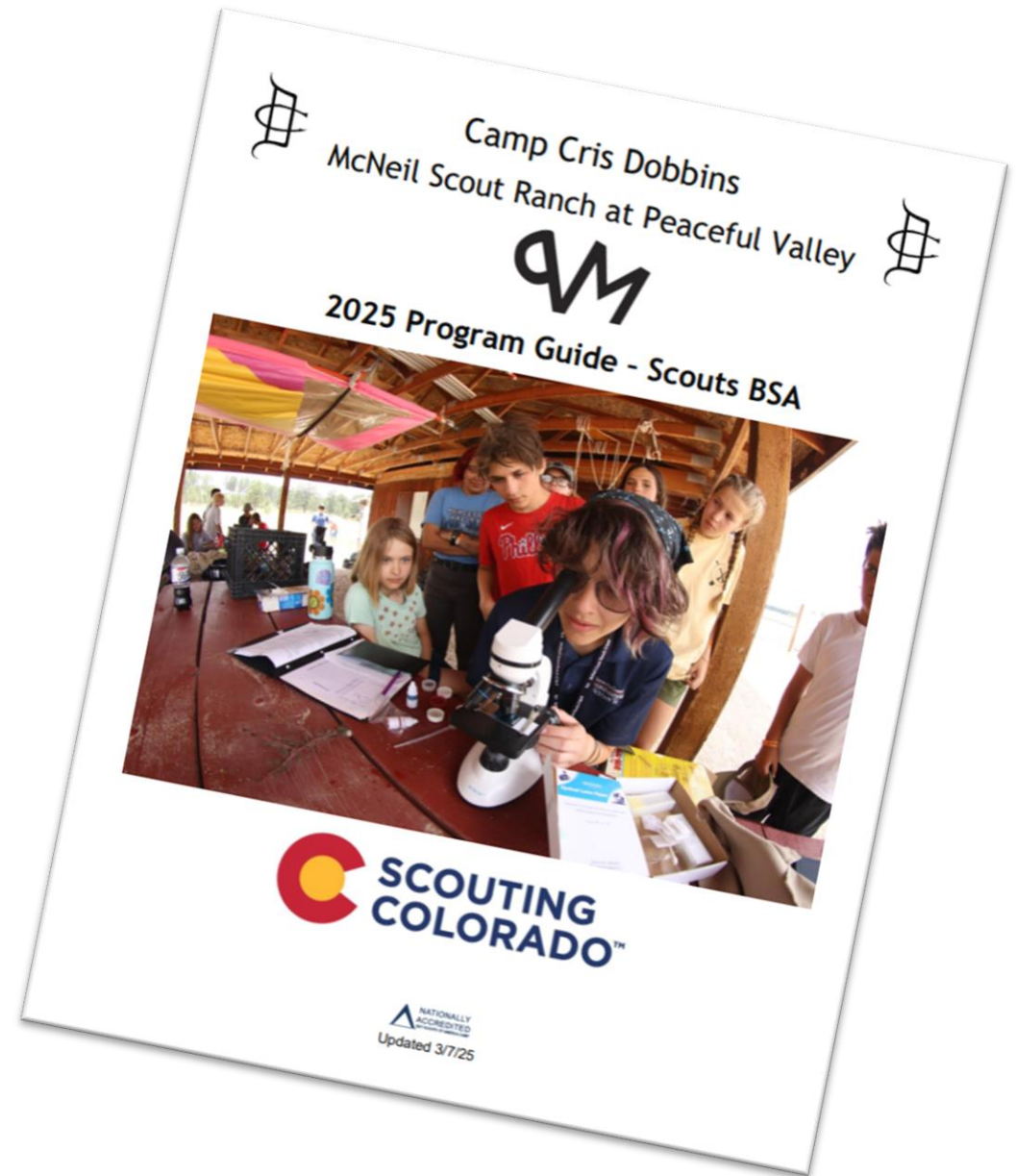


Program Guide

A temporary link is on the website or use the QR code below.



Camp Cris Dobbins Program Guide





Program Guide – Page 4

This summer, our journey begins at the Camp Cris Dobbins Detectives Agency (the C.C.D Detectives) where we will help defend MSR from the Vicious Organization of the Insidious Detectives (V.O.I.D) who are secretly trying to seize control of the Agency. Our mission, should we choose to accept it, is to stop the V.O.I.D from hijacking the C.C.D Detectives, infiltrating MSR, and stealing the Top-Secret gadget, which if nabbed would give them unlimited power.



Amy Bechtel
Program Director



**Kaitlyn Mearing &
Meg Enright**
Assistant Program Directors



Email for All Program Directors: MSRDobbinsProgram@Scouting.org



Program Guide – Page 5

The tentative schedule is included – **final copies will be provided at camp.**

The schedule is the same from 2024, with the addition of morning activities.



2025 Program Guide



Camp Schedule - SUBJECT TO CHANGE - Final schedule will be given at camp.



Camp Cris Dobbins Schedule 2025



Sunday

- 1:00pm – Troop Check in Begins
- 5:45pm – Opening Flags @ McKenzie’s Range
- 6:00pm – Dinner
- 6:45pm – Scoutmaster Meeting with Management
- 7:30pm – Opening Campfire (Meet @ Ft. Garland)
- 10:00pm – Lights Out

Monday-Tuesday / Thursday-Friday

- 6:00am – Mile Swim Practice @ Pool (M, Tu, W, Th)
 - Polar Plunge @ Lake (M, Tu)
 - 5k Run (Thursday Only – Sign up at HQ by Wed. Night)
 - Mile Swim @ Pool (Friday)
 - Sunrise Hike (Friday @ Sam Meet @ McKenzie’s Range)
- 7:00am – Morning Flags @ McKenzie’s Range
- 7:15am – Breakfast
- 8:40am – 9:30am Session 1
- 9:00am – Commissioner’s Coffee (Adults) @ Gilwell
- 9:50am – 10:40am – Session 2
- 11:00am – 11:50am - Session 3
- 12:00pm – Lunch
- 12:45pm – SPL Meeting Under the Deck
- 1:30pm – 2:20pm – Session 4

Evening Activities:

- Sunday:** Opening Campfire
- Monday:** Campsite Host Time
- Tuesday:** Lodge Specials & Outpost
- Wednesday:** Troop Time
- Thursday:** Lake Party
- Friday:** Closing Campfire / Family Night

Open Time Activities 3:45-5:30pm

- Open Shoot** – Rifle, Shotgun and Archery – For Rifle and Shotgun, purchase tickets at the Trading Post
- Open Swim** - At the pool – First come, first served. If there is high demand, staff will rotate groups.
- Open Boating** - At the lake - First come, first served. If there is high demand, staff will rotate groups.

Medication Administration Times:

- Morning Meds: 6:45am-8:30am
- Lunch Meds: 11:30am-1:00pm
- Dinner Meds: 5:30pm-7:30pm



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Merit Badge Offerings and Schedule

Area/Class Days Periods Fee
Merit Badge Schedule

Merit Badge	Days Offered	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Fee
Handicraft							
Archaeology	Th, F	20	20	20			
Art	Th, F			20		20	\$5
Basketry/Leatherwork	M, Tu, Th, F	20	20		20	20	\$35
Model Design & Building	M, Tu	20	20	20			
Pulp & Paper	M, Tu			20		20	\$5
Sculpture/Pottery	M, Tu, Th, F		20			20	\$20
Woodcarving	M, Tu, Th, F		20	20	20	20	\$20
STEM							
Astronomy	M, Tu	20	20	20			
Space Exploration	Th, F	20	20	20			\$15
Chemistry	M, Tu			20	20	20	\$10
Cooking	M, Tu, Th, F		20			20	\$20
Electronics/Electricity	M, Tu, Th, F	20		20			
Metelworking	M, Tu, Th, F	12	12		12	12	\$10
Nuclear Science	Th, F			20	20	20	

All-week class

Mon/Tues Only

Thurs/Fri Only

Class Not Offered This Period

Class Capacity

Dual Period



How to Read the Merit Badge Schedule – Page 8

How To Use This Schedule:

- There are 5 class periods each day: Monday Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.
- Some classes are “single period” classes, some are combined over multiple periods.
- Classes are offered for either four (4) days or two (2) days.
- The numbers in the box under the class period indicates the maximum number of students for that class. Registration is first come, first served.

When Selecting Merit Badges:

- For each period, select a class that is either four (4) days long, or select two (2) classes to take that period, one on Monday and Tuesday and one on Thursday and Friday.
- For classes that are only two days long, on the other two days, it is not necessary to select a merit badge in the same program area.
 - *Example: One could select Game Design at Hollywood Monday and Tuesday, and Animal Science at Nature Thursday and Friday.*
- We recommend all Scouts sign up for a class each period. “Off-periods” are discouraged.
- When getting selections from Scouts, we recommend collecting first, second and third choices for each period in case they are full when registering.



July 25 - July 31 - Scouts BSA Resident Camp 2021

4801680817: BSA Service Area 1 Troop 5018

Participants **Payment** Reports

Registration Contact

Abernathy, Bob
Booked Sep 23, 2020 3:00 PM

Additional Cost: \$40.00
Amount Paid: \$-40.00
Paid in Full

Preview Information

Update Information

Additional Actions

Booked Sep 23, 2020 at 02:55 PM

Early discount ends 04-23-2021 11:00 PM

Payment Needed: Participants must be paid in full by the date above to receive the early discount pricing.

Regular Price:	\$4,500.00
Additional Fees:	\$40.00
Free Leader Ratio:	\$-400.00
Total Credit:	\$-40.00
Balance Due:	\$4,100.00
Pending Early Discount*:	\$-250.00
Balance*	\$3,850.00

*Troop fee payment in full by Apr 23 11:00 PM

10 Scout Dining Hall

Eisenstein, George
Booked Sep 23, 2020 3:00 PM

Regular Price: \$200.00
Early Discount: \$-25.00
Balance Due: \$225.00

Lincoln, Cole
Booked Sep 23, 2020 3:00 PM

Regular Price: \$200.00
Early Discount: \$-25.00
Balance Due: \$225.00

Update Information

Update Information

Lincoln, Janet
Booked Sep 23, 2020 3:00 PM

Regular Price: \$200.00
Early Discount: \$-25.00
Balance Due: \$225.00

Marsden, Paul
Booked Sep 23, 2020 3:00 PM

Regular Price: \$200.00
Early Discount: \$-25.00
Balance Due: \$225.00

Update Information

Update Information

Managing Class Schedules





Merit Badge Registration – Page 9

Merit Badge Registration Opens the Following Dates at 8:00am Colorado time.

- Weeks 1 & 2 – April 12, at 8am
- Weeks 3 & 4 – April 19, at 8am
- Week 5 – April 26, at 8am

Be sure to get Scout's first, second and third choices for each period. Once a class is full, you will not be able to register for it.



Program Guide

- Pages 11-28
 - Sorted by area, gives a list of class offerings, a description of the class, any age requirements or required information like e-courses and waivers.
- Pages 29-31
 - Gives an outline of additional program offerings, evening programs and morning offerings.
- Page 32
 - Gives an outline of adult leader offerings, more may be available at camp.



Attention Older Scouts!

DO SOMETHING AWESOME AT CAMP

ATV's are for older Scouts while at summer camp! Learn how to ride and operate All-Terrain Vehicles Safely!



ATV RIDERCOURSE

For Scouts who have no experience and want to learn how to operate an ATV and earn the RiderCourse certificate. Must be 14 years old. \$50 class fee. Must bring long sleeves and pants to camp for the class.

ATV EXPERIENCED RIDER

For Scouts who already completed the RiderCourse. Ride the trails all over the beautiful McNeil Scout Ranch. Must be 14 years old. \$50 class fee. Must bring long sleeves and pants to camp for the class.



Ride HORSES

Experience an awesome time riding horses at McNeil Scout Ranch this summer!

OPTIONS

Horsemanship Merit Badge for Beginners

Horsemanship Merit Badge for Experienced

Rides for Anyone!



HORSEMANSHIP MERIT BADGE BEGINNER RIDERS

- Double period in the morning

OR

- One period in the afternoon

EXPERIENCED RIDERS

- One period in the afternoon

RIDES FOR EVERYONE TRAIL RIDES

DINNER RIDES

OVERNIGHTER

You do not need to be taking the merit badge to ride!

*If available. Extra programs may not be available all weeks.



Whitewater Rafting

- Take your unit rafting on the Wednesday free day at camp!
- \$85(includes tip!)
 - *Retail is \$109 + tip*
- You must provide your own transportation to and from.
- Registration coming soon!





Know anyone looking for a summer job?



COUNSELOR IN TRAINING PROGRAM
IT'S BACK THIS SUMMER!
MUST BE 15 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER / LEARN HOW TO BE A GREAT CAMP STAFFER!
SIGN UP AT: WWW.ScoutingCOLORADO.ORG/CAMPSTAFF



Searching for
Camp Staff
Let's Help Make a Difference!

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