

Camp Coordinator Guide to Camp Sam Wood 2023



Camp Sam Wood Features:

- Your Iroquois Trail Council Friends and Family.
- A knowledgeable, cheerful camp staff.
- A full and varied Space themed activity schedule to challenge and meet the needs of your Cub Scouts & Webelos.
- A refreshing pool for swimming fun.
- BB and archery ranges to practice your marksmanship skills.
- A renowned trout stream perfect for catching fish and critters.
- Good food in our full-service dining hall.
- 2-person canvas tents in each campsite.
- A 300-seat campfire & fellowship ring.
- **And, most importantly, you and your Cub Scouts!**

Turn the page for 6 Steps to Camping at Camp Sam Wood this Summer!

SIX STEPS TO CAMP 2023

STEP 1) **Turn in your pack's Registration Commitment Form - Due: Sat., February 4th, 2023.**

This will hold your Pack's preferred site and session. Each site will hold an established minimum / maximum of campers. If your Pack either exceeds or falls below this number for your first site choice, the Camp Leadership reserves the right to assign your site.

STEP 2) **Attend Camp Program Launch Meeting – Wednesday, March 1st, 2023.**

This is a meeting for Cub Masters and Camp Leaders. We'll host the meeting virtually and in-person at the Council's Oakfield Service Center. This meeting will provide you with all the information your Pack needs to complete your planning for camp, including the final edition of the *2023 Program Guide*.

STEP 3) **Pay Early Bird Deposit Due: Friday March 31st, 2023:**

Camper deposit of \$50 per Cub. Individual Camper Deposits are non-refundable but transferable within your Pack. We must commit financial resources to hire staff and to purchase program and food supplies.

STEP 4) **Council Campership Requests Due: Friday March 31st, 2023**

Several generous organizations and individuals provide camp scholarships for Scouts who attend our Iroquois Trail Council camps. Camperships are intended to assist families of Scouts who suffer economic hardship. Camperships only cover a portion of the basic camp fee. Camperships are limited and are allocated to Scouts on a first-come, first-served basis with priority given to those Scouts who have tried to earn their way to camp through council- sponsored fundraisers.

STEP 5) **Fees are Due on or Before Friday June 2nd, 2023**

Camper Rosters (Adult and Youth) along with the balance of fees are due on or before this date to Oakfield Scout Shop. Blank roster forms will be available online and in person in late January.

STEP 6) **All Health Forms Due: Friday July 14th, 2023**

All Health Forms for adults, volunteers and campers are due to the Council Service Center for the Camp Health Officer to complete a review prior to camp.

Now for the Best Part - HAVE FUN AT YOUR CAMP SESSION:

Weekend 1 – Friday, July 28th – Monday July 31st

Weekend 2 – Friday, August 4th - Monday August 7th

What dance do all astronauts know? **The moonwalk.**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Youth Fees and Deadlines: The full camp fee will apply to all registrations and payments made after Friday June 2nd.

EARLY-BIRD DISCOUNTS:

- There is a discounted fee of **\$10** per youth per week if **payment is made in full by June 2nd, 2023.**
- An additional **discount of \$10 per youth** is available for any youth for whom the council receives a non-refundable **\$50 deposit on or before March 31st.**
- Please note that final payment in full is still required by the June 2nd deadline to receive the discounts.

LEADER FEES: \$115 per adult per session. This fee applies to all adults who attend camp. Your Pack will need to provide at least two adults to accompany, assist, and supervise the first 4 scouts and one more additional adult for every 4 additional scouts. unless 2 Packs have made advance arrangements to share a campsite and leadership responsibilities.

The full camp fee will apply to all registrations and payments made after June 2nd. Each site will accommodate an established minimum/maximum number of campers. If your pack either exceeds or falls below this number for your first site choice, the Camp Leadership reserves the right to assign your site or pair you up with another small group.

INDIVIDUAL 'SOLO' CAMPERS: If any Cub Scout can't make it to the session with the rest of the pack, **they can still attend as a Solo Camper.** Solo Campers will be placed into a mixed group with 2-deep leadership. They will enjoy the camp experience while making new Cub Scout friends. Please contact the office for more information on Solo Camper registration.

DEN CHIEFS - Den Chiefs are an integral part of the Cub Scout program and of resident camp. Older Scouts assist the adult leaders in teaching and leading the Cub Scouts. Den Chiefs do not provide adult leadership and are not counted toward the 2-deep leadership required at camp. Den Chiefs are campers themselves and may participate in many of the camp programs. The Den Chief fee is \$175.

Note Regarding Webelos and New Scouts: Current 5th grade Webelos Scouts who graduate into a Scout Troop in 2023 should attend Summer Camp with their new troop. Packs and troops should plan to facilitate on time payment for these new Scouts to attend Summer Camp. Leaders of new Scouts who join after the discount deadlines should call the Council Service Center for clarification of payment deadlines and amounts.

HOW CAN WE HELP ALL SCOUTS COME TO CAMP?

Don't let camp fees prevent a Cub Scout from coming to camp!

The Iroquois Trail Council offers 2 ways to help:

CAMP FUNDRAISER:

Packs and individual Cub Scouts are urged to participate in the spring fundraiser. This Easter-oriented sale will feature Gourmet Nuts from the Whitley's Peanuts Company. The sales are scheduled in Feb-March.

COUNCIL CAMPERSHIPS: Several generous organizations and individuals provide camp scholarships for Scouts who attend our Iroquois Trail Council camps. Camperships are intended to assist families of Cub Scouts who suffer economic hardship.

Camperships only cover a portion of the basic camp fee. Camperships are limited and are allocated to Scouts on a **first-come, first-served** basis with priority given to those Scouts who have tried to earn their way to camp through council- sponsored fundraisers. Applications will be available in early March at the Council Service Center as well as on the website: www.itcbsa.org. Campership applications are due by March 31st, 2023. Applications and awards are confidential, between the family and the unit leader, and when approved, a notification will be mailed to the Cubmaster. **Campership's cannot be transferred from one Cub Scout to another.**

2023 Camp Fees

- **Cub Scout - \$250**
- **Adult Fee: - \$115**
 - **Every adult who attends is required to pay this fee.**
- **Den Chief Fee: - \$175**

Early Bird Discount

Save up to \$20 per youth by participating in the Early Bird Program!
Here's How to Qualify!

- Must Pay a \$50 non-refundable deposit per youth by March 31st, 2023.
 - Must pay the balance in full by June 2nd, 2023.

REFUND POLICY: All requests must be received by **August 31** and must have the unit leader's signature to be considered for a refund. Also, we must be notified PRIOR to or during check in that a Cub Scout is not going to be in camp. **All requests will be subject to a \$25 cancellation fee.** Refund requests received **after August 1** will be subject to a **50% cancellation fee**. Requests for refunds received after **August 31** will not be considered. Camp fees are transferable within the pack; if you have an early cancellation, another Cub Scout could replace the Scout who can't attend.

Refunds will be granted only for the following circumstances:

- A new State-imposed Covid protocol that disqualifies a prospective camper.
- Illness of Scout prevents his attendance at summer camp.
- Illness or death in the campers' immediate family.
- Family relocation makes attending camp impractical.
- Mandatory attendance at summer school that is verifiable.
- A camper leaves camp for medical reasons certified by the camp health officer.
(Homesickness is not considered a medical reason.)