

Alligator District Cub Scout Day Camp PARENT GUIDE



June 19th – June 23rd 2023

Early Check In: Saturday, June 17th 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

*Location Sponsor:
St. Agnes Catholic Church*



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Dear Valued Campers, Parents and Leaders,

Thank you for choosing to attend the Alligator District Cub Scout Day Camp. Whether you are coming as a first-time participant or returning as an experienced day camp veteran, our program will deliver this promise: your pack will become much stronger for having attended our camp.

Please take time to familiarize yourself with our program and service offerings detailed in this guide. We encourage you to become familiar with our camp policies and practices so that together we can be sure our Scouts remain safe and healthy as they enjoy their activities.

The success of any camp depends on the quality of the staff. Our staff members have been selected based on their experience, training, ability to teach, love of Scouting and desire to make a lasting, positive impression on your unit. A great staff will deliver a great camp experience; ours is second to none.

Our staff will be providing Scouts with an experience that they will remember the rest of their lives. Parents are welcome to join in on the fun by registering and participating. We understand there are many opportunities for your Scouts during the summer, we appreciate you choosing to spend this time with us.

Yours in Scouting,

Brandy K Callahan

District Cub Scout Day Camp Director

Earn your way to Camp by selling Camp Cards!



The National Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the Southwest Florida Council have partnered to offer the 2023 Camp Card program. This initiative is designed to help Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts & Venturers EARN their way to Day Camp, Resident Camp or National High Adventure activities.

Program Highlights

- Card Pricing: \$10/card
- Individual Scouts earn a 50% commission on each card sold
- Sales may start March 1st, 2023
- Sales end April 30th, 2023
- Funds raised may be used to pay for activities such as Day Camp, Cub/Webelos Resident Camp, Boy Scout/Venturer Resident Camp, National High Adventure Camp or National Jamboree.
- This fundraiser's sole purpose is to help youth EARN their way to camp.
- You may place your unit's card order at your February district roundtable.



There are a limited number of cards available. Units may participate on a first come, first served basis. For more information please contact your District Executive or Bruce Hassy at (239) 990-6801.

Camp Card™ Front

The card front features three break off coupons consumers may use right away.



The card more than pays for itself with just the three break off coupons!

Camp Card™ Back

Customers may visit the website listed on the back of the card to self-select 10 more premium discounts



Get Access to over 400,000 offers in your hometown and throughout North America. Each card entitles the consumer to self-select up to 10 premium discounts from a custom BSA website powered by the Entertainment® discount network. Enjoy up to 50% savings in Dining, Shopping, Attractions, Travel, Services, and Online Deals. Simply print your savings or redeem at the merchant by showing your smartphone.

SEE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FLYER FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE BACK OF THE 2023 CAMP CARD



“Sell 19 cards and pay for Day Camp!”

Cub Scout Pack Information & Agreement

Thank you for your dedication to youth through Scouting! Cub Scout Day Camp is an excellent way to help your Scouts stay engaged in Scouting and continue the Family Scouting experience. The Cub Scout Pack and leadership has a role in promoting and ensuring a successful day camp! Below is a list of items for you to track to ensure every possible Scout attends day camp.

Fall

- Present day camp advancements and awards earned at camp.
- Contact the Day Camp director to record day camp meeting times.
- Give feedback on previous day camp and discover areas of need.
- Identify day camp parent liaison and encourage attendance to day camp planning.
- Identify Camp Card chair and support effort to enable youth to “pay their way to camp” with this fully supported Scout fundraiser.

Spring

- **Thursday, January 26, 2023 – Pack rep attends Camp Card Kickoff**
- Promote Day Camp at meetings, outings, social media, and emails to pack.
- Invite Day Camp/Resident Camp promotional team to give spirited presentation.
- Track registrants and ensure one (1) adult registers for every five (5) youth minimum. Encourage parents to invest in the program by volunteering.
- Ensure a successful camp card sale.
- Enlist parents who cannot volunteer during camp to assist with setup days, prep days, check-in, check-out, find lunch time entertainment, etc.

Camp

- Offer to do “Cubmaster minute” during lunch.
- Collect advancements and enter.
- Get feedback and forward to day camp director during camp.

Our pack understands the benefit of Day Camp to our scouts, families and unit. We promise to DO OUR BEST to fully staff with at least one (1) adult per five (5) youth, promote camp, and support the camp volunteers.

Pack #: _____ Signature: _____ Position: _____

Parent Information

Welcome to you and your Scout(s)! Day camp is meant to be a safe and fun experience for Cub Scouts. The day camp here in Collier County has seen tremendous growth recently but has been well supported and attended for many years. This section gives parents all the information needed to set the right expectation for the family including the Scout.

Day Camp Needs - Parent Engagement:

Day Camp is just like your unit and all of Scouting. Parents become volunteers and put forth a world-class program for youth, including their own children. Alligator District volunteers have determined that a safe ratio of supervision from each pack is one (1) adult for every five (5) youth onsite for all five days of camp. This is a minimum, not the ideal. Cub Scout Pack leadership is responsible for organizing parents to ensure every five (5) youth have an adult from their pack. Adults with packs then come together with others from Collier County to plan and organize an amazing program. If there are not enough adults, packs without volunteering adults will have their Scouts' day camp participation cancelled.

Parent Responsibilities:

- Camp Cards: Participate to lower cost or attend day camp at no cost.
- Ensure Scout(s) is a registered member of Boy Scouts of America.
- Register online and pay for each Scout's day camp attendance **BEFORE CAMP**.
- Ensure all forms are completed legibly with all information.
- Discuss proper behavior and expectations before camp.
- Review "Staff Guide" to find a way to participate in camp's success.
- Parent or emergency contact can be reached quickly at any time.
- Attend Sunday early check-in if possible (required for special needs or medications).
- Arrive at **8:30 am** for drop-off and **4:30 pm** for pick-up.
- Ensure each Scout has snacks, lunch, and all other items each day.
- Complete parent survey at the end of camp (electronic).

Timelines:

06/01/2023 – Registration Deadline (or first 100 Cub Scouts or limited based on volunteers)

06/08/2023 – Payment Deadline

06/17/2023 – 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm Early Check-in at camp location

Early – Saturday, June 17th, 12:00 pm Check-in Importance:

Tour the facility, get your car rider window card! Turn in health forms and camper code of conduct. Be ready for Monday morning drop off!

Who may attend Day Camp?

Cub Scout Participants: (Rising to 1st through 5th grades) – Registered youth BSA members with any Cub Pack in the United States. Shirt, program supplies & patch.

Which group do I select?	
Grade in August	1 st Grade → Tiger
	2 nd Grade → Wolf
	3 rd Grade → Bear
	4 th Grade → Webelos
	5 th Grade → Arrow of Light

New Cub Scouts: (Rising to 1st through 5th grades): New youth to Cub Scouts may join BSA online before camp at www.beascout.org or pay membership and camp registration through the day camp registration website and turn in a paper application. Invite your friends to join the adventure of Scouting! Shirt, program supplies & patch.

Volunteers

To volunteer, you must register directly with Brandy Callahan

Den Chief (no cost): 11 - 13-year-old registered youth Scouts BSA or Venturing members serving directly under their parent in a den. T-shirt provided for pre-registered 5 days of service.

Youth Event Volunteer (no cost): Any registered BSA youth 14 – 20 years old serving as general staff during day camp. T-shirt provided for 5 days of service.

All Youth volunteers must complete Den Chief Training online before camp and have Scoutmaster approval to staff.

Adult Personnel, Volunteers, or Staff (no cost): Any adult, preferably BSA registered, background checked, Youth Protection Trained and Day Camp Trained BSA volunteer. Planning ahead of time, join your unit as an adult and take youth protection at <https://my.scouting.org/>. Day Camp Training is mandatory, please see schedule. T-shirt provided for 5 days of service.

Cost to attend Camp? Current Cub Scout Members (\$95): Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light

New to Cub Scouts (\$176.25): Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light

- \$176.25 = \$95 day camp + \$25 (join fee) \$56.25 (9-month BSA membership) + BSA Youth application

Adult Volunteer Discount: \$25 for online pre-registered 5-day committed adult volunteer.

Additional shirts: \$12 for Youth Small to Adult XL \$15 for 2XL to 5XL

Payments:

Camp Card Funds: Units and parents are responsible for communicating with the Pack to arrange for day camp fee payments on-time. A \$10 fee will be assessed for missed deadlines.

Online or mail: Payments can be made online during or after registration with use of login information. Online Credit Card payments are assessed a 3% processing fee. Checks can be mailed to the Southwest Florida Council, BSA office in Fort Myers.

Who may not attend Day Camp?

- Scouts BSA youth younger than 14 years old without onsite parent.
- Adults who show up at pre-registration unannounced.
- Adults without a pre-approved assignment during camp.
- Walk-ups in any category.

How do I register for BSA Membership or Day Camp for Scouts and camp volunteers?

BSA Membership only if NEW to Scouting - www.beascout.org

Day Camp - Go to <http://www.swflcouncilbsa.org/>, click [View Full Calendar](#) > June > June 19 - June 23 > A - Cub Scout Day Camp

Who registers youth and adults for Camp?:

Parent (ideal): A parent registers their Scout(s) for day camp on the Day Camp registration page. The parent is responsible for timely payment and receives all communication. If the unit is paying part or all fees with Camp Card funds, the parent is responsible for forwarding the registration confirmation to the pack and arranging payment BEFORE payment deadline.

Unit (good when planned): The unit designates a day camp liaison who may also be on day camp staff. This person arranges promotion and tracks sign ups, collects payments made to the pack and arranges for a single payment to the council office. It is critical this person fully inputs each parent's contact information into the system so that the camp can contact parents before, during, and after camp.

Pre-camp Registration: Debi Ryan at the Southwest Florida Council Service Center

Phone Numbers: Voice: (239) 990-6794, Fax: (239) 936-7864

Onsite camp & membership help: James Giles

Daily Camp Schedule:

Monday - Friday

8:30 am – Drop-off in car line starts (no supervision available before 8:30 am)

4:30 pm – Pick-up starts

Drop off & pick up:

Due to the volunteer-based camp staff dynamics, Scouts cannot be dropped earlier than 8:30 am. Also, please arrive no later than 5:00PM. Have your ID ready and make sure to put every person picking up on your health form.

Location:

St. Agnes Catholic Church Parish Ctr; 7690 Running Bucks Ct., Naples, FL 334120

Navigation: <https://goo.gl/maps/6K3kUcVGYQGi4TgdA>

Dietary Schedule:

Monday - Friday – bring lunch, two hearty snacks, & water bottle

Snack Shack - \$3 max each is enough for drinks, snacks, cookies, etc. during lunch

Pack friends, dens, and requests:

Most Scouts wish to be with their friends to share the camp experience. Each age group is assembled in dens of manageable sizes. All Scouts will have the shared experience within each age group. Unfortunately, there is no way to guarantee who will be in their assigned “den” for the week. Volunteers do their best to put youth from the same pack in the “den”.

If you selected the wrong age group, please inform staff immediately for correction. Age groups are based on the rank/grade for start of school this coming August.

- Important Registration Note: Choose the age/grade/rank your Scout will be AFTER SUMMER IS OVER. Ask your Cubmaster if you are unsure. If your child was held back, choose the den level your child will continue with.

Advancements:

The purpose of day camp is fun! Advancements are not the core focus. Many partial advancements may be completed and will be redone during den activities. It is the responsibility of parents and leaders to record advancements earned at camp for each Scout. A certificate is given to parents and summaries are emailed to the leaders.

What to bring each day:

Consult the attached checklist. Lunch and Water bottle are required.

What to wear each day:

Due to security, each camp participant and staff member needs to wear the official camp shirt. Additional shirts are available during online registration. Shorts, socks, and close-toed shoes are required. Sunscreen is highly recommended to be applied before camp at home. Most outdoor activities are held in the morning.

Health & Safety

Parent Pre-Camp Daily Check:

Please help all participants stay healthy by screening your child daily and avoid sending to camp if you believe your scout or volunteer is sick.

BSA Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist

This is a tool to help leaders identify 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.*

Do not participate if you have any of the following symptoms in the past 24 hours:

- Fever (100.4° F or greater)
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- New cough

Do not participate if you or anyone you live with has recently tested positive for COVID-19 or does not have test results back.

If you have a positive COVID-19 test, follow the CDC guidance for isolation and your personal health care provider's treatment recommendations.

Be responsible for your health and that of others. Isolate if you are sick. Do not attend any activity/meeting/event if you, anyone you live with or anyone you have recently been around feel unwell. Symptoms might include:

- Unexplained extreme fatigue
- Unexplained muscle aches
- New rash
- Sore throat
- Open sore

Participants who are symptomatic or ill should not attend or return to an activity until cleared by their health care provider.

Health & Safety (continued)

Emergencies, early pick-ups, and contacting staff:

Staff phone numbers are available below and will be posted at camp. Please notify staff the morning of for known early pickups. Your Scout may be picked up any time, however the best experience is had attending the entire day. Limit calls to staff for emergency or urgent issues so they can focus on the program.

Day Camp Director

Brandy Callahan
(239) 289-5975

AlligatorDayCamp@Outlook.com

Day Camp Program Director

Charissa Wright-Rosenbach
(561) 779-9545

CharissaB@yahoo.com

Staff Advisor

James Giles
(239) 207-5366

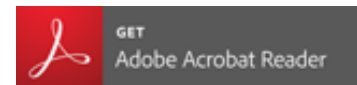
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Youth protection: Please discuss with your child that reporting bullying, safety, or other concerns is critical to their own safety. Reviewing [*How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide*](#), found at the front of your child's Scout Book is always a good idea. The Scout can report to the den leader or day camp director. If your child has a concern, call or email the day camp director or staff advisor (District Executive) to ensure it is handled.

Every onsite adult staff member in a supervisory role must register with National BSA resulting in a background check AND take day camp training (see schedule) AND produce a youth protection certificate from <https://my.scouting.org/>. New camp volunteers may plan accordingly and register with their Scout's unit before the start of camp.

BSA Health Form: Only parts [A&B](#) are required for all staff and participants. Please download and open using Adobe Acrobat Reader. PDF typed appreciated!

1. Load Adobe PDF Reader onto your PC or MAC
2. Download [BSA Health Form Parts A&B](#)
3. Open using Adobe Acrobat DC Application
4. Type the information into health form
5. Save to your computer
6. Print
7. Hand sign copies
8. Bring to Pre-Check in date **6/17/23** or first day of camp.



Do not send health forms electronically

Note: Medication application, healthcare decision release, BB device use, and talent/photo release are included in this document. PLEASE READ THE HEALTH FORM.



CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT

The following rules apply to all Cub Scouts attending the Day Camp. These rules need to be read and signed by all Scouts attending Day Camp. Please return with your camp registration.

1. Scouts, parents, staff, & volunteers will always adhere to camp safety and health protocols.
2. Scouts will report to the den leader or day camp director any youth protection or safety concerns.
3. The Buddy System is always in effect. Den Leaders will assign buddies on the first day of camp. Buddies always stay together, this includes going to the health officer, restroom, and time-out. A camp staff member may allow a Scout to leave his buddy such as when a buddy must stay at the medical area or leave early. Know where your buddy is always.
4. Scouts must have the camp director's permission to leave camp any time camp is in session. This includes any time between opening ceremony and camp dismissal. There must also be prior written notification from the Scout's parents.
5. Scouts must ask for permission from their den leader before they leave their den. This includes when they leave at the end of the day. A Scout may leave the camp area only in the company of those authorized to pick him up. When he/she is dropped off the Scout will go directly to the gym and check-in.
6. Scouts will leave their knives at home. Knives, if necessary, will only be used in program areas and they will be provided. Scouts will not carry matches; they will be provided if required for any activity.
7. Scouts will wear close-toed shoes and socks with always provided camp shirt, except when in the aquatics program area. Sandals including crocs are not authorized.
8. Scouts will be respectful towards all adults, staff members and visitors.
9. Scouts will be respectful and mindful of the feelings, safety and property of their fellow Scouts.
10. Proper language will be always used (improper language is the use of foul, profane or abusive language). All leaders will be addressed by their proper name or camp name.
11. Scouts will walk while in the camp area unless required to run as part of an activity.
12. The only time a Scout will throw an object in camp as part of a supervised camp activity.

I have read and discussed the Code of Conduct with my child and I understand that repeated violation of this code will lead to time-out, a note home, and/or possible dismissal from day camp.

Child's name (print): _____

Parent's signature: _____ Date: _____

Label EVERYTHING!!!!!!



What to Bring

Cub Scouts:

- Paid fee for Scout by Deadline?
- [Medical Form](#) Part A & B (required)
- Rules & Code of Conduct
- Camp shirt every day
- Early check in on calendar
- Lunch each day, labeled
- Reusable "Camp Cup", labeled
- Snacks
- Closed toe shoes at all times
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- All items labeled

All volunteers:

- Paid for extra shirts by Deadline?
- [Medical Form](#) Part A & B (required)
- Rules & Code of Conduct
- Attend mandatory volunteer training
- Early check in/setup on calendar
- Lunch each day, labeled
- Reusable "Camp Cup", labeled
- Snacks
- Closed toe shoes at all times
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- All items labeled

Adult volunteers 18+:

- Youth protection training certificate from www.My.Scouting.org (required)

VOLUNTEER TRAININGS ARE MANDATORY

Alligator District Day Camp is a volunteer led event by the Southwest Florida Council for the registered Cub Scouts
Questions? Brandy Callahan Day Camp Director AlligatorDayCamp@Outlook.com

James Giles, Staff Advisor JamesG@Scouting.org

Car Line Pick-up/Drop-off

Starting Monday, 8:30AM for Pre-checked in Scouts

St. Agnes Catholic Church Parish Ctr; 7690 Running Bucks Ct., Naples, FL 334120

Navigation: <https://goo.gl/maps/6K3kUcVGYQG4TgdA>

1. Drop off or pick up at South Entry
2. Have your Scout's belongings tidy, in the lap and ready to exit quickly
3. Your Scout will exit the vehicle
4. Drive to the West, exit to the South
5. Pick up is the same
6. No U-turns please

