# 2023 Sioux Council Cub Family Weekend



# Family Camp Guide

# **General Information**

#### What is Cub Family Weekend?

A three-day, two-night program offered to Cub Scouts, siblings, and their Parents/Guardians. All incoming Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos are eligible to attend. The purpose is to provide fun and educational programs within the Sioux Council. Cub Scouts and their families may attend *any* session based on the convenience of date and location of the camp. Locations include:

Town	Location	Address	Date
Wilmot	Camp Iyataka	47218 131 <sup>st</sup> Street, Wilmot, SD 57279	June 9-11
Yankton	Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation	31069 430 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tabor, SD 57063	August 4-6

#### What is the cost?

2023 Registration Fees

Paid before April 3, 2023

Scout and Siblings \$80 Adult \$60

Paid after April 3 & before midnight May 8, 2023

Scout and Siblings \$90 Adult \$70

Paid after May 8, 2023

Scout and Siblings \$100 Adult \$80

#### Advancement

Cub Family Weekend organizes by den; as such, packs will be divided. Scouts will be placed with their den-level peers: Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos 1 and Webelos 2. Program stations will focus on age-appropriate activities for Cub Scouts and their siblings. Please remember Cub Scouts is about having fun!!!

Dens will accomplish the following:

Tigers: Tiger in the Wild #2 #4
Wolves: Wolf Call of the Wild #6
Bears: Bear Necessities #2 #6
Webelos 1: Webelos Walk About #2 #5

Webelos 2: AOL Outdoor Adventure 3a, b and c

#### Refunds

Preparations begin a year in advance. Sioux Council volunteers and staff spend countless hours preparing program, materials, and a WOW experience. When Scouts who registered do not attend, it limits the experience for others. Sioux Council approves refunds for Scouts who suddenly become ill or in case of a family emergency. In such cases, written requests must be submitted to angie.anderson@scouting.org

#### What are the hours?

Participants may arrive any time after 6 pm on Friday evening, and should plan to eat either before arrival or bring food with them to prepare at camp. *Friday evening meal is not provided*. Program will begin Friday evening, continue through Saturday and end after breakfast on Sunday morning.

#### What Food is Provided?

Friday night cracker barrel/snack Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks Sunday breakfast

#### What is the attire?

Often it is **hot**, please dress accordingly! Cub Scouts are encouraged to wear class B or Scout t-shirt. Scouts should bring Class A for the morning Flag ceremony on Saturday. No sandals or open-toed shoes are allowed at camps. Scouts will not be allowed to participate if they do not have appropriate footwear or if they are wearing offensive clothing. Cub Family Weekend will be held rain or shine, dress accordingly.

#### What should I bring?

Following is a list of items for all attendees to bring to Cub Family Weekend. Be sure to label all items with the Scout's name and pack number.

Required to bring:

Tent

Sleeping gear (sleeping bag, cot, ground cloth)

Clothing for the weekend

Toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, shampoo, towel, shower sandal or water shoes)

Recommended to bring:

Sunscreen Insect repellant Rain gear

Hat/Sunglasses

Daypack
Camp chair
Water bottle
Camera
Walking stick
Pocket knife (must be Bear and up, with Whittling Chip)
Camping comfort items

#### What not to bring

Electronic toys, games, or music devices BB guns/archery equipment Pets/Animals (note next page for exceptions)

#### **Health Forms**

Health forms are **required** of each person spending the weekend. This includes all Scouts, parents, siblings, and leaders. At the conclusion of camp, *Part A* of the health form will be retained by Sioux Council. This is per Boy Scouts of America policy. *Part B* of the health form (the health history) will be returned to the pack at check-out. Any health forms not retrieved at the end will be shredded, to maintain privacy.

#### Pets/Animals

Qualified, certified service animals are welcome. Scouts or leaders needing a service animal should bring their medical statement with them. No other animals or pets are allowed under any circumstances.

#### Security

Each person staying will be given a wristband. This includes adults, parents, Scouts, and leaders. The wristband is to be worn at all times! Any Scouts leaving early or arriving late must sign in or out at registration. Any visitors must also sign in and receive a wristband. Anyone without a wristband may be asked to leave for the safety of the Scouts.

#### **Tobacco/Alcohol**

Tobacco is not allowed; smoking (including vaping) will only be allowed in designated areas—out of sight of the youth. Alcohol is prohibited at all Sioux Council activities.

## What should I expect at Cub Family Weekend?

Check-in: when you arrive, you will be directed to check-in tables. Please note: everyone staying for the weekend—youth AND adults—are required to complete a health form. There can be no exceptions!

**At check-in**: in addition to wristbands, you will receive patches and the water bottles. The Health Officer will review health forms and discuss any health issues. Once you have checked in, you will have free time to set up and explore the area until the cracker barrel.

**Program**: During the day, you will move between activities at camp. At check-in, you will be given a schedule. Please be sure to follow the schedule.

**Meals:** Staff provides nutritious meals for all attendees as well as snacks. Each event has volunteers who will prepare meals. Mealtimes will be on the schedule. If anyone in your family has a food allergy, please reach out to Angie at <a href="mailto:angie.anderson@scouting.org">angie.anderson@scouting.org</a>

**Check-out:** Standards, and basic safety, require each Scout and adult to check-out before departure. Parents or Cubmasters need to ensure that the registration staff check-out Scouts before departure.

**Important Note:** If a Scout needs to leave early, the director needs to be notified in writing or in person. Anyone picking up a Scout early must be listed on the health form as having authorization.

#### **Health Recheck**

Upon arrival, as part of the check-in process, the Health Officer will review health forms. They reserve the right to discuss specific needs with Scouts and parents. In general, medicine should be kept by parents/cub leaders during the day.

#### **Pre-Camp Responsibilities**

- -Register on-line at www.siouxcouncil.org
- -Complete health forms prior to arrival
- -Bring health forms to camp (DO NOT take to the Council office)

#### Responsibilities at Cub Family Weekend

- -Parents always remain with their Scout!
- -Maintain a positive attitude
- -Ensure participant safety. This includes preventing things like rock throwing and ensuring that Scouts wear correct footgear and appropriate gear for the weather
- -Check in/check out Scouts
- -Observe and maintain Scout-like behavior
- -Pay attention to the Scouts *and not your cell phone*
- -Make sure the Scouts drink water at the beginning and end of each station
- -Assist staff as needed during program

#### **Post Event Evaluation**

At the end of Cub Family Weekend, we invite all adult attendees to participate in a two-minute survey.

### **Emergency Procedures**

While we hope to never have an emergency, life happens. Below are some specific situations for which we have planned. We will review these at the opening flag ceremony.

In all cases, *stay calm*. Adults staying calm will be the most important factor in helping resolve any emergency.

<u>Sickness/Injury</u>, if someone becomes sick or injured, even a small cut, please report immediately to the Health Officer. Standards require a log to kept of any sickness or injury, regardless of how small it may appear to be. If additional treatment is required, the Health Officer will contact the appropriate authorities. Of course, if an injury is severe enough, contact 911 then report to the camp medic.

<u>Lost Scout</u>, the buddy system is to be maintained at all times; this helps ensure that we don't have lost Scouts. If a Scout becomes "misplaced," please contact the closest staff member who will contact the director. A search plan will be implemented by the director.

<u>Severe Heat</u>, each event will be supplied with plenty of ice and water. We will also have some sort of shade/shelter for participants to get out of the heat. Programs will continue even if temperatures are high; however, everyone will need to drink more often. Volunteer Staff and pack leadership will need to help remind Scouts to drink!

<u>Severe Weather</u>, each event will have a designated severe weather location. Rain will not stop activities. Severe weather, however, will. In the event of severe weather, participants will head to the designated shelter, where pack leaders will take roll. Activities will not resume until the "all clear" signal has been given.

#### DON'T FORGET! EVERY ATTENDEE NEEDS A HEALTH FORM!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Angie Anderson at 605-880-58520 or <a href="mailto:angie.anderson@scouting.org">angie.anderson@scouting.org</a>