

2025 SUMMER CAMP LEADER'S GUIDE
Come Join Us for A Great Summer At
Camp Karankawa



Camp Karankawa. Inspiring Scouts.

Since 1944

Dear Leader

Camp Karankawa is going through s changes for this summer camp and its program will be different from years before. We will be moving towards having a volunteer instructor for merit badges. We will continue to have camp staff for key areas such as Aquatics, Kitchen, Range and Target Sports, etc.

In addition to having volunteers' instructors, we have reduced our summer camp fees and are offering a discount for leaders that volunteer to teach a merit badge. More information will be out soon.

We have a preliminary list of merit badges for summer camp, and we expect to continue adding more as we get closer to summer camp. We will continue to have our traditional programs at Camp Karankawa like Campfires, OA Days + more.

If you have any questions and want more information on summer camp, please reach out to me.

This guide will be updated in February 20, 2025 with more information.

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Introduction

This Summer Camp Leaders' Guide is designed to assist you in effectively planning your Summer Camp program at Camp Karankawa, and to be your "guide" during your week at summer camp.

If, after reading this guide, you have any questions unanswered, feel free to contact the camp leadership Francisco Orozco at (361) 814-4300 x120

ABOUT CAMP

Located on the shores of scenic Lake Corpus Christi, near Mathis, this 130-acre Scout camp includes 15 campsites, large swimming pool, extensive waterfront area, canoes, kayaks, rowboats, COPE (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience) course, sailboats, Scoutcraft areas, nature area and trails, archery, rifle, and shotgun ranges, campfire, Vern Herring visitor's center and trading post, 300-person indoor air conditioned dining hall, 3 state of the art restroom/shower buildings, Chapel overlooking Lake Corpus Christi and other facilities including a large indoor training center and a unit leader gathering facility (Mesquite Lodge).



Camp Karankawa Address:

Camp Karankawa
23564 Park Road 25
Mathis, TX 78368
South Texas Council Office contact numbers
Phone: (361) 814-4300 Ext. 117--- Fax: (361) 814-5798

Camp Phone Numbers

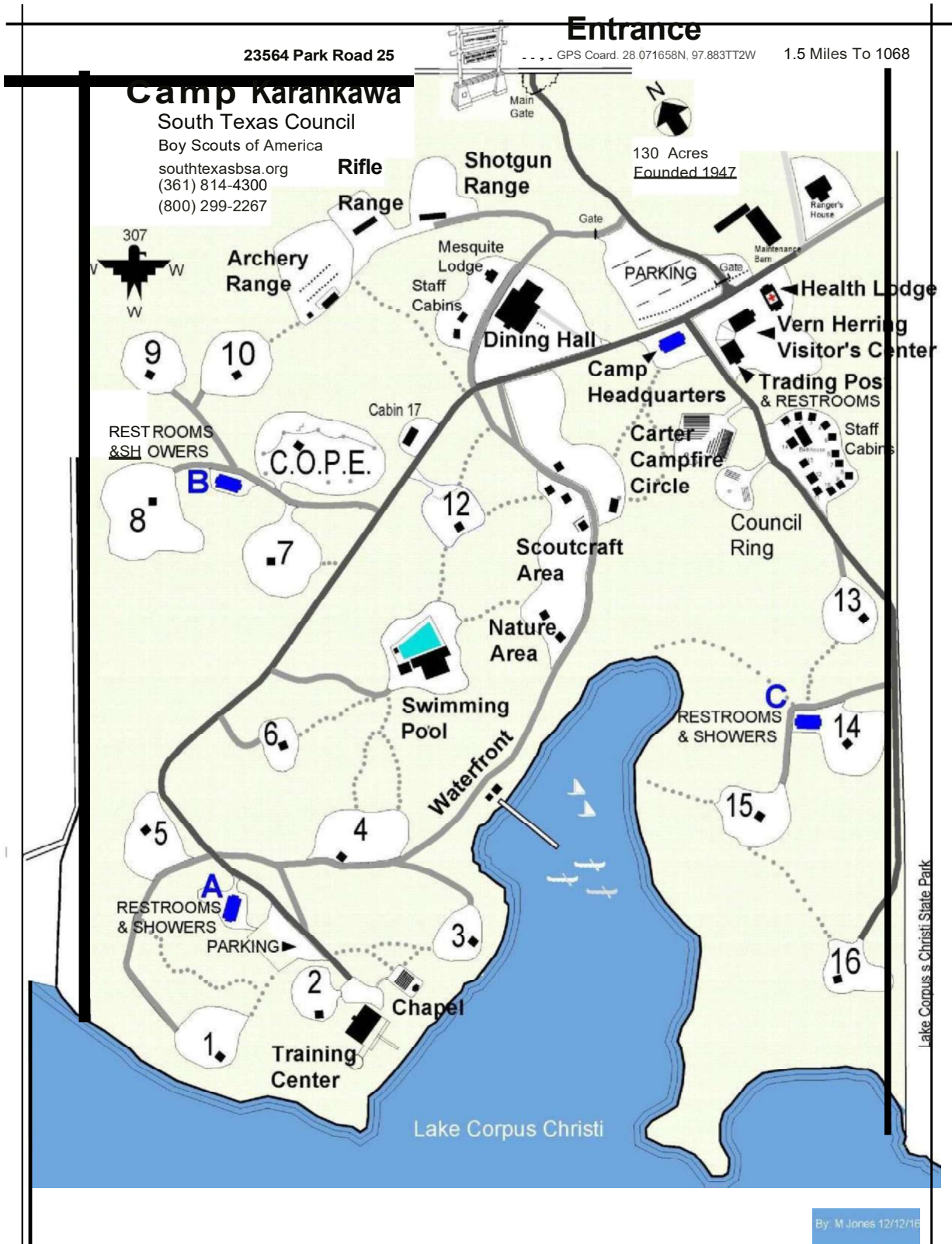
Camp Director: Francisco Orozco 361-816-3868
Camp Ranger: 361-816-3891

CAMP KARANKAWA SONG

**On the hill above the water
Up above the trees,
Flows the flag of Camp Karankawa
Waving in the breeze.
Camp Karankawa, Camp Karankawa
With your boys so true.
Scouts and Scouters all together,
Sing their praise to you.**



Map & Directions to Camp



Directions from Corpus Christi

Travel north on Interstate 37 to Mathis, Texas.

Take exit 34 towards Lake Corpus Christi State Recreation Area.

Turn left at State Highway 359. Travel on State Highway 359 south to Mathis.

Turn right on to park road 25 right before the Nueces River Bridge.

Follow park road 25 until you come to the entrance leading to the Lake Corpus Christi State Park.

Turn left into the entrance to the park.

Proceed towards the park until you reach the fork in the road.

Take the right fork right before entering State Park Headquarters to Camp Karankawa.

Travel on road until you reach the camp entrance, turn left into the entrance and follow driveway to camp parking lot.

Directions from Victoria

Take US 59 south to Beeville (55 miles). Take US 181 south to Skidmore (12 miles).

Follow TX 359 southwest into Mathis. Travel on State Highway 359 through Mathis.

Turn right on to park road 25 right before the Nueces River Bridge.

Follow park road 25 until you come to the entrance leading to the Lake Corpus Christi State Park.

Turn left into the entrance to the park. Proceed towards the park until you reach the fork in the road.

Take the right fork right before entering State Park Headquarters to Camp Karankawa.

Travel on road until you reach the camp entrance, turn left into the entrance and follow driveway to camp parking lot.

Directions from Laredo

Take US 59 north to Freer. Take State Hwy 44 east to Alice. Take TX 359 north to Mathis.

Cross the Nueces River Bridge and then turn left at Park Road 25. Follow this road until you come to the entrance leading to the Lake Corpus Christi State Park. Turn left into the entrance to the park.

Proceed towards the park until you reach the fork in the road. Take the right fork right before entering State Park Headquarters to Camp Karankawa.

Travel on road until you reach the camp entrance, turn left into the entrance and follow driveway to camp parking lot.

Camp Staff Mission Statement

To provide scouts and scouters with a fun, educational, and memorable experience in order to perpetuate the values and tradition of Camp Karankawa through the worldwide movement of Scouting.

CAMP KARANKAWA STAFF AIMS & OBJECTIVES:

1. To provide every camper with a wholesome and safe experience.
2. To help campers develop a keen awareness and appreciation for the great outdoors and to motivate them to assume the responsibility for living in harmony with nature.
3. To help fulfill the basic objectives of the Boy Scouts of America – building character, citizenship training, physical and mental fitness – through personal examples, stimulation and educational programs.
4. To demonstrate an enthusiastic Scouting Spirit and good leadership.
5. To exemplify the principles of the Scout Oath and Law.
6. To promote a spirit of genuine friendliness and understanding of others and cooperation.

CAMP PROGRAM

Activities at Camp Karankawa are designed for scouts to take merit badges in the morning and afternoon. Classes will vary over time, as some will just take one session or multiple sessions. There is an extended break in the afternoons for free program time where different activities will be offered.

Merit Badges/ Activity

We have released a preliminary merit badge list of merit badges we are offering. We will have all the times/ schedules March 15. The team is currently working on finding instructors and scheduling the activities.

Tentative Summer Camp Schedule

Sunday

1-5pm Check In
6:30pm Flags and Dinner
7:45pm Leader Meeting
9:00pm: Opening Campfire

Monday

7:15am Flags and Breakfast
8:30am- 10:30am Activity Session 1
10:35am – 12:35pm Activity Session 2
12:45pm Lunch
1:30 – 3:30 Activity Session 3
3:35 – 5:35 Activity Session 4
6:15pm Flags and Dinner
7:30pm It Files it Dies (Range and Target Sports Competition)
9pm Movie Night
11pm Lights Out

Tuesday

7:15am Flags and Breakfast
8:30am- 10:30am Activity Session 1
10:35am – 12:35pm Activity Session 2
12:45pm Lunch
1:30 – 3:30 Activity Session 3
3:35 – 5:35 Activity Session 4
6:15 Flags and Dinner
8:30pm Pool Party
11pm Lights Out

Wednesday

7:15am Flags and Breakfast
8:30am- 10:30am Activity Session 1
10:35am – 12:35pm Activity Session 2
12:45pm Lunch
1:30 – 3:30 Activity Session 3
3:35 – 5:35 Activity Session 4
6:15 Flags and Dinner
8:00pm Honor Trial
8:45 Carnival or Game Night
11pm Lights Out

Thursday

7:15am Flags and Breakfast
8:30am- 10:30am Activity Session 1
10:35am – 12:35pm Activity Session 2
12:45pm Lunch
1:30 – 3:30 Activity Session 3
3:35 – 5:35 Activity Session 4
6:15 Flags and Dinner
7:30 Camp Recognition Campfire
11pm Lights Out

Friday

(Camp Games will be offered throughout the day)

7:15am Flags and Breakfast
8:30am- 10:30am Activity Session 1
10:35am – 12:35pm Activity Session 2
12:45pm Lunch
1:30 – 3:30 Activity Session 3
3:35 – 5:35 Activity Session 4
6:15 Flags and Dinner
7:30pm Evening Camp Games
9:00pm Closing Camp Fire

Saturday

7:15am Flags and Breakfast
8:00am -10am Check Out

CAMP KARANKAWA SCOUT BSA SUMMER CAMP

Preliminary List



- American Heritage
- Archery
- Art
- Astronomy
- Basketry
- Camping
- Canoeing
- Chemistry
- Chess
- Citizenship in the Community
- Citizenship in the Nation
- Citizenship in the World
- Collections
- Communications
- Disability Awareness
- Emergency Prepares
- Environmental Science
- Family Life
- Fingerprinting
- Fire Safety
- First Aid
- Fishing
- Game Design
- Indian Lore
- Insect Study
- Kayaking
- Leatherwork
- Life Saving
- Mammal Study
- Orienteering
- Personal Fitness
- Pioneering
- Public Speaking
- Pupl and Paper
- Reptile and Amphibian Study
- Rifle Shooting
- Rowing
- Scouting Heritage
- Shotgun
- Space Exploration
- Swimming
- Woodcarving
- Wilderness Survival

Contact Francisco.Orozco@Scouting.org for more info



SCOUT CRAFT AREA



Scout Craft provides scouts the opportunity to learn the outdoor skills of camping, pioneering, orienteering, and others. The Camp Karankawa Scout Craft area will consist of The Baden Powell Troop (1st year camper program), Outdoor skills, Cavalry Camp and Scout crafts.

Today's youth face different obstacles in life. More and more youth stay at home and entertain themselves with electronic games and other sedentary activities. Therefore, teaching Scouts the abilities to tie knots and rope lashings, to pitch a tent, manage an open fire, navigate with a compass, or learn to enjoy the outdoors, are invaluable tools used to strengthen our Scouts mentally and physically.

The Scout Craft area aims to teach Scouts the importance of and how to enjoy the outdoors.

The Scout Craft area will offer the following BSA awards:

Paul Bunyan Woodsman
Totin' Chip
Firem'n Chit

EAGLE TRAIL/Baden Powell Patrol



The Baden Powell Troop (Scout – 1st Class) is a very important program designed to give your new Scouts a good foundation upon which to build their Scouting career. This program will run from periods all day each day of camp which will allow Scouts to complete requirements for Scout-1st Class and, Paul Bunyan, Totin Chip and Firem'n Chit.

If you have any questions about the Eagle Trial program, please contact the Program Director Francisco Orozco, Francisco.Orozco@scouting.org

Merit Badges offered in Scout Craft:



Camping



Art



Wilderness
Survival



Woodcarving



Orienteering



Pioneering



Game Design



Leatherwork



Safety

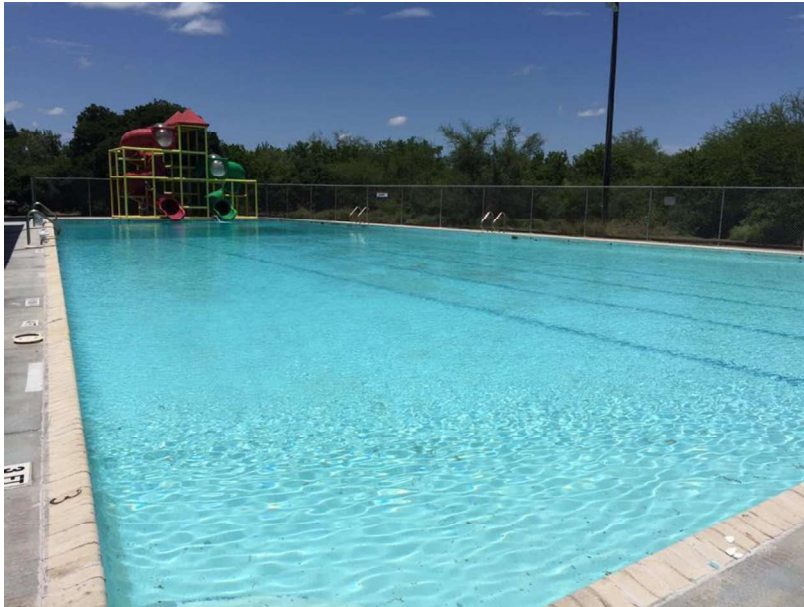


Basketry



Personal Fitness

AQUATICS AREAS



All campers are encouraged to take advantage of the wide variety of the aquatics courses offered at Camp Karankawa. Whether a camper is new to swimming or is an excellent swimmer, it is the goal of the Aquatics staff to ensure that each camper has a quality experience at the pool and the waterfront of scenic Lake Corpus Christi.

Merit Badges and Aquatic Programs offered at the Pool



Swimming



Lifesaving



BSA Lifeguard



Mile Swim



Snorkeling

Leaders Training available in pool area and waterfront.

- Safety afloat
- Paddle Safely

BSA LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION



This program is developed for older Scouts wanting to further their aquatics skills. They **must** be at least 15 years of age to participate in this intensive all day program. To receive certification, requirements in Aquatics Skills, First Aid & CPR, and supervised life guarding must be completed (please bring copies of completed certifications). Adults are also welcome to participate.

Waterfront Area



All boating activities & classes are on Lake Corpus Christi. Participants must wear closed toe shoes at all times while participating in the waterfront activities.

Merit Badges and Courses offered at the Waterfront



Canoeing



Rowing



Small Boat
Sailing



Kayaking BSA



Kayaking



BSA Stand Up Paddleboarding

SHOOTING SPORTS



The shooting sports program includes three ranges. These ranges are staffed and supervised by BSA National Camp School and NRA Instructors and USA Archery Instructors. At our ranges, Scouts will learn about safety above all. They will have an introduction to shooting sports. All merit badges can be completed at camp but extra practice time is frequently a necessity in order to meet the skills qualifications.

All shooting sports classes last two class periods in order to provide Scouts more opportunities to qualify at camp.

MUST Fill out a Scout Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement (located in the form section)

The following courses are offered in the shooting sports program:



Archery



Rifle Shooting



Shotgun Shooting

Program Team Opportunity



Do you Want to be help during summer camp and be part of the program team? Our summer camp wants you to help ensure our program lives up to the value! Do you have special skills or want to help the camp program. You can! Teach a merit badge, help in the kitchen, and more to be part of the program team!



We need Instructor for Summer Camp!



If you sign up, you get special pricing for summer camp! A price you cannot beat. You also get a Program Team Swag to show you are part of the team! Contact Francisco Orozco to sign up. You can fill out a merit badge instructor form and send it to Francisco.

ADMINISTRATION SECTION

ATTENDING SUMMER CAMP

This year Camp Karankawa's Summer Camp will be open to group and individual Scout BSA members. **Each participant will need the following items and requirements:**

1. Registered Member of Scouting America
2. Health Forms A- C

All Adults will need the following items:

1. Youth Protection Training Certification
2. Send a Adult in State Compliance Form to the council service center before Summer Camp starts (Page 22)

Additional Forms that may apply:

1. Medication Form – Requirement for scouts and adults that need to store medication in the camp health lodge
2. Special Needs / Dietary Request Form – Important form for participants that may need special accommodations to Food, lodging etc. (This is very important to fill out before Summer Camp Starts)
3. Campership Application – South Texas Council Units only, if a scout may need some assistance to attend summer camp, please fill one out and send to the council service center by June 1st.

Policies pertaining to all Scouts, leaders, staff and visitors:

1. It is against the policies of Scouting America to possess or consume any form of alcoholic beverages, drugs or narcotics (not under the prescription of a physician licensed to practice medicine) on any property owned or operated by the Boy Scouts of America.
2. The South Texas Council also prohibits the possession or use of any type of fireworks on camp property.
3. Hazing of any form is considered child abuse and will not be tolerated anywhere under the auspices of Scouting America.
4. Do not cut live trees.
5. Absolutely no candles, flames or open fires of any kind may be used in tents. Only battery lanterns are permitted in tents

Conduct in Camp

Unit leaders and parents should understand that Scout behavior and resulting discipline is the responsibility of the Unit where the Scout is registered. In rare cases where serious infractions of BSA or Camp policy occur or where behavior threatens the life or safety of the Scout or others in Camp or camp property, the Camping Director may, at his or her sole discretion after consultation with the Unit leaders of the individual(s) committing the infraction expel a camper from Camp for the safety and security of the Camp. In such cases, the Unit leaders and/or parents of the expelled camper are responsible for providing a timely exit from Camp.

Group Participation

Camp Karankawa welcomes troops to come out as a unit and do the traditional summer camp experience. Here are some key items needed to attend Camp Karankawa's summer camp as a group:

- 1. A minimum of 2 adult leaders with each scout BSA unit. (Leadership cannot be shared with units unless approved by the Camp Director) It is the Scouting America that at least two adult leaders, both of whom must be 21 years of age or older, attend summer camp with your troop.**

Ideally, the Troop Scoutmaster is the best choice for the camp Scoutmaster; however, this position must be filled by a registered leader at least 21 years of age. The second adult in camp can be an Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop Committee member or any other registered adult leader 21 years of age or older. If volunteers cannot be recruited to provide the proper leadership at camp for the week, an alternative method must be used to cover the requirements.

One leader from the group must register the troop on my council and is responsible for the following:

- 1. Payments for Summer Camp and ensure the balance is 0 when summer camp starts**
- 2. Adding "slots" or participants to the unit registration**
- 3. Selection of Activities for Scouts and Adults**

Units will be set up in campsites across Camp Karankawa. Units will be based around Camp Karankawa that best suits the best experience for all at camp. Campsite Assignments will be given on June 1st

Check In Process:

Your First Day

1. Check-In is on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please do not arrive before 1:00 p.m. One of your unit leaders must come to Head Quarters and turn in 2 copies of the completed camp roster and pay any outstanding fees (one unit check, please).
2. Once the unit checks in the unit at the Headquarters, a staff member will be assigned to your unit. The unit must visit the following areas before setting up camp:
 - a. The Health Lodge - Medical checks will be conducted for all Scouts and leaders during check-in. Each person must have a completed B.S.A. Personal Health and Medical Record form, or the new Annual Health and Medical Form. Forms must have been signed by a doctor within a year. (These forms are kept in the Health Lodge while your troop is in the camp). At the end of the week your forms will be returned to you.
 - b. The Dining Hall - Your troop will receive dining hall table assignments, know the dining hall procedures and let the camp cook about any dietary needs.
3. Once the unit checks in at Health Lodge and Medical Forms, Troops will be allowed a reasonable number of vehicles, with heavy equipment, drive to the entrance of the campsite. The vehicle must be returned to the camp parking lot after unloading. No vehicles are permitted to remain at the campsite throughout the week.
4. Troops are expected to unload equipment and get ready to head to the pool for Swim checks. (If swim checks were done, please send a leader to the pool to turn in the paperwork)
5. Once swim checks are done, units are expected to set up camp and have all vehicles at the parking lot. (If your vehicle needs to stay hooked up the troop trailer, it can stay in campsite with Camp Director Permission)
6. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.
7. The leader's meeting will be held at 7:45pm in the HQ. At least one representative from each Troop must attend
8. The Camp-wide Opening Campfire will begin at 9pm. In the council ring.
15. Taps will be at 11:00 p.m

PLANNING YOUR UNIT'S SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE

Preparing for camp is an easy process, but it does require planning ahead. As a unit leader, you are the most important link in this process. The following pages are designed to help guide you and your Troop Committee for a memorable summer at Camp Karankawa.

Troop Countdown Sheet

By now, you and your Patrol Leaders Council, with advice from your Troop Committee, have completed the basic plans for camp.

_____ Your committee has selected at least one assistant for you (two-deep leadership).

_____ Register online on my council

_____ The Camp Savings Plan is underway.

1. Are your fees up to date? Have you told the Council Office the number of Scouts attending camp?
2. If you have not already done so, conduct a Camp Promotion Parents' night sometime between now and when you go to camp. Present camp plans and share with scouts and parents information about Camp K, program highlights, adult leadership, physical examinations, fee payment information, etc. Individual Health and Medical Record Forms are available at the Council Service Center for distribution. Annual BSA Health and Medical Record form (Pages A B & C is required (must be signed by a physician within a year). Ask parents to keep a copy for future use. You may find forms: www.southtexasbsa.org/healthforms
3. Pay any outstanding balance of camp fees at the Council Service Center prior to your arrival at camp and finalize the troop roster at that time.
4. Arrange for transportation to and from camp.
5. Obtain the home telephone number and address, and an "in an emergency" contact phone number for each Scout.
6. Share with parents, the Scouts and Leaders Fee info sheet.

UNIT EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

SUGGESTED TROOP EQUIPMENT TO BRING TO CAMP

- Troop Flag & US Flag
- Troop library books: MB pamphlets, Scout Song Book, etc.
- Troop Record Book
- Clothing marker pens
- Props for favorite skits/songs
- Assorted tools for camp projects
- Rope
- Water Coolers
- Dutch Ovens
- Lanterns
- Troop/Patrol Dining fly (for additional campsite shade & shelter)
- Matches

SUGGESTED PATROL EQUIPMENT TO BRING TO CAMP

- Tents (Camp Karankawa does not supply tents)
- Patrol flags
- First Aid Kit
- Compass
- Scout Handbooks per Scout

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR CAMP LEADERS TO BRING TO CAMP- **

- Camp Leaders' Guide
- Complete unit roster
- Youth Protection certificates, Sex Offenders' Registry print out, and **Adult In Camp State Compliance form for each camp leader attending camp.
**This form must be submitted to council office TWO WEEKS prior to your arrival at camp.
- Thumbtacks for bulletin board
- Alarm clock
- Cash Box
- Folding chair and table
- Copies of medical records for each Scout and leader signed by a physician
- Copies of program schedule for each Scout
- Progress records for each Scout

INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT

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| • Scout Uniform | • 2 pairs of shoes | • Underwear |
| • Jeans and shorts for one week | • Towels | • T-shirts, can be purchased at camp |
| • Storage for clothing | • Notebook and pencil | • Swimsuit |
| • Cup | • Pocketknife | • Bedding, pillow, and ground cloth |
| • Flashlight with spare batteries | • Scout Handbook | • Raincoat or poncho |
| • Toiletries | • Camera | Fishing gear |
| • Mosquito netting | • Sunscreen | • Insect repellent |
| • Baby powder | • Spending money | • Socks |
| • Belt | • Cot | |

Campsite Equipment

Permanent equipment consists of an Activity Shelter, potable water spicket, one Patrol table, one flag pole with rope and a trash barrel.

Troop Leaders may check out an assortment of tools from the Camp Ranger on a short time project basis. The Troop or Crew will be required to pay for any damage to Campsite facilities or equipment, other than normal wear.

Cutting green trees or shrubs is a violation of camp policy unless it is directed by Camp Officials as a Conservation Project.

Shower House Rules and Cleaning

At check in, each campsite will be assigned a day to clean the shower/restroom house. Please supervise your Scouts when they are using the facilities to ensure they care for the facilities properly. Please ensure if the Scouts are using the facilities they are out by a reasonable time as some are very close to campsites, and we must be "courteous" to our fellow campers.

When the unit is taking showers, one leader is expected to go with their scouts to ensure there is proper adult supervision. We expect all to follow the Scout Oath and Law, any bad behavior in the shower house may result in dismissal from camp.

Individual Participation

Camp Karankawa will be welcoming individual participants this year for the first time!

A scout can participate in two ways:

1. Join the Provisional Troop – Be part of a troop that will be from across country, join us for the full week and get the full week experience.
2. Join us for a day- Join us for a day, earn some merit badges and join us for our night activity.

Key Information about Individual participation:

1. The main point of contact will be the parent's email.
2. An adult will be responsible for registering the scout, selecting their classes and obtaining their completion reports.
3. Attending the Pre-Camp Leader's Meeting is required for parents or guardians for the scout.

Provisional Scout Information

PLANNING YOUR SCOUT'S PROVISIONAL SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE

Preparing for camp is an easy process, but it does require planning ahead. As a unit leader or guardian, you are the most important link in this process. The following pages are designed to help guide you and your scout for a memorable summer at Camp Karankawa.

1. Registering your Scouts at my council registration system: <https://mycouncil.southtexasbsa.org/Event/173>
 - a. On the page, you will select Provisional Participant and pay the \$300 Fee
 - b. Then select the classes for your scout
 - c. Make sure you remember your login information.
2. Ensure you have gone over the leader's guide and look at the Camp Karankawa program highlights, ensure your scout has the Scouting Health Form up to date and a registered member of Scouting America.
3. Attend the Mandatory Pre-Camp Leader Meeting for Individual Participants. You will meet the Provisional leadership
4. Pay any outstanding balance of camp fees at the Council Service Center prior to your arrival at camp and ensure your scouts
5. Contact the Camp Director if you have any questions.
6. Prepare to arrive at 4pm

Check In Procedure for Provisional Scout:

1. All scouts must arrive at 1:30pm and check in with their parents/guardians at the Camp Headquarters.
2. Once checked in by the Camp Leadership, you will be given your campsite assignment. Please drive there, unload your personal gear and meet the scoutmaster.
3. Once all the scouts check in and put down their personal gear, they will change into their swimming trunks and head to the pool for their swim checks.
4. When swim checks are done, the scouts will head back to their campsite, set up their tents and campsite.
5. After the campsite is set up, the scouts will head over to the dining hall and health lodge.
 - a. The Health Lodge - Medical checks will be conducted for all Scouts and leaders during check-in. Each person must have a completed B.S.A. Personal Health and Medical Record form, or the new Annual Health and Medical Form. Forms must have been signed by a doctor within a year. (These forms are kept in the Health Lodge while your troop is in the camp). At the end of the week your forms will be returned to you.
 - b. The Dining Hall - Your troop will receive dining hall table assignments, know the dining hall procedures and let the camp cook about any dietary needs.
6. Dinner will be served at 6:30

Day Guest Information

PLANNING YOUR Scout's SUMMER CAMP DAY EXPERIENCE

Preparing for camp is an easy process, but it does require planning ahead. As a unit leader or guardian, you are the most important link in this process. The following pages are designed to help guide you and your scout for a memorable summer at Camp Karankawa.

Scouts will have an option to choose Monday – Friday to attend summer camp, classes will vary and the Day guest must select their classes carefully. Some sessions will be a few hours, all day or take multiple days, please look into the times and select activities that fit your needs.

1. Registering your Scouts at my council registration system: <https://mycouncil.southtexasbsa.org/Event/173>
 - a. On the page, you will select Day Guest and pay the \$60 Fee
 - b. You will then choose what day or days your scout will be coming out for summer camp.
 - c. Then select the classes for your scout
 - d. Make sure you remember your login information.
2. Ensure you have gone over the leader's guide and look at the Camp Karankawa program highlights, ensure your scout has the Scouting Health Form up to date and a registered member of Scouting America.
3. Attend the Mandatory Pre-Camp Leader Meeting for Individual Participants
4. Pay any outstanding balance of camp fees at the Council Service Center prior to your arrival at camp and ensure your scouts
5. Contact the Camp Director if you have any questions.
6. Prepare to arrive at 8am to check in at the Camp Headquarters.

Check In Procedure for Day Guests

1. On the assigned day, scouts and a parent/guardian must check into the office by a camp staff member by 8am.
2. They will be given their locations of the classes and join us for the day

Suggest Scout Equipment Check List

Basic Clothing

- T- Shirts or sleeved shirts (lightweight)
- Hiking Shorts
- Underwear
- Socks
- Closed Toe Shoes
- Ling-sleeved shirt (lightweight)

- Long pants (lightweight)
- Sweater or warm jacket
- Brimmed hat
- Bandana
- Rain Gear
- Extra Underwear

The Outdoor Essentials

- Pocket knife
- First-aid-kit
- Extra Clothing
- Rain Gear
- Flashlight
- Sun Protection
- Trial Food or Snacks (Closed)

Key Merit Badge Items

Extra Cash for MBs Kits
Notebook or Paper

Warm Water Expert Essentials

- 2 Canteens or water bottles
- Backpack
- Cooling Towel
- Sunglasses
- Swimsuit
- Baby Powder

Personal Hygiene

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Dental Floss
- Soap
- Comb
- Towel
- Wash Cloth

Extras

- Watch
- Camera
- Notebook
- Pen or Pencils
- Whistle
- Insect Repellent
- Hiking Stick
- Fishing Gear

Camp Registration

Registration Link: <https://mycouncil.southtexasbsa.org/Event/173>

QR Code



Use My Council site to reserve your spot at Camp Karankawa or contact the Council Service Center at (361)814-4300, Ext. 112. Or email: Samula.jackson@scouting.org

Camp Session

Week 1 June 8- 14

Group Fees

Unit Camp Deposit	\$100	This Fee will be in your account and can be used in my council.
Scout Participant	\$290	
Leader Fee	\$160	
Leader Fee (Program Team)	\$125	

Individual Fees

Provisional Fee	\$290
Day Fee	\$60 Per Day

Other Costs:

Some Activities may come at extra cost for supplies for that individual activity.

The leatherwork, woodcarving and basketry classes will ask scouts to bring \$15 to buy their kits at the trading post.

FORMS SECTION

BOY SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP TROOP ROSTER

Troop # _____ District _____ Council _____
 Camp Dates: _____ to _____

PREPARE IN DUPLICATE AND TURN IN ONE COPY ON ARRIVAL TO CAMP.

	First & Last Name	Address	Phone Number	Rank	Age
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MEDICATION FORM
(One form per medication, copy as needed)

Unit # _____ District: _____ Council _____

Camper's Name _____

Name of Parent or
Guardian: _____

Phone Numbers: (H) _____
(B) _____

Doctor's Name _____ Phone: _____

Medication/Strength: _____

Reason for Medication _____

Expected Schedule: (i.e. 3 times a day, As needed, etc.) _____

When was medication started? _____ Temporary _____ Permanent _____

Side Effects (reactions to food, dehydration, stress, iodine, other meds, decrease balance, motor activity, concentration, drowsiness, lethargy, etc.)

List other important information about this medication since access to medical information or facilities could be delayed due to geographical area.

Special Storage instructions:

Expected action if medicine is not taken as directed

Total quantity needed _____

Waiver: This information is confidential and is provided to _____
Name of Leader

For the express purpose of helping to ensure a healthy, safe camping experience for my child. This form may be shared with medical personnel should the necessity arise. It will be returned to me at the end of the trip.

Signature of Parent/ Guardian _____ Date _____

CAMPERSHIP APPLICATION- Available to South Texas Council's youth- Attending Council Camp(s)

(Please print all information – Return by May 1st)

DISTRICT _____ **TROOP #** _____
BOY SCOUT CAMP KARANKAWA WEEK _____
UNIT LEADER'S NAME (Please print) _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____
LEADER'S PHONE NUMBER(S) Day Time _____ Home _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

The purpose of the Campership Program is to provide opportunities for deserving boys to attend a summer camping program of the South Texas Council, BSA, who would otherwise not be able to meet the attendance fees. Details of need are handled in strictest confidence to avoid any embarrassment to the boy or family. All boys who receive a Campership grant are required to provide part of the total cost, which shall not be less than **\$50.00**. The **\$50 MUST** be included with this application. Please attach also portion of fee to be paid by unit. (Maximum grant is 50% of total discounted fee) **If more than one boy in a family is applying, please complete one application per Scout.** All information requested **MUST** be completed in full by parents or guardians.

Completed applications and deposits should be sent to the South Texas Council, BSA Office by April 1st. Applications will be considered after April 1st as long as funds are available.

Completion of this application does not automatically guarantee a Campership grant. Grants are awarded, first, on the basis of verified need and second, on the basis of funds available. **Return by April 1st or earlier!!!**

Applicant's Name _____ **Age** _____ **Rank** _____
Address _____ **City** _____ **Zip** _____
REASON(S) FOR CAMPERSHIP REQUEST: (Check those that apply)
____ Parent(s) currently unemployed \$ _____ Annual Family Income
____ **Number** of people in immediate family (**MUST specify number**) (**MUST BE FILLED OUT**)
____ Extreme illness in immediate family, with accompanying financial burdens
____ Combination of above reasons
____ Other _____
____ Do you receive food stamps and/or aid to Families with Dependent Children? Yes No _____
Parents or guardian: Print name _____ **Sign** _____
Parent or guardian email address and phone no _____ **Phone** _____
Unit Leader approval signature _____
(MUST BE SIGNED BY BOTH---PARENTS OR GUARDIAN AND BY UNIT LEADER)

NOTE: CAMPERSHIP GRANTS DO NOT INCLUDE THE COST OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION, EQUIPMENT OR OTHER NEEDS. FULL FEES IF PAID BY DEADLINES:

Total camp fee if paid on time: (Check with your unit leader to see if you qualify for payment on time discount)
(Maximum grant is 50% of total discounted fee)

Family's share of camp fee.....\$ _____ = \$50
Share of camp fee from unit or other source(s)..... \$ _____ -
Amount requested from Campership fund\$ _____

____ **Yes, Applicant's family participated in council-wide fundraisers, such as popcorn sale, camp cards, etc.**
Name: Council-wide fundraiser activity or event _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
Application approved by _____ Date: _____ Amount approved/& credited to boy & unit:\$ _____ **DATE**
NOTICE WAS MAILED TO SCOUTMASTER: _____ Return to: SOUTH TEXAS COUNCIL, BSA, 700
EVERHART TERRACE-BLDG. A. , CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78411-1939PHONE: (361) 814-4300 Ext. 113 FAX (361) 814-5798
EMAIL: samula.jackson@scouting.org

ADULT IN CAMP STATE COMPLIANCE FORM

(A criminal background check is required by the State of Texas within 90 days of camp annually for all adults 18yrs old and older. The South Texas Council will conduct a background check to comply with state requirements.)

Yes, completed form is needed for this event as all other previously submitted forms are shredded after prior events

Please submit form two weeks prior to event. OR if you sign up later than that; submit as soon as you sign up.

**COMPLETED FORM MUST BE SENT TO SAMULA JACKSON AT THE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER
AT LEAST TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT CAMP. samula.jackson@scouting.org or fax 361-814-5798**

Activity Date(s) From _____ To: _____
List event or activity from list below for which this form will be used: _____

Use this space to write in activity name (if not listed below): _____

Event or Activity

Cub Scout Day Camp

Cub Scout Resident Camp

Cub Scout Family Campouts

Cub Scout Winter Camp

Venture Camporee/Shooting Sports

National Youth Leadership Training

Outdoor Trainings Etc.

District or Council Camporee

Scouts BSA Merit Badge Mania

Scouts BSA Summer Camp:

Unit Type: (Circle one) Pack-----Troop-----Crew-----Post -----(Other) _____

Unit Number: _____ UNIT LEADER NAME: _____

First Name: (Print) _____ Middle Name: (Print) _____

Last Name: (Print) _____ Another Last Name: (Print) _____

Social Security Number _____ (REQUIRED)

Sex (please check): Male Female

Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ (REQUIRED)

Month day year

Street Number (No PO Box): _____ Street Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Phone (H) _____ Phone: (Cell) _____

Email Address _____

I agree to this background check to be eligible to attend camp.

Required Signature: _____ Date: _____

If this event includes youth attendance, please print FULL NAME list of youth attending with you.

Please Indicate Gender and Rank.

YOUTH NAME _____ Gender _____ Rank _____

YOUTH NAME _____ Gender _____ Rank _____

YOUTH NAME _____ Gender _____ Rank _____

Note: Confidential personal information will be safeguarded following BSA guidelines and policy. If you have any questions or concerns contact the camp director for the specific camp you are attending or the Council Scout Executive

You may also find a "fillable" Compliance form on our website: www.southtexasbsa.org – Under RESOURCES

ALL ADULTS ATTENDING: YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING – Date taken: Month _____ Date _____ Year _____ (REQUIRED)

Must be current (within two years)

Pre-Camp Swim Check

On arrival at Camp Karankawa, troops normally have their youth report to the pool for this swim check after completing the medical re-check. Camp Karankawa will however, permit troops to bring certification of their own swim checks and resulting classifications to camp with them in place of the swim check at camp. Units doing this must follow the Safe Swim Defense guidelines and policies outlined in the *Guide to Safe Scouting* and send the form in advance or upon arrival at camp. Swim check must be conducted by a BSA Aquatics Instructor, BSA Cub Scouts Aquatics Supervisor, BSA Lifeguard or a certified lifeguard or swimming instructor from another certifying agency. Please attach a copy of the Lifeguard's certification card.

Swim Classification Record

(Changes and/or corrections to the following chart should be initialed and dated by the test supervisor.)

Unit Number _____

Date of Swim Test _____

	Full Name (Print) (Draw lines through blank spaces)	Medical Recheck Parts A-B	Swim Classification		
			Non-Swimmer	Beginner	Swimmer
1					
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The swim classification test performed at a unit level should be conducted by one of the following council-approved resource people: Aquatics Instructor, BSA; BSA Lifeguard; BSA Swimming & Water Rescue; or other lifeguard, swimming instructor, etc. Test administrators should utilize chapter 5 of the [BSA Aquatics Supervision Guide](#).

NAME OF PERSON SUPERVISING & FACILITATING THE SWIM TEST:

Print Name

Signature

Type of Authorization/Training
(Attach a copy of certification if required by council procedure)

Expiration Date if applicable

SWIM CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURES

The swim classification of individuals participating in a Boy Scouts of America activity is a key element in Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. These swim classification tests are a foundational unit of the Aquatics Continuum.

All persons participating in BSA aquatics are classified according to swimming ability. The classification tests and test procedures have been developed and structured to demonstrate a skill level consistent with the individual's circumstances in the water.

SWIM TESTS FOR COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Swim tests for **council activities** are conducted following procedures approved by a council- level committee, preferably the Council Aquatics Committee. The council committee should use the guidance contained in *BSA Aquatics Management Guide*.

SPECIAL NOTE: When swim tests are conducted away from camp, the camp aquatics director retains the right to review or retest any or all participants to ensure that standards have been maintained.

REGARDLESS OF WHERE OR WHEN THE SWIM TEST IS GIVEN THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES APPLY:

- **The test is given one-on-one.** The test administrator and the swimmer are buddies during the administration of the test.
- **Each component of the test is important.** The test must not be changed either to assist the Scout or to expedite the process.
- **The test must be completed without aid or support.** Aid includes lifejackets, wetsuits, fins, etc. Swim goggles may be used to avoid eye irritation.
- **Swim tests must be renewed annually,** preferably at the beginning of the outdoor season.

TO THE SWIM TEST ADMINISTRATOR

SWIMMER'S TEST:

Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming. Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: side stroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting back stroke. The 100 yards must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

BEGINNER'S TEST:

Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, swim 25 feet on the surface, stop, turn sharply, resume swimming as before, and return to starting place.

Anyone who has not completed the beginner or swimmer tests is classified as a **nonswimmer**.

Special Needs / Dietary Request Form

Submit AT LEAST 2 WEEKS BEFORE START of Camp/Event

If you have a need that requires special attention due to medical or religious reasons, fill out this request form and submit to the Camp Director at Francisco.orozco@scouting.org. Please submit the completed form a minimum of two weeks before the person will be attending camp/event.

Name: _____ Troop # _____ Date: _____

Name of event: _____ Dates of event: _____ to _____

Location of Event: _____

We ask individuals requiring a very special diet (please use this option only if medically necessary or required by religion) I am submitting this form because I or a Scout coming with me (please check all that apply) ...

- Has a special diet (please answer the questions below)
- Has an allergy (please answer the questions below)
- Has a medical condition (please answer the questions below)
- Needs special arrangements (please answer the questions below) i.e. sleeping arrangements, medicine storage, transportation around camp, etc.

ALLERGIES:

Please name the allergen i.e. Peanuts): _____ What

is the trigger for a reaction to the allergen, please check all that apply:

Person has a negative reaction when the allergen is within _____ feet of the person: ___ Person

has a negative reaction when they come into physical contact with the allergen: _____

Person has a negative reaction only when ingesting or eating the allergen: ___

Please tell what reaction happens when the person comes into contact with this allergen _____

Is Allergy/ Restricted Controlled or treated by Medication? Yes _____ No _____

If so, will participant have this medication on them? Yes _____ No _____

MEDICAL CONDITION:

Please describe below in as much detail as possible the medical condition and special need. _____

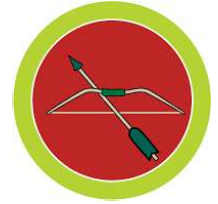
SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS:

Please describe dietary requests such as special food storage or vegan diets here. _____

OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS OR REQUESTS:

Please share other special arrangements or needs here not mentioned previously (please be specific)

Additional information /substitution suggestions useful to Food Service?



South Texas Council, BSA
Camp Karankawa Shooting Sports Archery Merit Badge

Scouting Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement

South Texas Council is conducting a shooting sports program. Scouts will be instructed how to handle, maintain, and shoot Archery safely and be provided instruction to increase their shooting skills. Scouts will have classroom instruction and range instruction in which they will shoot Archery under the supervision of a trained USA Archery Level 1 or higher certified Archery Instructor.

Scouts will be required to wear arm-guard and finger tabs protection while on the range. Scouts are expected to abide by all safety rules and the instructions of the USA Archery Level 1 or higher Archery Instructor(s).

I, the undersigned, give my child, _____, permission to participate in this program. I understand that participation in the activity involves a certain degree of risk.

I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for my child to participate in the activity. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by the rules and standards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

I understand that any additional cost associated with participation in this program will not be refunded if my child is removed due to behavioral problems. For safety, my child and I agree that they will do the following or they will be removed from the program:

1. Complete the training offered as part of the program.
2. Wear all safety gear while on the range.
3. Follow all safety rules provided in the training class.
4. Follow the instructions of the USA Archery Level 1 or higher Archery Instructor.
5. Do not handle any archery equipment until instructed to do so by the USA Archery Level 1 or higher Archery Instructor.
6. Follow the instructions of the USA Archery Level 1 or higher Archery Instructor.
7. Is registered as Scouts BSA, Sea Scout, or Venturer.

Participant signature _____ Date: _____

Unit _____ District _____

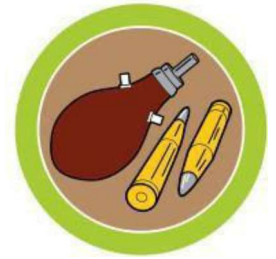
Parent/guardian signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian printed name _____ Date: _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____



South Texas Council, BSA
Camp Karankawa Shooting Sports Rifle Merit
Badge
Scout Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement



South Texas Council is conducting a shooting sports program. Scouts will be instructed how to handle, maintain, and shoot a Rifle safely and be provided instruction to increase their shooting skills. Scouts will have classroom instruction and range instruction in which they will fire a rifle under the supervision of a trained NRA Range Safety Officer and NRA certified Rifle Instructor.

Scouts will be required to wear eye protection and hearing protection always while on the range. Scouts are expected to abide by all safety rules and the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and Rifle Instructor(s).

I, the undersigned, give my child, _____, permission to participate in this program. I understand that participation in the activity involves a certain degree of risk.

I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for my child to participate in the activity. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by the rules and standards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

For safety, my child and I agree that they will do the following or they will be removed from the program. I understand that any additional cost associated with participation in this program will not be refunded if my child is removed due to behavioral problems.

1. Complete the training offered as part of the program.
2. Wear all safety gear always while on the range.
3. Follow all safety rules provided in the training class.
4. Follow the instructions of the NRA Range Safety Officer(s) and Rifle Instructor(s).
5. Do not handle any Rifles until instructed to do so by the NRA Rifle Instructor(s).
6. Follow the instructions of the NRA Range Safety Officer(s) always.
7. Is a registered Scouts BSA member, Venturer, or Sea Scout

Participant printed name _____ Date: _____

Unit _____ District _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian printed name _____ Date: _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

SOUTH TEXAS COUNCIL



South Texas Council, BSA
Camp Karankawa Shooting Sports Shotgun Merit Badge
Scout Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement

South Texas Council is conducting a shooting sports program. Scouts will be instructed how to handle, maintain, and shoot a shotgun safely and be provided instruction to increase their shooting skills. Scouts will have classroom instruction and range instruction in which they will fire a shotgun under the supervision of a trained NRA Range Safety Officer and NRA certified Shotgun Instructor.

Scouts will be required to wear eye protection and hearing protection always while on the range. Scouts are expected to abide by all safety rules and the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and Shotgun Instructor(s).

I, the undersigned, give my child, _____, permission to participate in this program. I understand that participation in the activity involves a certain degree of risk.

I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for my child to participate in the activity. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by the rules and standards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

For safety, my child and I agree that they will do the following or they will be removed from the program. I understand that any additional cost associated with participation in this program will not be refunded if my child is removed due to behavioral problems.

1. Complete the training offered as part of the program.
2. Wear all safety gear always while on the range.
3. Follow all safety rules provided in the training class.
4. Follow the instructions of the NRA Range Safety Officer(s) and Shotgun Instructor(s).
5. Do not handle any Shotguns until instructed to do so by the NRA Shotgun Instructor(s).
6. Follow the instructions of the NRA Range Safety Officer(s) always.
7. Is a registered Scouts BSA member, Venturer, or Sea Scout

Participant printed name _____ Date: _____

Unit _____ District _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian printed name _____ Date: _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____