

# Troop 614 Summer Camp Guide – 2019

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	BSA Health Form – Parts A, B, and C
	2019 MB List and schedule
	2019 MB sign up worksheet
	Special Needs Notification Form
	Clothing and equipment list
	General permission slip
	Shooting sports permission slip

## Key Milestones and Due Dates

2/01/19	\$50 – down payment
3/01/19	\$110 – first payment due
3/15/19	MB schedule selection due to Scoutmaster
4/01/19	\$110 – second payment due
5/01/19	\$110/balance – Final payment due
5/31/19	BSA Health Forms due (Parts A, B and C)
5/31/19	Special Needs forms due
5/31/19	Parent permission form due

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Location: Camp Cherokee, Yanceyville, NC

Dates: 6/30/19 – 7/06/19

Cost: \$320/Scout

Meet at FVBC parking lot at 10:30AM on 6/30/19. Parents requested to remain until their Scout completes troop check-in.

Return to FVBC parking lot at 10:30AM on 7/06/19.

Travel: We will travel in church vans. Scouts must travel in Class A uniform and carry swimsuit, towel, and Scout Handbook in daypack on van. No food or open drink containers will be permitted in the van. We will stop for a fast food lunch enroute to camp so Scouts should have some funds available. We will take the swimming safety check upon arrival at camp. All Scouts must wear their swimsuit under their uniform (or carry in daypack) and take a towel in their daypack on the van as we will not have access to any packed gear until we have finished our check in process.

Permission Slips: Each Scout must have a completed troop activity permission slip. .

Health Forms: Each Scout and adult attending Camp Cherokee must have a current version of the BSA Health Form Parts A, B and C. Part C must be signed by a physician/physician's assistant and all parts must be dated no earlier than 07/01/18. We must also have a copy of front and back of insurance card. If a Scout does not have insurance, please annotate "Self-Insured" on the health form.

Medications: Please have any medications placed in a zip lock bag with name of Scout and dosage information on a card in the bag. If the prescription bottle is not included, please enclose a copy of the prescription label. These will be given to a Scoutmaster before we depart from church. We will keep medications in a locked container at our campsite for Scouts to access on schedule with the Scoutmaster.

Meals: Our first meal at camp on Sunday will be supper and last meal at camp on Saturday is breakfast. Scouts will dine family style with their troop three meals per day. Scouts will take turns serving and cleaning up their troop table throughout the week. If your Scout has any medically related food allergies, please let the Scoutmaster know immediately. Camp Cherokee can accommodate to some extent but advance planning is critical.

Campsite: We will occupy Blackfoot – Site A. Scouts will share two-man tents. These tents are set on wood platforms. Each Scout will have a cot. Each troop campsite has access to running water and latrines. Hot showers are available near each campsite. Scouts will be assigned clean up responsibilities around the campsite during the week

Trading Post/Money: Camp Cherokee operates a trading post where Scouts can purchase materials for merit badges, snacks, camp t-shirts and other items. Scouts will be responsible for maintaining their

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own funds. \$50-\$55 for the week should suffice for a t-shirt and an occasional snack. Scouts taking rifle and shotgun shooting should have additional funds to purchase practice ammunition.

Merit Badges: Camp Cherokee offers 57 merit badges. Scouts should look over the merit badge list and select several of interest to them with an emphasis on Eagle required, aquatics and shooting sports merit badges, especially. Prerequisites, if any, will be discussed with the Scout during the counseling period. There is also a 2019 merit badge schedule so Scouts can get an idea of when merit badges are taught. We will review their selections with the Scouts to make sure they are aware of the requirements before we finalize the schedule on-line. Please note on the equipment list any special equipment to be brought for merit badges. Handicraft merit badges will require purchase of materials at the Trading Post. First year Scouts have an opportunity to participate in the F.R.O.G.S program where they learn basic Scouting skills that will aid the rank advancement in the troop. Scouts who have trouble passing the BSA Swimmers test should enroll in either the Beginner Swim or First Class Swim program to improve their swimming ability. We need your input on whether your Scout is a strong swimmer as this will help us guide him to the appropriate level of classes for merit badges and advancement.

Uniform: Your Scout must have a Class A uniform (shirt with all required patches and badges, green shorts/trousers, kerchief with slide, troop hat). This is the traveling uniform (minus the kerchief and merit badge sash and OA sash which should be packed) as well as being required for evening, meals, color ceremony each evening at camp and at campfires. Only closed toe and close heel shoes (no sandals) are permitted outside the troop campsite.

Activities: In addition to the full day of merit badge and F.R.O.G.S courses, CSR opens several program areas to general use so Scouts can swim, boat, shoot and visit other Scouts. Camp Cherokee holds a campfire ceremony on Thursday night for the entire camp. There are events available every evening and we will be encouraging Scouts to partner up and participate. They will also have the chance to meet Scouts from other troops other councils and other states.

### Contact Info:

Mailing Address (mail by Tuesday to arrive)

Scout's Name

Troop 614 / Blackfoot A campsite

Cherokee Scout Reservation

3296 Boy Scout Camp Road

Yanceyville, NC 273794

### Emergency Contact:

Camp Office..... 336-694-6440

(EMERGENCY ONLY/LAST RESORT)

Ken Lyles (Scoutmaster) 919-539-9413

Personal Electronics: We ask that Scouts leave their electronic devices at home to avoid their missing one of the points of being at camp – living with their fellow Scouts in the great outdoors. Having said

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that, we recognize that smart phones are also cameras and can also be used to help perform research for some merit badges. There is very limited cell service at Camp Cherokee and limited recharging opportunities. While this is a Scout camp, there is always the chance of someone who has not completely subscribed to the Scouting virtues stealing unsecured property. Scoutmasters can't take responsibility for securing each Scout's property. Additionally, our campsite will have only limited power in an open area for recharging.

Family Visitation: While Camp Cherokee does host a family night on Thursday, I ask that families consider simply wishing their Scouts well on departure Sunday and greeting them heartily on our return Saturday. We will be responsible for our own meal on Thursday evening. While it is natural to want to see what your Scout has done during the week, you will leave and he still has two nights remaining. Home sickness is very real and is difficult for Scoutmasters to overcome. The initial bout of home sickness on Sunday night has pretty much worked its way out by mid-week and having families and an opportunity to go home quickly restarts the process when the Scout should be enjoying the last days of camp which include a camp wide competition as well as completion of unfinished merit badge requirements. Early departure makes it more likely that a Scout will not complete his merit badges. It is also infectious as departure of one Scout tends to start a wave of others wanting to go.

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## CHEROKEE SCOUT RESERVATION SPECIAL NEEDS REQUEST

The staff at Cherokee Scout Reservation will do everything in its power to accommodate participants with special needs. Please complete this form and return it to your unit by 5/10/19

Unit Number: 614                      Council/District: Occoneechee / Black River

Week Attending Camp: 3 (6/30 – 7/06/19)

Scout Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Is there any physical limitations for your Scout? \_\_\_\_\_

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Food Allergies / Dietary Restrictions (please be specific and suggest alternatives):

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Medical Alerts and other special needs:

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## Day Pack

- Swimsuit (if not worn under uniform)
- Towel
- Canteen/water bottle (filled)
- Notebook and pen
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## Base Campers Personal Equipment and Clothing List

- BSA Field Uniform (Class A w/neckerchief and OA sash as applicable)
- Troop hat
- Bible
- Sweater or jacket
- Rugged pants (2 pr)
- Short pants (4 pr)
- Swim trunks (1 pr)
- T-shirts (6 including Troop 614 t-shirt)
- Rain gear (poncho or rain jacket)
- Underwear (6 pr)
- Socks and extra socks (6+)
- Pajamas/sleepwear
- Bath towels (3 – one each for swimming, showers and extra)
- Washcloths (2)
- Sleeping bag (40 degree) or blankets and sheets & pillow
- Water bottle (1 or 2 liter - reusable/Nalgene)
- Toiletries (soap and soapdish, toothpaste/toothbrush, deodorant, comb/brush)
- Tennis shoes (soft soled shoes required for Climbing Merit Badge)
- Hiking boots/Shoes (ONLY CLOSED TOE AND HEEL FOOTWEAR MAY BE WORN AT CAMP)
- Shower sandals (may be worn at shower house only)
- Watch
- Pens/pencils/paper/notebook
- Money for Trading Post (\$50-\$55)
- Scout Handbook
- Flashlight w/extra batteries
- Completed Medical Forms (turned into troop)
- Medications w/ labels
- Insect repellent
- Sunscreen
- Rope/parachute cord – 25' (for clothes line)

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NOTE: Label all articles of clothing and personal gear with scout's name and unit.

## OPTIONAL

- Digital Camera (required for Photography Merit Badge)
- Compass (required for Surveying, Orienteering and Geocaching Merit Badges)
- Sewing kit
- Fishing gear (required for Fishing Merit Badge)
- Pocketknife (folding style only – ToteNChip card required to have and use knife)
- Small camp stool/chair
- Merit Badge books for classes
- Mosquito net

**DO NOT BRING:** Scouts should not bring portable gaming devices, iPads/CD players, DVD players, sheath knife, fireworks, laptop/tablet, cell phones, etc. as Camp Cherokee and our troop are not responsible for lost or stolen items. Cell phones do not work well at Cherokee.

Some merit badges may require specific additional clothing or equipment.

First Year Scouts participating in F.R.O.G.S program **must** also bring:

- Daypack
- Compass
- Pocket knife (folding)
- Bandana/neckerchief
- Personal First Aid Kit containing:
  - 5 band aids
  - 1 tube antiseptic cream
  - Latex gloves
  - 2 roller bandages
  - Alcohol swabs
  - Moleskin
  - Tweezers
  - Calamine lotion

Scouts taking Swimming or Life-Saving Merit Badge:

- Belt
- Long sleeved button front shirt
- Long trousers
- Shoes that can get wet

Scouts taking First Aid Merit Badge must bring:

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- Personal First Aid Kit (see above)

Scouts taking Camping or Wilderness Survival Merit Badges must bring:

- Camping equipment for overnight
- Sleeping bag
- Poncho / ground cloth
- Mess kit
- Personal survival kit

All gear and clothing should be packed in a single Action Packer.