

PARENT GUIDE

2021 Three Rivers District Day Camp

DOWN ON THE FARM at the Champlain Valley Expo North Building

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Cub Scout Day Camp June 21-25 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Arrival</u>	<u>Departure</u>
Cub Day Camp	Monday	June 21	8:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.
	Tuesday	June 22	8:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.
	Wednesday	June 23	8:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.
	Thursday	June 24	8:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.
	Friday	June 25	8:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.

** This Parent Guide will be updated with specific location details for accessing Champlain Valley Expo

A Note about Family Scouting

With the exciting decision to offer the Cub Scout program to both boys and girls, we are happy to welcome the Family Scouting structure to Day Camp and invite sisters, cousins, friends, or any other Cub Scout age girls to Day Camp. Following the model that Packs use, our “dens” will be separated into boy and girl dens, but they will have all the same fun adventures. For more information, contact Gary or Alicia, or go to <https://www.scouting.org/familyscouting/>.

Arrival and Departure Policy

1. Parents are not to drop off their camper in the parking lot, nor will any camper be allowed to wait in the parking lot to be picked up. The campers are to arrive in camp and be checked-in with their Den Leader. Parents and/or guardians must walk their camper(s) to and from the den area each day.
2. Expo North Access will be via the main entrance on Pearl Street (by the big expo sign). Proceed straight ahead until you see the sign for scout camp at the ticket shack and turn right. Proceed down the road until you see a large parking lot to your right. Turn right into the parking lot and park as close to the building you see straight ahead as possible. Enter by the fair ticket booths and proceed to the first building on your right. Enter thru the glass doors. Welcome to camp!
3. Monday morning check in: Boy Scouts (Youth Staff) and adult Staff will greet the campers on the first day at check-in and provide each camper with directions to either their den if they completed early check-in or to the check-in tables. We do our best to move this process as quickly as we can,

and you can help by having your camper's medical form and copy of insurance card completed before arrival.

4. **Optional Early Check In (June 12th):** We will have an optional early check on *Saturday afternoon 1:00pm-4:00pm at 64 Briar Lane, Essex Junction*. If you are available during this time, you can make sure your camper has all the forms complete and on file with the camp office including medical forms and get your scouts den number. This will allow you to pick up your T-Shirts on the way in Monday morning, get a temperature check (daily) and go directly to your scout's assigned den area to drop off the scout. You will be on your way in minutes!
5. Campers will report for a daily temperature check on their way into the building and then checked in and out at their den table each day. Do not leave your child unless their adult Den Leader is present. All campers and staff will receive a new wrist band each day at temperature check and for identification purposes. The camp t-shirt is our uniform while in camp - please be sure your camper wears it each day. Unvaccinated adults are asked to wear masks to protect the children please.
6. No one on the daily roster may leave or re-enter camp at any time without notifying the camp office. Anyone leaving or returning to the camp must sign in and out at the office.
7. No camper will be released to a person not on that camper's release list provided at registration. Please make sure that you have completed this portion of the registration form. Please make sure your name is on the list as well. Forms may be updated or checked on the first day of camp at check-in. Be sure to clearly indicate who may NOT pick up your child.

Medical Forms

- Each person in camp (adult or child) must have a completed official BSA medical form parts A & B on file with the Camp Medical Officer. All children must have a camper release form signed and on file in the camp office.
- There will be a Camp Medical Officer on duty during scheduled camp hours. Medications should only be given to the Camp Medical Officer. Make sure all medications are labeled with the scout's name, dose, frequency, etc. This information must also be included on the camper's medical form. Refrigeration for medicine will be provided through the first aid station.
- PLEASE tell us if there is anything we should know about your camper to help make it a fun week for all. It is a huge help to us if we know ahead of time how we can have a successful camp for everyone attending.

What to Bring to Camp?

- Masks! We ask that each camper have two masks with them at arrival each day.
- Comfortable Closed Toe Shoes – Absolutely no sandals, Crocs, or flip flops. Socks should be worn to prevent blisters. *Same applies to adults in camp!*
- Camp T-shirts (provided the first day of camp), this is a safety requirement!
- WATER BOTTLE – will be refilled throughout the day.
- Day Pack (small – to carry water bottle, rain gear, hat)
- Hat

- Sunscreen – apply before camp.
- Rain gear
- Lunch (see below)
- Have the Camper's name on everything - huge help in getting things back to the owner.

What Not to Bring

- Anything not on the other list
- **Campers are not to have electronics of any kind.** Cell phones, games, iPods, etc. should all be left at home. Camp is not the place for these devices.
- Campers are not to have any type of pocket-knife with them in camp.
- Adults may not use cell phones at the BB and archery ranges due to safety concerns.
- Three Rivers District assumes no liability for any electronic devices brought to camp.
- No personnel archery or BB equipment. We will provide appropriate equipment for your camper.

Lunches

- Each person in camp must bring their own lunch as well as a mid-morning snack.
- Camp is remarkably busy and sometimes the campers get hungry before lunchtime, so we have a break time during morning program. Please pack a snack for this time if your camper would like one. This is much better than having them "raid" their lunches, which inevitably results in little left at lunchtime.
- Water is available and always encouraged during the day and at lunch.
- Lunches will be stored in a cool place. Refrigeration is expected to be available. Keep the lunches in small compact bags or containers. Otherwise we will run out of room in the coolers.

Optional Pre and Post Camp Care

- To make Day Camp available and convenient for as many families as we can, we are offering an early drop off and late pick up option again this year. We will have Staff available beginning at 7:30 for early drop off, and again at the end of the day 4:30-5:30 for later pick up. This will not be part of the daytime program but a gathering time for games, crafts, and other activities.
- We will not be able to offer this for Monday morning due to the difficulty in first day check-in, but the remainder of the week the early option will be available.
- Fees for this option will be as follows (registration form is available on the Day Camp website):
 - \$5 per session or if you chose the whole week:
 - Early drop off will be \$20 for the 4 days, Tuesday through Friday
 - Late pick up will be \$25 for Monday through Friday.
- This can be paid at the beginning of the camp week.
- The additional fee is used to cover activities costs.
- We have many families who begin arriving at camp much earlier than the 8:30 time, so if you need this service, please use it. If you chose not to, we would welcome your camper at 8:30.
- If you are interested in this service or have questions, please email daycamptrd@gmail.com

Tag-a-Longs

- Tag-a-Longs are siblings/children of Cub Scout age coming to camp with an adult who is volunteering. Children younger than 5 cannot be in camp during the day. We do not have enough staff to cover a Tot Lot.
- Same hours and rules as apply for the registered campers. Bring the same items to camp as the campers.
- Must have a completed medical form signed and on file with the medical officer. Tag-a-Longs must also wear a name band at all times in camp and are the responsibility of their adult in camp at all times.
- If camp fees are paid the Tag-a-Long can participate with the campers.

Older Children

- Children older than Cub Scout age may be able to volunteer to help during camp as part of the Youth Staff. All young people are different – if you believe your child is mature for their age, please let us know . . . we have had terrific “young” Youth Staff but in general prefer them to be at least 14 years old. Please contact the camp director for further information.
- If in camp, these children must wear a name band and must follow all camp rules.

Smoking Policy

- Smoking is prohibited in all program areas.
- Smoking is prohibited in front of the scouts, in view of scouts, or where they may be exposed to secondhand smoke at any time during camp.
- Smoking is permitted only in the designated area provided by the camp. Please see a staff member for information. Please deposit cigarette butts in the container provided. Do not litter our beautiful camp.

Lost & Found

We will try to return all items to their owners. Make sure your child’s name is on all belongings. Lost and found items are displayed during morning flag, lunch, and evening flag each day. We will not keep items lost after the conclusion of camp on Friday so if you are missing an item, please check in the camp office before the end of camp.

THANK YOU to Champlain Valley Expo for their support of our program.

Any other questions or concerns: Gary Coryer (802.238.3408) or Alicia Watts (802.752.0879)

