

KERR RANCH at SLIPPERY FALLS

SUMMER CAMP 2017

June 25-July 1

TROOP 272 SCOUTS and PARENTS...

Before you begin making your merit badge class selections for summer camp, **PLEASE** make sure that you have reviewed which badges you have already earned. Check with Mr. Pruitt regarding which classes you need and which might be the most appropriate to take this summer.

Read the merit badge class descriptions carefully, making sure that you are making the **best** choices for your summer camp experience. Scouts should arrive at camp with a general knowledge of the classes they will be taking during the week. Although merit badge pamphlets are available at the trading post, but I recommend that you purchase a merit badge pamphlet for each of your classes **prior** to camp. You should also bring a notebook/binder and pen/pencils for each merit badge session.

NOTE:

The merit badge sessions are, for the most part, offered every day during **six** scheduled session times. There may be scheduled field trips during some of the class sessions, like Animal Science, Art, Citizenship in the Nation, and Indian Lore. Some merit badges and programs may require that you attend **two** or **three** sessions each day, including **EAGLE TRAIL** which is a **three**-session class block.

IMPORTANT:

- (1) The first requirement of many merit badges is to know the first aid procedures for common illness or injuries that may occur during class/activity. The badge counselors will touch on the topic of first aid, but Scouts need to be familiar with basic first aid procedures before attempting more adventurous merit badge classes.
- (2) Some merit badges have requirements that can't be finished in a camp setting which will be indicated on your class description/selection pages. The Kerr Ranch Scout camp staff recommends that these requirements be completed at home **BEFORE** you come to camp, and will accept a note from the Scoutmaster or another merit badge counselor for completion of those requirements. Camp counselors will review these requirements with the Scouts to their satisfaction.
- (3) Some merit badges have requirements dealing with "your state" or "your community." If a merit badge requirement is completed at summer camp, Kerr Ranch Scout will use Oklahoma as the state and Tishomingo as the community. It may be necessary for you to finish some requirements in your home, family, or community.
- (4) Several badges have special clothing or equipment that Scouts **must** bring to camp. This will be indicated on your merit badge class description/selection pages.

If you have any questions about specific merit badge classes, ask Mr. Pruitt. If you have any questions about your class selections/schedule, you and/or your parents can email me at coachnmama@taylortel.net. I will do everything possible to make sure that you are registered for the merit badge classes that you request.

Thank you,

Jo Salinas