



**Winter Camp 2024 Leader Guide  
Registration Deadline December 8th**



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## Warner Scout Reservation

Camp Tukabatchee is one of two camps located on the 1,000-acre Warner Scout Reservation. The camp is owned and operated by the Tukabatchee Area Council, BSA, and encompasses approximately 350 acres of the reservation.

Camp Tukabatchee opened in the summer of 2000. The camp features a 50-acre lake for swimming, rowing, canoeing, sailing, and fishing.

Camp Program features include an excellent shooting sports center incorporating rifle, shotgun, chalkball, and archery. The waterfront area includes a full aquatics program, including fishing, swimming, sailing, motor-boating, canoeing, kayaking, and paddleboarding. Camp Tukabatchee offers other program elements such as mountain biking, hiking, handicrafts, Scoutcraft, and sundry nature and environmental centers.

Meals are served cafeteria style in a large air-conditioned and heated dining hall. The administrative building at camp is an air-conditioned and heated facility that provides visitors with restrooms and space for training and meetings. An air-conditioned 4-bed infirmary provides medical support for the camp - pavilions, staff cabins, and a trading post complete the basic camp components.

Campsites are spacious. Most campsites encompass 3 acres and are designed for 32 Scouts and leaders. Each campsite has a multiuse pavilion. Underground utilities provide electricity and public county water to each campsite, weather permitting.

## Welcome

Welcome to Camp Tukabatchee! This guide is prepared so you can plan an exciting winter program for your scouts.

Reservations for camp will be accepted beginning in August until all spaces are full.

We hope you find this guide helpful as you plan your winter program. Please contact us if you have questions not covered here or if we may assist you otherwise.

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## Camp Dates / Times

Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup> – Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

Check-in: Campers arrive as a unit on January 12<sup>th</sup> between 5:00 and 6:00 pm.

Check-out: Arrange for transportation/departure by 12:00 pm on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Key Dates

<b>November 15th</b>	<a href="#">Winter Camp Staff Applications</a> are due to Kevin Houlditch ( <a href="mailto:khoulditch@gmail.com">khoulditch@gmail.com</a> ).
<b>December 8th</b>	Troop Reservations are Due to Blount Scout Service Center: Merit Badge Requests Campership Requests T-Shirt Sizes <i>Note: A \$25 Late Fee will be charged after December 8th. Late registrants may not receive a t-shirt or patch.</i>
<b>December 8th</b>	<a href="#">Special Dietary Requests</a> are due.

## Campsite Occupancy

Weather permitting, campsites will be available during Winter Camp. However, **freezing conditions may make water unavailable at the campsites**. Campsite assignments will be made based on:

1. Forecasted weather conditions.
2. The number and size of Troops registered for camp.

Troops may choose to camp in Alibamu Field near the central restrooms, which will be open for use by all troops.

Troops will be responsible for cleaning the central restroom or assigned campsite restrooms (as applicable) according to the posted schedule.

## Camperships

No scout should miss the opportunity to experience Winter Camp because of the lack of funds. Camperships may be available to assist Tukabatchee Area Council scouts who cannot afford the entire Winter Camp fee. Camperships are available to cover a partial amount of camp fees. The Unit and or the Scout are responsible for the remainder. Please contact Denise Miller at the Council Office (334) 262-2697 for a Campership application and full details on the Campership Program.

## Directions to Camp Tukabatchee

**From I-65:** Take Exit 186 (US 31 Prattville – Pine Level). Go north on US 31 for 2.5 miles to Autauga County Road 40. Turn left on Autauga County Road 40 and go 2.5 miles. Turn right on Autauga County Road 59. Travel 0.8 miles to the Camp Tukabatchee entrance on the left.

**From Alabama Highway 22:** Turn south at US 31. Turn right on Autauga County Road 40 and drive for 2.5 miles. Turn right on Autauga County Road 59. Travel 0.8 miles to the Camp Tukabatchee entrance on the left.

## Camp Address and Contact Information

Camp Tukabatchee  
2109 County Road 59  
Prattville, AL 36067  
Council Office: 334-262-2697

## Insurance

Out of Council Troops must provide accident insurance for each scout at camp. Please have your policy ready at check-in.

## Online Registration

Camp fees may be paid online. Visit the registration links on the council website. There is a small fee to pay online, but it will save you time, money, and gas. Online Winter camp registration is available beginning September 8th.

## Refund Policy

A refund policy is outlined in the Camp Tukabatchee Information and Policy Packet found on the Council and Camp Tuk websites, with the following amendment:

*T-shirt fees will not be refunded after December 8<sup>th</sup>.*

## Leadership

Each troop must always have at least 2 adult leaders at camp. Every unit serving female scouts must have a registered female adult leader present at the camp. If your unit cannot provide the required 2-deep leadership, contact the Camp Director to help identify another unit willing to share leadership. Scouts may not attend Winter Camp unaccompanied by adult leadership. Adult leaders must register and provide current BSA Youth Protection Training Certification.

Please communicate with camp management throughout the duration of the camp. There will be times during the day when you will get to talk about challenges to be addressed. We also ask that you complete the Winter Camp Survey to help us improve the Tukabatchee Winter Camp experience.

## Special Dietary Requests

Special dietary requests for medical or religious reasons must be made by December 8<sup>th</sup>. Every effort will be made to work with troops to accommodate these requests. Please note an additional fee may be required if we cannot accommodate these needs with the commissary stock.

## Scoutmaster Help

Help from Scoutmasters is ALWAYS appreciated and needed. If you would like to conduct free-time activities or teach a merit badge class, please let the Camp Director know by November 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Camp Orientation Meeting

On January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm, a camp orientation meeting will be held in the dining hall. Unit SPLs and one Adult Leader must attend the Camp Orientation Meeting.

## What to Bring to Winter Camp (recommended list)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BSA Handbook                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag (20° rating suggested) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class B Troop Shirt(s) & hat/cap        | <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing (4 days)                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Day Pack                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Current BSA Med Forms               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight & Batteries                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Merit Badge Booklets                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shoes (2 pair – closed toe/closed heel) | <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy Jacket                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweatshirt or Hoodie                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Note Pad & Pen                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Gear                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Warm Socks                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Towel                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Watch                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tent & Ground Cloth                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Hygiene Items                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Trading Post \$ (no more than \$50) |

## Camp Check-In

1. Arrive as a unit between 5 pm and 6 pm on January 12<sup>th</sup>. If you arrive late, you will not have time to complete all the check-in procedures.
2. Park all vehicles in the camp parking lot. Do not park parallel to the trees. Consolidate all gear in the unit vehicle or vehicle & trailer. That vehicle will be granted access to drive to the designated unit campsite to unload and then return to the camp parking lot. **Vehicles may not drive on Alibamu Field.**
3. Scouts will proceed by foot to the designated campsite after camp check-in is completed. All prescription medications must be taken to the First Aid Lodge at check-in for review by Camp Med Staff.
4. Scoutmasters will remain at the Camp Administration Office to complete the check-in process and pay any remaining fees. Every effort will be made to expedite this process.
5. Unit SPLs and one Adult Leader must attend the Camp Orientation Meeting at the Dining Hall at 6:30 p.m.

## What to Bring to Check-In

1. Proof of troop accident insurance (only for out-of-council troops)
2. Camper Program Permission Slips
3. Updated Roster
4. All Outstanding Camp Fees
5. Current BSA Medical Forms (with a copy of insurance card) for each camper
6. Medications

## Camp Staff

We are always looking for Scouts and Adult Leaders to be part of our Camp Staff. Staff members must be at least 15 years old by November 15th, prior to camp (no exceptions). A staff application is available online with Winter Camp resources.

Please remember, applying for Camp Staff is not an automatic hiring or acceptance. Please communicate with the Camp Director regarding the status of Camp Staff applications.

## Winter Camp Fees

Adult Leaders	\$100
Youth Campers	\$140
Adult or Youth Staff	\$65



# Camp Tukabatchee Camper Program Permission Slip

**For scouts and guests under the age of 19 participating in Camp Tukabatchee - Winter Camp programs.**

\_\_\_\_\_ of Troop/Crew # \_\_\_\_\_  
*Print Scout Name*

has my permission to participate in all activities and use the equipment provided by the camp or his/her personal bicycle during Winter Camp at Camp Tukabatchee.

Activities that my scout may NOT participate in:

Shooting Sports

Class Off-Site Visit

Welding

Free Time Activities Requiring Off-Site Visit

If my scout brings a personal bicycle, I have personally inspected it or had it inspected and confirmed it is in good mechanical condition.

## HOLD HARMLESS / RELEASE AGREEMENT

I understand participation in the above-listed activities at Camp Tukabatchee involves a certain degree of risk that could result in injury or death. In consideration of the benefits to be derived, after carefully considering the risk involved, and because the Boy Scouts of America is a not-for-profit organization, I hereby release and hold harmless and waive all claims against Boy Scouts of America, Tukabatchee Area Council, BSA, activity coordinator(s), all employees, volunteers, or sponsors associated with this activity.

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Camp Tukabatchee Registration Winter Camp 2024

Name:	Age on January 12 <sup>th</sup> :
Address:	Troop/Crew # <span style="float: right;">Rank:</span>
City/Zip:	Parent/Guardian Name:
Phone #:	Parent/Guardian Phone:
Email:	Parent/Guardian Email:

Registration Type (includes 1 shirt and 1 patch)	Fee	Due
Youth Camper – S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL (circle)	\$140	
Adult Leader – S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL (circle)	\$100	
Staff (Adult or Youth) - S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL (circle)	\$65	
Late Fee (after December 8th)	\$25	
Additional Items (may not be available after 12/8)	Fee	Due
Shirt – S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL (circle)	\$20	
Patch – Qty:	\$3	
<b>Total Due</b>		<b>\$</b>

Merit Badge Classes					
<i>Please prioritize ten classes (1-10). You will be assigned up to four classes.</i>					
	Archeology		Architecture		Citizenship in Community
	Astronomy		Auto Maintenance		Citizenship in Society
	Chemistry		Disabilities Awareness		Citizenship in the Nation
	Digital Technology		Electricity		Citizenship in the World
	Engineering		Forestry		Communications
	Environmental Science		Home Repair		First Aid
	Geology		Landscape Architecture		
	Nuclear Science		Law		
	Plant Science		Metalwork		<b>Non-Merit Badge Options:</b>
	Programming		Photography		Operation 1 <sup>st</sup> Class (scouts)
	Robotics		Salesmanship		Life to Eagle (leaders or scouts)
	Space Exploration		Traffic Safety		Shooting Sports (age 14+)
			Welding		Dutch Oven / Cast Iron Cooking (leaders or scouts)