#### Seven Mountains Scout Camp 2020 Summer Camp Roundtable



Juniata Valley Council, BSA May 20, 2020



# Agenda

- Goals
- Current Schedule Updates
- Program Differences
- Day Camp Update
- Camp in a Box
- Medical Forms
- Health and Safety
- Looking Ahead
- Questions



# Goals of Tonight's Discussion

- Current Information
- Updates to Normal Camp Program
- Camp in a Box
- Health and Safety
- "What If" and Look Ahead
- Submitting Questions to JVC

Note: The COVID-19 pandemic is an extremely fluid situation. Tonight's discussion is where we see that current situation and all items are constantly subject to change. Any changes will be communicated as needed.

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#### Current 2020 Summer Schedule

- No Camps Being Held in June
- Scouts BSA Camp
  - Week 1 Remains: July 5<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Week 2 Remains: July 12<sup>th</sup> July 18<sup>th</sup>
- Webelos Camp Remains July 19<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Day Camp Moved to July 20<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Family Camp Moved to July 20<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup>



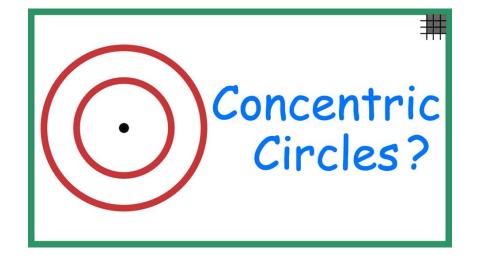
## Program Differences for 2020

- Program Differences Being Considered
  - Units will be required to bring their own tents for all camps. No canvas tents are planned to be set.
  - All camp wide activities will be cancelled for the summer. Including campfires, evening programs, OA Call outs, Family nights, etc.
  - Family Visitation Nights (Scouts BSA & Webelos) will be eliminated.
  - Troop Courts of Honor can not be held during camp.
  - Program time and rotations will be changed to reflect as much social distancing as possible. Units will remain together through-out the day.
- All areas of camp are being reviewed to comply with anticipated and changing CDC and PA DOH guidelines that must be followed during camp.

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#### **Concentric Circles**

- Concentric Circle concept enables proper social distancing standards while keeping units from different geographical areas away from each other.
- Creates groups of up to 25 Scouts and Leaders.
- Large troops will be their own circle while smaller troops from the same geographical areas may be put together.
- Individual circles will move throughout camp together the entire week.





### **Proper Rotations**

- Each Concentric Circle will move together the entire week.
- A new schedule has been developed allowing for each Concentric Circle to visit every program area every day.
- Schedule includes 15 minute gaps to allow staff to properly sanitize their area before the next group arrives.

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# New Schedule (Scouts BSA)

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8-9 am	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
9-10:15 am	Rotation 1				
10:30-12 pm	Rotation 2				
12-1:30 pm	Lunch & Siesta				
1:30-2:45 pm	Rotation 3				
3-4:15 pm	Rotation 4				
4:30-5:45 pm	Rotation 5				
6-7 pm	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
7:30-9 pm	Evening Program				
9 pm-8 am	In-site Time				



# New Schedule (Webelos)

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8-9 am	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
9-10:15 am	Session 1	Session 1	Session 1	Session 1
10:30-12 pm	Session 2	Session 2	Session 2	Session 2
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:30-2:30 pm	Siesta	Siesta	Siesta	Siesta
2:30-3:45 pm	Session 3	Session 3	Session 3	Session 3
4-5:15 pm	Session 4	Session 4	Session 4	Session 4
6-7 pm	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
7-9 pm	Evening Program	Evening Program	Evening Program	Evening Program
9 pm - 8 am	In-site time	In-site time	In-site time	In-site time



### Merit Badges



- MB's will be more of an a la cart style of choosing.
- Limited offerings only 4-6 per area each week
  - Down from 10
- Scouts still have the opportunity to earn between 5 and 8 merit badges throughout the week.
- When registering online continue to register each scout as you normally would.
- New badge selections will be made Monday and Tuesday upon arriving at your rotational program area.



## Merit Badges

- Aquatics
  - Lifesaving, Swimming, Canoeing, Kayaking, BSA Paddleboard, Instructional Swim
- Scoutcraft
  - Pioneering, Geocaching, Fire Safety, Camping, Orienteering
- Handicraft
  - Leatherwork, Woodcarving, Public Speaking, Photography, Movie Making, Scouting Heritage
- Shooting/First Aid
  - Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, First Aid, Citizenship in the Nation
- Nature
  - Forestry, Nature, Sustainability, Weather



#### Netami

The First Year Camper program will be incorporated into the evening program time where counselors will visit CC's and conduct an older scout program and a Netami instructional program.

Requirements that will be completed will be limited and each scout will still receive a list of requirements completed that may be signed off by the unit leader.



## **Evening Programs**

- Each evening your CC will be assigned a different "program area"
- You will either visit that area (i.e. aquatics) or they will come to you (i.e. scoutcraft)
- During this time staff will provide some form of evening program in the form of games, instruction, etc.
- Netami Scouts will also have the opportunity to work on their rank advancements during evening program.



# Webelos Updates

- The Webelos schedule aligns with the CC format and will not be amended much.
- The schedule will reflect more time between sessions to allow for proper sanitation to take place.
- Evening programs will run similar to that of Scouts BSA Camp as CC's will be assigned a program area each night.

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# Day Camp Updates

- Webelos and Day Camp are planned to run simultaneously.
- These will be run as separate camps with camp staff executing Webelos Camp and volunteer staff executing Day Camp.
- Due to logistics of social distancing and pre-camp screening, the busing of scouts to Day Camp will be discontinued for 2020.
- Family Camp will still run concurrently with Day Camp. Families will be required to provide tents. Please let us know if you need assistance in locating a tent to borrow.
- Any fees already paid for the 5<sup>th</sup> day and for busing (as part of the original rate) will be refunded.



# Day Camp Updates

- Schedule
  - The CC design of scheduling already fits into the Day Camp Schedule so no changes will be needed



## Camp in a Box

- Juniata Valley Council is working to provide an online virtual camp for those scouts and parents who are not comfortable attending Seven Mountains this summer.
- This program will allow for scouts to earn badges from home and receive instruction from our counselors here at camp.
- This version of camp will be provided for each camp (SBSA, Webelos, and Day Camp)
- As the program develops we will announce pricing, schedules, box contents, and more!



#### **Medical Forms**

- Participants with a Part C completed on or after February 1, 2019
  - Validity of any part C is extended until August 31, 2020
  - Parts A & B are to be updated 2 weeks prior to attending camp
- Participants with no Part C or one prior to February 1, 2019 including new members
  - Attach a completed alternate exam (sports, school, annual well exam at pediatrician) that took place after February 1, 2019. It will be accepted until August 31, 2020
  - Parts A & B are to be updated 2 weeks prior to attending camp.

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 At risk individuals – National is recommending doctor's concurrence to attend camp.

# Health & Safety

In keeping with social distancing requirements and to help keep campers/staff safe, JVC is working toward implementing a number of changes including:

- Increased Screening and Staggered Check-in Periods Assigned
- Increased Staff Training and Management
- Enhanced Medical Check Protocols
- Increased Camp Sanitation Measures
- Social Distancing Measures
- Personal Hygiene Hand Washing and Sanitizer Stations
- Altered Dining Hall Procedures To-Go Breakfast/Lunch Plans and Dinner Seatings by Concentric Circles
  - Including increased awareness/notification of Special Diets
- Revised Visitor Procedures
- Guidelines for Infected Individuals
- Unit Buy-in



# "What If" and Looking Ahead

JVC Staff, Risk Management and Camping Committees have been meeting and developing options should we need to cancel the planned on-site camps. Alternate plans being developed include:

- Rotating Mini-Day Camps in Various District Locations
- Partial On-line Scouts BSA and Webelos Camps with Weekend Camp On-site in the late Summer/Fall
- Full Virtual Scouts BSA, Webelos and Day Camps



## Questions & Feedback

- Questions
  - As you or your families have questions, please reach out to your District Executive (Andrew, Brennan or Josh).



JVC would like to thank all of our units, leaders, scouts and families for their patience as we work through these details.

Together, we hope to see you at Seven Mountains Scout Camp soon.

