

Longhorn Council Cub Scout Family Camping Policy

In order to meet BSA standards and to be covered by BSA liability insurance, Cub Scout Pack Family camp-outs must include a Baloo and a YPT certified leader and must be held at a facility that has been inspected and approved by the Council Camping Committee. Unit leaders assume personal liability for campouts that are not conducted at an approved facility or that do not follow BSA policies. Camp Rangers will not allow Packs onsite without a YPT certified leader onsite or to overnight camp without a Baloo certified leader. The Longhorn Council Camping Committee has approved 27 locations for Cub Scout Pack Family Camping. The following is the Longhorn Council's Family Camping Policy.

- **Family camp-outs may be conducted TWICE per year, in addition to participation in Council activities.**
- **Pack Family Camping at Council activities does NOT count toward the limit of two outings per year.** These include Fall Festival, Cub-O, Cub Family Adventures, Webelos Woods, and Cub Resident Camp.
- Family camp-outs may include one family or a group of families from the same unit.
- Family camp-outs are to involve fun-filled, no-pressure, non-competitive activities which include participation by family members and siblings. Cub Scout activities should not include advancement for advancement's sake.
- **Family camp-outs conducted as part of a Scouting program must be held at a facility that has been inspected and approved by the council camping committee to meet BSA Standards.** Unit leaders may assume personal liability for campouts not conducted at an approved facility. Camps currently approved for Family Camping are:
 1. Worth Ranch, Palo Pinto
 2. Sid Richardson Scout Ranch, Bridgeport
 3. Camp Tahuaya, Belton
 4. Camp Jim Braley, Waco
 5. Camp Shuman, Lake Worth
 6. Hills and Hollows, Denton
 7. Dinosaur Valley State Park, Glen Rose
 8. Lake Whitney State Park, Whitney
 9. Meridian State Park, Meridian
 10. Cedar Hill State Park, Duncanville
 11. Fort Parker State Park, Mexia
 12. Old Fort Parker Historic Site, Groesbeck
 13. Ray Roberts Lake State Parks - Isle du Bois Unit, Pilot Point
 14. Ray Roberts Lake State Parks - Johnson Branch Unit, Valley View
 15. Cleburne State Park, Cleburne
 16. Fort Richardson State Park*, Jacksboro
 17. Camp Barnette, Lion's Club¹, Southlake
 18. Meadowmere Park², Grapevine
 19. Lloyd Park³, Grand Prairie
 20. Mineral Wells State Park, Mineral Wells
 21. Hickory Creek Park, on Lake Lewisville
 22. Dana Peak Park, Harker Heights
 23. Live Oak Park, Copperas Cove
 24. Colorado Bend State Park, Bend, TX
 25. Lake Park, Lewisville
 26. Bear Creek Park, USACE, Lake Benbrook
 27. Eisenhower State Park, Dennison
- **At least one adult from the Pack who is attending a campout must have completed BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) and Youth Protection Training.** The person(s) holding BALOO and YPT certification must be present at the family campout the entire time.
- Family Camping reflects the Longhorn Council's commitment to offer a progressive Scouting program with age-appropriate camping activities. The goal of the pack camping activity is to provide a successful Pack camping outing that is:
 1. Fun
 2. Based on the purposes of Cub Scouting.
 3. Successful in whetting the appetite of the Cub Scouts, his parents, and the leaders to want more of the outdoors.

NOTE: Most parks no longer have pay phones - need cell phones for emergency communication.

* Has cliffs (not close to campgrounds).

¹ Does not have facilities for people with disabilities, no public phone, not all campsites are close to restrooms

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