

2023 NATIONAL JAMBOREE



It'll be here before you know it...

The 2023 National Scout Jamboree will be held at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia July 19-28, 2023. The Summit has some of the most premiere outdoor high adventure elements in the county... whitewater rafting and kayaking, mountain bike and BMX tracks, canopy tours, awesome rock climbing opportunities, and soooooo much more, plus hundreds of other scouting activities. This will be one of the biggest highlights of anyone's scouting career.

LOCAL INFO FOR NEPA SCOUTS...

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Council plans to send a Contingent of 36 male Scouts BSA (up to age 20) and 4 Leaders (1 Troop), as well as 8 female Scouts BSA (up to age 20) and 2 Leaders (1 Patrol) to the Jamboree. If we do not fill the youth/young adult spots, we can take additional BSA-registered adults 21 or over. The Council cost for the Jamboree has not been finalized yet but will be around \$1800. This will include the Jamboree fee, transportation costs, and pre-Jamboree training weekends and all major gear, equipment, meals and incidentals. Fundraising opportunities may also be offered to help defray some of the cost.

HOW TO SIGN UP....

National has set up a great web site that has lots of information about the Summit and the Jamboree. It is at www.bsajamboree.org. The initial application process begins there also. All youth and adult applicants should complete the online registration and when completed, print it off and then get it to **our local** NEPA Council Service Center with your \$100 deposit to hold your spot. Your deposit will count against the final Jamboree cost but will be non-refundable if you decide not to participate. Please be prepared with your BSA ID/registration number when you go online to register. The 36 & 8 youth/young adult slots will be filled on a "first come, first registered" basis. The slot will be held with the \$100 deposit. All registrants after number 36 & 8 will be placed on a waiting list.

QUALIFICATIONS...

Youth participants must be at least 12 years old by the first day of the Jamboree. And since the 2021 Jamboree was cancelled, there is an option for **young adults**, 18-20 years old, to participate as well.

BEING A JAMBOREE ADULT LEADER or PARTICIPANT...

The adults applying to participate must meet the qualifications for the position they are applying for. They are listed on the same web site. Our male contingent will have a Scoutmaster and 3 Assistant Scoutmasters, all of which must be 21 or older by the time of the Jamboree. The 2 adult leaders for the

female patrol must be 21 or older. At least one must be female.

All leaders applying for these positions, or as general adult participants, will go through an interview process to be selected. Adult Leaders will be selected as applications are received. If an adult applicant is not selected, the \$100 deposit will be refunded.

Any adults interested in serving in a Jamboree contingent leadership role with our Council must make application online and submit a deposit as soon as possible!



QUESTIONS can be directed to Chris Bender, Chair or Dave Srebro at the Service Center. We look forward to seeing you at the Summit in 2023! 570-207-1227 x225 or dave.srebro@scouting.org