



PROGRAM PACKAGE

A Guide for Participants & Parents

DAN BEARD COUNCIL CONTINGENT

2021 National Jamboree
at the Summit Bechtel Reserve
July 21-30, 2021



This Program Package is designed to be an overview to guide participants and parents through the early stages of our preparation for the 2021 National Jamboree. It is NOT intended to be all the information a participant will need. We have designed this package to include information we believe is not likely to change. As we prepare for this adventure, more details will be communicated.

Communication & Updates

The national staff for the jamboree is continually providing updates to council contingents as they work towards their plan. **Please be patient, as we get closer to the event, we have planned communication releases that will be sent out to keep you informed.** Following, are places where you can learn more information:

Preparation Events Each unit in the contingent will have a couple of meetings which are intended to give Scouts/Venturers and parents the opportunity to become acquainted with the unit leaders. The program, outlined in the schedule for the contingent, has been carefully planned to prepare participants for this experience. ***Attendance at these events is crucial to a participant being part of a group that is working through the natural stages of team development.***

Like us on Facebook at “**DBC National Jamboree**” and follow along as we post fun facts and interesting details about upcoming activities. Our Facebook page will also be a place for parents to watch as we post photos from the jamboree site.



Email Updates Know that we will continue to update participants using the “preferred email address” which you provided on the Dan Beard Council registration page. This “*Program Package – A Guide for Participants & Parents*” will be posted on the jamboree page at www.danbeard.org. If it should be revised, a summary of revisions will be listed in the revised document.



Contingent Unit Leaders Each unit has well qualified unit leaders who were carefully selected to give participants the best possible experience at the 2021 National Jamboree. The unit leaders may not know the answer to every question, but they are eager to provide the most up-to-date and accurate information available.



Helpful and Friendly: Two members of our jamboree team are specifically dedicated to help you get all your administrative details under control. They are dedicated to problem solving & resolving issues.

Nicki Powell is our Administrative Coordinator. She has volunteered to help participants keep their payments and paperwork on-time and accurate.

Michelle Byrne works on staff for the Dan Beard Council and she has responsibility for maintaining our contingent's connection with the national staff of the 2021 National Jamboree.

Cost & Payments

Financial affordability, being thrifty, was an important value we shared as we planned our contingent's experience for the 2021 National Jamboree. We believe the magic of this experience is the jamboree, itself. As a result, we have minimized the cost of preparation, transportation and gear. Despite the increase in the cost of the jamboree, ***we are pleased to announce that the Dan Beard Council has one of the least expensive fees among all 72 councils across the Central Region.***

Cost for Dan Beard Council Participants: \$1,550

Fee includes:

- All preparation events
- All transportation to and from the Jamboree site
- Use of Tent, Cot & Unit Gear
- Food
- Spirit Wear & Memorabilia
 - 2021 Jamboree Dan Beard Council Duffel Bag
 - 2021 Jamboree Dan Beard Council Contingent T-Shirts
 - Special edition 2021 Dan Beard Council Jamboree Contingent Day Pack with Hydration Bladder
 - 2 – 2021 Jamboree Participant Patches
 - 2 – Council Strip Patches specially designed for the 2021 National Jamboree
 - Unit Number Patches (for your Jamboree unit)
 - 2021 National Jamboree Name Tag
 - Discount on pre-ordered Contingent Gear and Memorabilia

Payment Schedule

Due to the unique and extreme circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, Dan Beard Council has lifted the \$150 deposit requirement for all Scouts interested in joining the contingent. Should you have any outstanding payment questions, please contact Nicki Powell.

Refund Policy A refund will be made only if (a) Dan Beard Council is notified in writing that you are withdrawing from the Jamboree and a refund is requested, (b) you identify a replacement scout, (c) who is accepted by Dan Beard Council, and (d) who has made the

required payments according to the payment schedule. The replacement scout may not have previously applied with Dan Beard Council to attend the 2021 National Jamboree. If there is a waiting list, Dan Beard Council will select your replacement from the waiting list in accordance with its waitlist procedure. **Your deposit will not be refunded.** Qualified refunds will be made to the original payer. Refund timing: Requested refunds will be reviewed and processed according to the policy Quarterly (e.g. January, April, July and October). In the event that the National Jamboree is cancelled due to health-related incidents, 100% of your payments made will be refunded.

Key Dates & Planning Calendar

Please mark your calendar for the following events and key dates leading up to the 2021 National Jamboree:

2020

July 1 **1st Payment of \$250 Due**

September 1 **2nd Payment of \$250 Due**

October 1 **3rd Payment of \$250 Due**

November 1 **4th Payment of \$250 Due**

December 1 **5th Payment of \$250 Due**

2021

TBD **Jamboree Contingent Kick-Off Meeting | Camp Friedlander**

February 1 **Final Payments Due**

April 10 & 11 **Jamboree Contingent Overnight | Camp Friedlander**

May 23 **Jamboree Contingent Meeting | Camp Friedlander Dining Hall**

July 21 **Depart for the Jamboree. | Time & Location TBD**

July 30 **Return from the Jamboree | Time & Location TBD**



Program at the Jamboree



The 2021 National Jamboree at the Summit will be filled with programs that will excite Scouts from all across the country. The jamboree program will be delivered at the adventure activity areas on site, the Summit Center, the New River Gorge National River Area, and the summit of The Summit – Mount Jack.

Adventure Areas The adventure areas will offer 15 to 30 minute activity experiences to get the Scouts' and Venturers' blood pumping. Most activities will be available on a first come, first served basis and will be designed for maximum throughput. Certain activities that have very limited throughput capacity will be scheduled by a "lottery" system.

Adventure Valley will be home to The Rocks (rock climbing), Low Gear (cross-country mountain biking), The Ropes (challenge courses), The Zip, and lake kayaking.

The Canopy is home to the Summit's canopy tours. Soar through the trees on a series of zip lines 50 to 80 feet in the air.

Thrasher Mountain will be home to The Park and The Trax. The Park houses the Summit's first-rate skateboarding facilities. At The Trax participants will find the Summit's thrilling BMX course.

The Bows and Barrels shooting sports at the 2021 Jamboree will offer the widest variety of shooting sports activities ever. Shotguns, rifles, pistols, 3-D archery, and sporting arrows.

Aquatics activities will be located at the Summit's man-made lakes, as well as The Pools. Goodrich Lake will be home to fishing, basic kayaking, paddleboarding, and an expanded Water Reality obstacle course. Tri Dave Lake will be home to advanced kayaking. The Pools will be home to scuba diving and free swim.

The Summit Center The Summit Center will be the hub of jamboree activity set between the villages and the activity areas, and the only area open to day visitors. **On specific days, visitors may pay a fee and visit the Summit Center to experience all it has to offer.** The Center will be open to regular jamboree participants, but day visitors may not visit the base camps or activity areas. The Summit Center will be home to the stadium shows, the military exhibits, conservation trail, Disabilities Awareness Area, Sustainability Treehouse, merit badges, and a wide variety of other exhibits and displays.

The Conservation Trail is located in Summit Center (near Boulder Cove along Goodrich Lake) and features activities and exhibits from conservation agencies and organizations. The Conservation Trail provides hands-on education about the natural world and how we interact with it.

Also located in the Summit Center is **Action Point**, which has smaller preview versions of activities taking place in the activity areas.

Jamboree Trek For one day of the jamboree, each unit will hike to Garden Ground Mountain, the summit of the Summit. Upon reaching the top, hikers will take part in pioneering, buckskin games, Highland Games, and Native American and other historical activities.

Aquatics Program and Swim Classifications In order for Scouts and Venturers to participate in the unique aquatics activities at the Summit, including the off-site River Rafting adventure, they will need to be classified for swimming prior to arrival at the jamboree. These classifications are nonswimmer, beginner, and swimmer. Jamboree Scoutmasters are responsible for swim classification checks and issuing buddy tags to their Scouts or Venturers during the scheduled jamboree troop campout or pre-jamboree training. Each tag will be marked with the participant's name and swim classification. Correct certification by Scoutmasters is a serious trust, since the life of a boy or girl could depend on it. A single buddy tag will be issued to the participant for the supervised aquatics activities at the jamboree and must be presented by the Scout or Venturer when he or she arrives at the specific adventure areas. Participants without a tag will be treated as nonswimmers.

Religious Observances

Chaplains representing many faiths will be at the jamboree to conduct services and provide personal counseling. Participants and staff also are encouraged to visit the religious relationships tents in the Summit Center.

Religious observances and chaplain services for Scouts, leaders, and staff of all faiths will be coordinated by a chaplain for each faith. There will be a daily devotional guide available for individual use. The schedule for religious services will be published as soon as it is available.

Visitors

The jamboree will be open to visitors on certain days. As soon as the schedule and fees are available, they will be published on www.bsajamboree.org. areas, and the only area open for day visitors. On specific days, visitors may pay a fee and visit the Summit Center to experience all it has to offer. The Center will be open to regular Jamboree participants, but day visitors may not visit the base camps or activity areas. Visitors, however, will have an opportunity to Face the Challenge in their own way that connects their visitor experience to that of every Jamboree participant, whether visiting for one day or more.



Base Camp, Subcamp & Unit Operations

Following is a basic overview of how the 2021 National Jamboree will be organized and supported:



- There will be four participant base camps each operated by a specific region.
- The subcamps will be divided into five neighborhoods per subcamp (10 Scouting units per neighborhood).
- Two youth participants will be rooming together in one tent. Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age per the BSA Barrier to Abuse.
- Youth participants 18-20 years of age are considered adults and will not be housed with anyone under 18.
- Adult leaders will have individual tents based on 4 leaders per unit. For units with additional leaders, double occupancy will be required.
- Both the youth participant and leader tents will be dome-style tents with cots provided.
- All individual Scouting units will be preparing their meals in their assigned living area.
- There will be one headquarters area within each subcamp for assistance.
- There will be accessible medical facilities near each base camp.

Transportation

All participants (youth and adult) are required to travel to and from the jamboree with the Dan Beard Council contingent. The logistics of the jamboree site are incredibly well designed. In fact, the jamboree site becomes one of the largest populated “cities” in the state of West Virginia in 24 hours as 40,000 people enter the high adventure base and set up camp. The committee is currently working on the logistics of transportation and ***exact times will be announced at the Contingent Meeting on May 23, 2021.***

Gear & Equipment

All personal gear will be carried by the participant from the bus stop to the campsite. This could be a distance up to 1 mile. Please pack accordingly. Gear will be limited to what can be packed in the contingent duffel bag. Following is a preliminary list of items each participant should bring:

Personal Gear

- Sleeping bag (lightweight in stuff sack with 30-degree rating is good)
- Eating kit (plate, bowl, and spork are adequate)
- Reusable lunch bag (Disposable plastic bags will not be provided.)
- **Two** 1-liter water bottles
- Toiletry kit (keep it small)
- **Two** bath towels
- **Two** hand towels
- **Two** washcloths
- Flashlight
- Sunscreen
- Non-aerosol insect repellent
- **Females:** feminine hygiene products

Clothing

- One or two complete field uniforms (See note below)
- Long old work pants (required for Messengers of Peace Day of Service)
- Good, broken-in hiking boots
- Lace-up shoes (lightweight sports)
- Rain gear (simple, lightweight)
- Scout headgear
- One jacket or sweatshirt (synthetic is good)
- Two sets of sleep clothes
- Seven pairs of underwear
- 4 or 5 Scout/jamboree T-shirts/polo/ activity shirts (antimicrobial synthetic is ideal)
- 5 or 6 pairs of hiking socks; 3 pairs of other socks

Note: Arrival day, stadium show, Sunday religious observances, and departure day are uniform days; other times may be determined by your unit leader. Other days are Scout/ jamboree T-shirts or activity shirts with uniform shorts/longs.

Optional

- Air or travel pillow
- Swimsuit
- Water shoes
- Sunglasses
- Solar camp shower (three-gallon)

Sustainability The Summit has a network of tanks, pipes, and filters that serves as our greywater system. As a result of the greywater system and the ambient-temperature showers, the amount of water required per person has been reduced by nearly two-thirds. And by reusing our water, the size of the wastewater system has been reduced by half. It is encouraging that Scouts and Scouters are finding inexpensive, renewable ways to heat the water for showers. We just ask that you remain respectful of the overall water-consumption goals on-site. If you are considering a solar camp shower, please limit yourself to three gallons or less in size. Your water-resourcefulness will go a long way in making sure the Summit's systems are not overstressed.

Cooking and Eating

Food issued to participants will be of top quality and there will be lots of it! All units will be cooking as a troop/crew for breakfast and dinner, not as individual patrols. Trail lunch supplies will be distributed with breakfast for participants to pack lunch and carry it with them as they leave their camping area for the day.

Proper training in food preparation techniques prior to the jamboree will help ensure an enjoyable experience for all unit members.

It is the responsibility of the assistant Scoutmaster or adviser in charge of physical arrangements to give oversight to the preparation and serving of meals within the unit.

Duties will include:

- Ensuring safe practices are followed in the handling and preparation of food



- Working through and with the youth leadership to train and oversee the tasks of picking up food and food supplies, food preparation, serving, and cleanup
- Consulting with youth cooks regularly on the most effective ways to prepare daily food selections
- Meeting with the youth cooks and giving briefings on food preparation and safety precautions
- Overseeing cleanup operations after each meal

Grocery Store Items and Menu Cookbook The menus will be posted by November 2020 on the Jamboree Food Team website at <https://www.jamboreefoodteam.org/2021-troop-food-information>.

Cooking Equipment The unit equipment package furnished by the jamboree will include propane stoves with the fittings necessary to use the provided tanks and fuel for all meal preparation. Under no circumstances should participants bring cooking appliances, fuel tanks, or fuel.

Special Diets The Jamboree Food Team will aid Scouts, leaders, and staff who have special dietary requirements in the following ways:

Youth and leaders attending the jamboree will be issued meals supplies from a pre-published menu.

During online registration, each youth, leader, and staff member will be asked specifically to indicate a need for Kosher or Halal diet. The Jamboree Food Team will then use this information to pre-package individual meal kits for Kosher or Halal diets.

The Jamboree Food Team recognizes that there are many potential dietary restrictions as well as common diets (e.g., low-calorie and low carbohydrate) and common food allergies (e.g., to gluten, citrus fruit, dairy, eggs, fish, nuts/peanuts, and shellfish). Individuals will need to consider this and avoid such items in the campsite or their buffet choices in the staff dining halls.

In addition, remember that the Food Team cannot feasibly plan for all specific dietary needs of all persons attending the jamboree. Therefore, anyone with special food requirements for medical reasons (after medical permission to attend jamboree is granted), or personal dietary beliefs, must make their own arrangements to meet those needs by bringing nonperishable food with them—just as they would bring their own medications.

Medical Requirements

Weather conditions at the jamboree can range from being hot and humid during the day to mild temperatures in the evenings. Rain is more common at the Summit due to its location in the Appalachian Mountains. Jamboree activities are very strenuous. It is crucial that everyone arrive fit and prepared, and drink plenty of water while at the jamboree.

Physical Examination All participants must submit certification of physical fitness on the official BSA Annual Health and Medical Record. Maintenance of good health in a jamboree camp is of utmost importance, and it is with this objective in mind that the following must be enforced:

- Participants will be expected to get a complete examination by a licensed health-care practitioner.
- **A complete and current *BSA Annual Health and Medical Record* (Parts A, B, & C) must be hand signed by the physician and parent. This medical form, with copy of a health care insurance card (if applicable) should be provided to your unit leader and uploaded to the BSA national site ASAP.** It is required that the examination take place not fewer than 30 days or more than 12 months before departure to the Jamboree.
- Participants will go through a medical screening prior to arrival. It is imperative that all medical forms are submitted by the published deadlines so that prior approval for participation occurs before you leave for the jamboree. In the event a participant is found medically unfit upon arrival at the Summit, he or she must return home at his or her own expense.

Immunizations When attending Boy Scouts of America programs or activities that requires an *Annual Health and Medical Record* or specialty physical exam to be completed, it is required to have a current tetanus immunization. The following immunizations are strongly recommended:

- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Diphtheria, pertussis
- Meningococcal
- Polio
- Measles, mumps, and rubella
- Varicella
- Influenza

Exceptions to Immunization on Medical or Religious Grounds If there is a medical or religious reason why you cannot comply with vaccination requirements, obtain a statement to that effect from a physician if it is an exemption on medical grounds. If you aren't immunized due to religious reasons, you must also provide a statement to that effect that includes specific reasons, so it can be given full consideration by the jamboree medical staff. These statements need to be submitted with the medical form. The immunization exemption request form can be found at <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/680-451.pdf>.

Physical Fitness—Be Prepared!

FACE THE CHALLENGE WITH PHYSICAL FITNESS

Participation in the National Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve is a physically demanding experience. The layout, grade and elevation of the site requires substantial walking as part of everyone's daily schedule. A number of activities require more stamina and fitness too—think climbing, rappelling, rafting, mountain biking, and skateboarding. It is essential that all participants and staff are prepared for the physical demands of the Summit prior to arrival. Facing the Challenge at the '21 Jamboree will require one to be physically fit!



Obesity and being overweight have been shown to increase the likelihood of certain diseases and other health problems: hypertension, heart attack, dyslipidemia, and stroke. Anyone who is obese and has multiple risk factors for heart and lung disease would be at much greater risk of an acute health event imposed on them by the environmental stresses of the Summit. Our goal is to prevent any serious health-related event from occurring and ensuring that all our participants and staff are “physically strong.”

There are multiple “co-morbidities” which should be taken into account as decisions are made about an individual’s inclusion in the jamboree. Individuals with a history of any of the conditions listed below should consult their healthcare provider to see whether participating in the Jamboree could exacerbate their condition. These applicants may also be requested to provide further documentation, including cardiac testing, pulmonary testing, or further information from their physician to ensure the applicant’s ability to participate.

- Obesity
- Tobacco Use
- High Blood Pressure
- Diabetes mellitus
- Dyslipidemia
- Prior heart attack
- Coronary angioplasty/stent
- Coronary artery surgery
- Family history of premature (before age 55) heart disease
- COPD
- Sleep apnea requiring CPAP or BiPAP
- Prior stroke or transient ischemic attack (TIA)

Accordingly, it is the policy of the 2021 National Jamboree that all individuals:

- 1. Provide their healthcare provider with the *Summit High-Adventure Risk Advisory to Health-Care Providers and Parents*.**
- 2. Submit a completed BSA AHMR signed by their healthcare provider.**

Medications Leaders need to treat youth medications as they would on any unit campout or when attending summer camp. Medications are to be secured and dispensed by the unit’s leaders throughout the jamboree, as well as while traveling to and from the Summit. It is required that the unit bring a small lock box to store these medications.

Medications needing refrigeration while at the jamboree can be stored at the medical service location nearest your assigned camping location. While you are traveling to and from the jamboree, you will need to keep these medicines at their required temperatures by using a small cooler, etc., if needed.

Staff

Please spread the word to adult leaders you admire in Scouting – the jamboree needs as many volunteer staff members as possible. This is a great way for adults, both new and experienced, to enjoy the fun of the jamboree. Jamboree Service Team members will have the opportunity to serve in numerous assignments at the Jamboree. Jamboree Service Team members will be needed in many of the jamboree groups and services listed on the service team application. The list of positions is published on our website: <https://jamboree.scouting.org/resource-library/>.



Revision History

<u>Revision</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Notes</u>
1.0	2/19/2020	First edition
2.0	5/7/2020	Updates to refund and payment schedule