

# CAMP TESOMAS 2026



**LEADER GUIDEBOOK**

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## CHANGES AND FACTS

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### Camp Fees

- Youth - \$450
- Adult - \$252
- Adult Daily Rate - \$42

### What's New for 2026

- Every participant must complete their health form online (through HealthForms IO).
- Updated Micro-Trek programs, see page 15
- Revised Advancement schedule; all blocks are 1.5 hours long. Download a copy of the schedule from our website (Tesomas.Camp).

### Are you New to Tesomas

- Bring your own tents; tents are not provided.
- Enthusiasm in the Dining Hall is encouraged—join in the fun!
- Swimming takes place in spring-fed Crystal Lake (no pool).
- Units are encouraged to help with camp-wide duties, including flag ceremonies, waterfront swim towers, shower house cleaning, and maintaining a clean campsite.
- All adults must be registered Scouting members and Safeguarding Youth trained.
- Advancement instruction begins at the scheduled times and ends 10 minutes before the listed end time. Unless noted, merit badges meet Monday–Thursday.
- Those unfamiliar with or interested in the OA program should review the OA section on page 16.
- Cell phone coverage is generally good for Verizon and AT&T users.

# PREPARATION TIMELINE

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## Right Now

- Submit your unit reservation to secure space and inform all Scout families about the dates for summer camp.
- Recruit at least two adult Leaders (both 21 years of age or older) to be in camp at all times during your stay. Recruit more if you will have 20 or more Scouts.

## March & April

- Complete camp scholarship requests by April 15 ([samoset.org/aid](http://samoset.org/aid)).
- Work with each Scout in planning an activity schedule and getting them started with any pre-camp work. Activity signup opens March 15.
- Non-Samoset Council Units must submit a copy of their Sickness and Accident insurance policy by email to [camp@samoset.org](mailto:camp@samoset.org).
- Camper deposits are due by April 15. When registering campers, you will be required to pay the deposit. All remaining fees are due June 1; please use the online portal to submit payments.
- Pre-order t-shirts to ensure that everyone will have one to wear at camp. Shirts orders are due by May 15. Shirts can be customized with your unit number or other text (see page 5).
- If desired, complete a pre-camp swim test.

## May

- Send out final camp notices to all parents including a list of what to bring (see page 5).
- Have committee members visit parents of Scouts not registered to encourage their attendance with your unit, with another unit, or with the provisional unit (August 2-8, 2026).
- For Samoset Troops, send in your Adult OA Nomination by May 1.
- Ensure that all Scouts and Leaders have submitted their medical form online.
- Complete special dietary requests for all Scouts requiring special meals.
- Add any additional campers to your registration and submit your final payment (due June 1).

## Two Weeks Before Camp

- Ensure that all Scouts and Leaders have submitted their medical form online.
- Check up on each Scout's pre-camp advancement work.
- Make final advancement class changes online.
- Hold an inspection of personal packs and equipment. Also, prepare unit equipment for camp.
- Remind the Scouts of the behavior standards necessary for a Scouting event.
- Prepare multiple copies of your unit roster for camp and other leaders.
- Plan to arrive between 2:00 and 3:00 PM.



### Pre-Camp Swim Tests

Units have the option to complete a swim test prior to their arrival. Each unit schedules and completes the swim tests prior to camp on their own. A currently certified lifeguard must administer the tests and certify the results. Forms and procedures for unit run swim tests are available online.

## PREPARATION SUGGESTIONS

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### Leadership

- The safety of our youth is of greatest importance at camp. Therefore, all adults attending camp must be registered member of Scouting America, including completion of a criminal background check and Safeguarding Youth training. These steps should be completed with your local council.
- Have one additional leader, 21 or older (male or female) for every 10 Scouts.
- If your unit has any female youth, you must have at least one female adult (21 or older).
- All adults must follow the Scouter Code of Conduct.

### Arrival

- Complete an approved swim check before coming to camp (see page 3). Those individuals who plan to participate in waterfront activities will complete a swim test on Sunday (if not completed prior to camp).
- Have all the heavy gear in one vehicle so that it can be taken to your campsite all at once.
- Have a copy of all medical forms in alphabetical order for camp to keep.

### Advancement

- First year Scouts should enroll in Eagle Quest program and one/two merit badges.
- Second year Scouts who aren't First Class should sign up for Eagle Quest and merit badges.
- OA ordeal candidates will miss Thursday sessions; staff will help them make up work on Friday.
- All Scouts should have a copy of their advancement schedule.
- Help Scouts choose activities that match their interests and abilities.
- Schedule merit badges/activities carefully to allow travel time in between (i.e. avoid scheduling a shooting sports merit badge right before or after a COPE/climbing activity).
- Ensure Scouts complete all prerequisites and review merit badge pamphlets before camp.

## ONLINE RESOURCES

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- Camp Map
- Advancement Schedule
- Camp Scholarship Request
- Eagle Quest Schedule
- Registration How To Guide
- Precamp Swim Test



### **Tesomas.Camp**

Visit [Tesomas.Camp](https://Tesomas.Camp) for all your online resources.

## WHAT TO BRING

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### Camper Packing List

Sneakers/Hiking Shoes	Rain Gear	Insect Repellent (non aerosol)
T-Shirts	Towel	Flashlight
Underwear & Socks	Personal Hygiene items	Spending Money
Jeans/Pants	Small Pillow	Fishing Gear
Shorts	Extra Blanket	Camera
Long-Sleeve Shirts	Backpack	Battery Power Pack
Pajamas	Watch	Sleeping Bag
Sweatshirt or Jacket	First Aid Kit	Foam Pad or Cot
Official Scout Uniform	Pocket Knife	Notebook and Pencils/Pens
Scout Handbook	Hat & Sunglasses	Mess kit
Swimsuit	Sunscreen	Tent (unless unit supplied)

### Materials Provided in Your Campsite

Dining Tarp or Shelter	Running Water	Cleaning Supplies, Garbage
Picnic Tables	Latrine	Bags, and Toilet Paper
Flagpole	Fire Ring	

### What Your Unit Should Bring

Lantern	Patrol Dining Tarps	First Aid Kit
US Flag	Wood Tools	Tents

## CUSTOM T-SHIRTS

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Pre-order custom t-shirts for everyone in your unit to wear at camp. Shirts cost \$20 (additional charges for larger sizes) and can be customized with your unit number. Shirts are a 50/50 Poly-Cotton blend. T-shirt orders will be waiting for you at the camp Trading Post upon arrival.

Imagine your entire Troop wearing a camp t-shirt. Now imagine the t-shirt customized with a Troop number! Think of the benefits:

- Helps the Scouts look sharp
- Builds group spirit
- Is a quality garment that takes a beating

**Orders Due May 15, 2026**



# REGISTRATION & FEES

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## Unit Reservation (Campsite) Deposit

- A non-refundable \$200 unit deposit is required with your campsite reservation. This deposit holds your space and is applied toward camper fees.
- If your unit fills less than 50% of the site, the Council may assign other units to use unused areas.

## Scout/Leader Deposits

- The first \$100 for each camper is his/her deposit and is nonrefundable, but transferable to another camper in the same unit as a new registration. This fee is paid upon registering a Scout or Leader to attend camp.
- Remaining fees are due June 1.
- Campers registered after April 15 may be subject to a \$25 late fee (excluding new Scouts).

## How to Register & Pay

- Please register all Scouts and Adults online through the MyCouncil portal. If you need help accessing this portal, please contact our Camp Office at 715-365-3111.
- Please note there is no fee for processing an electronic check but there is a 3% fee for using a credit card.

## Camp Scholarships

- Camp scholarships are available for those in need. Please use the campership request form on our website to request help ([Samoset.org/aid](http://Samoset.org/aid)).
- Campership application (per person) are due by April 15.

## Attending Tesomas with another Unit

- If a Scout is unable to attend with your unit, don't let them miss the summer camp experience. Register them with our provisional unit period 8 or with another unit any week (ask us for details).
- Scouts/leaders who want to experience a second week of summer camp may also register with our provisional unit or make arrangements to come to camp with another unit.

## Refunds

- Camp fees are generally non-refundable, but units can transfer fees to another Scout in the same unit. Refunds (after the \$100 non-refundable deposit) are considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Submit requests using the online form. Approved refunds go to the unit's camp bill, and the unit handles reimbursing the Scout.

# POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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## Medical Policies

- Every participant must complete their health form online (through HealthForms IO). Parts A, B, and C are required for all Scouts and Adults attending Tesomas.
- Units can keep medication in a locked container at their site and distribute to their scouts. Units choosing to do so will be provided with a medication log sheet to fill out and turn in at the end of the week. Units are welcome to turn their medications into the health office for us to distribute.
- Bee sting medication, inhalers, an insulin syringe, or other medication or device used in the event of life-threatening situations may be carried by a camper.

## Insurance

- When surgical treatment or hospital care is needed for Samoset Council Scouts/Scouters, benefits in excess of \$300.00 will be paid only if they are unrecoverable from any other insurance policy or service contract (i.e. family insurance policy). Therefore, it is imperative that you come prepared with the pertinent insurance policy information for every Scout/Adult.
- Non-Samoset Council Units must provide insurance information or proof of Council insurance.

## Inherent Dangers

Campers should be prepared for conditions beyond the camp's control. Natural hazards such as rocks, roots, and branches require caution. To prevent animal visits, do not keep food, drinks, or scented items in or near tents. To avoid loss or theft, leave valuables at home or store them securely in vehicles.

## Safeguarding Youth Policies

The safety of our youth is our top priority. Any form of child abuse is unacceptable. Scouting America is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all and works every day to protect youth through required safety policies.

- One-on-one contact between adults and youth is prohibited.
- Youth privacy must be respected, especially in changing and shower areas.
- Cameras, drones, or recording devices are prohibited where privacy is expected.
- Separate tenting is required for male and female adults and youth. Youth sharing tents must be within two years of age. Spouses may share tents.
- The buddy system must be used at all times. Buddies should choose each other, be comfortable together, and be within two years of age with similar maturity.
- Hazing and initiations are prohibited.
- Bullying of any kind—verbal, physical, or cyber—is prohibited.
- All sexual activity and public displays of affection are prohibited.
- Appropriate attire is required for all activities.



### Scouts First Reporting

As part of its “Scouts First” approach to the protection and safety of youth, Scouting America has established a 24-hour helpline to receive reports of known or suspected abuse or behavior that might put a youth at risk. **1-844-SCOUTS1 (1-844-726-8871)**

## Dining Hall Procedures

- Units are assigned table(s) during check-in.
- Meals consist of the main entrées, sides, cereal at breakfast, fruit or vegetables, peanut butter (or substitute) and jelly, and a salad bar at dinner.
- All meals will be served cafeteria style and seconds will be available when announced.
- Grace will be said prior to each meal. As a sign of respect, we ask that you enter the Dining Hall quietly and with arms folded.
- Everyone is asked to wear the official Scout field uniform to all evening meals.
- The youth restrooms are located in the basement of the Dining Hall and the adult restrooms are located in the lower level of the Program Center.
- Guest meal tickets may be purchased in the Camp Office.

**Please notify us of any special dietary needs or restrictions two weeks before your arrival using the “Special Diet Request” form available online.**

## Trading Post

- Here you will find all kinds of merchandise and collectibles. You will also be able to purchase additional toiletries, cooking supplies, and other camping necessities.
- You will be able to purchase candy, soda, slushies, and any other food items. The porch and picnic tables are there for you to enjoy your snacks. Please have your Scouts clean up after themselves!

## Program Center

- Staff is generally available to answer questions in this building from 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.
- The Program Center (PC) is open to all leaders 24 hours a day and serves as a leader’s lounge.
- Adult restrooms are located in the lower level; youth restrooms are located in the Dining Hall.
- Check out a vehicle pass if you need a vehicle past the parking lot gate later than Sunday.
- Campsite garbage bags, toilet paper, and cleaning supplies are available from the upper level closet.
- Lost & found is located in the downstairs. Valuable items will be kept at the desk upstairs.
- Wireless Internet is available for leader use. Personal computers may be used by Leaders, but we ask that personal equipment not be set up for extended periods of time.
- Visit the Archives Room in the lower level of the Tesomas PC for an interesting look at the great history and traditions of Tesomas, Tom Kita Chara Lodge, and the Crystal Lake Scout Reservation.

## Health Office

- Available 24 hours a day in the lower level of the Program Center.
- For medication disbursement, please schedule appointments with the Health Officer while at camp.
- If the Health Officer is not available, report to the upper level of the Program Center for assistance.

## Showers & Laundry

- Shower buildings are located on each side of camp. (Shower facilities in Hanna Venture Base are for staff use only).
- Campers need to bring all their own toiletries or purchase them at our Trading Post.

## Vehicles

- For the safety of the Scouts and Scouters, the speed limit on all camp roads is 5 mph.
- After dinner on Sunday one vehicle is allowed in your campsite. All other vehicles must be in the parking lot until Saturday. Parking is not permitted along any camp road.
- A daily "Vehicle Pass" must be obtained from the Program Center if a vehicle is needed past the parking lot after Sunday. Bicycles at Tesomas

## Bicycles at Tesomas

- Bikes must stay on camp roads, not trails. All riders will maintain safe speeds, yield to pedestrians, wear a buckled helmet while riding, and obey any signs.
- No bikes are allowed in main camp, program areas, or in campsites. When not in use, bikes near main camp will be stored in designated bike corrals. When not in use, bikes near the unit campsite will be stored off the road.
- Absolutely no riding after dusk without a light.
- All riders will need to read and sign an agreement form available at the Program Center. Any rule infractions will result in the individual losing their privilege to ride on camp property.

## Mail

You are encouraged to mail things several days early to ensure we receive it before checkout day.

*(Camper's Name), (Unit #)*  
*Tesomas Scout Camp*  
*5403 Camp Tesomas Drive*  
*Rhineland, WI 54501*

## Leaving Camp Early

- Any Scouts leaving camp during their stay must have a release signed by their parent or guardian and approved by the Scout Leader.
- We recommend having this form (available online) completed before a Scout attends camp.
- When checking out, a member of the camp leadership must give the final approval signature.

## Smoking

- Smoking is only allowed away from Scouts and other Leaders in the maintenance yard.
- This includes the use of electronic cigarettes, personal vaporizers, or electronic nicotine delivery systems that simulate tobacco smoking.

## Privacy

By participating in Samoset Council activities, you agree to allow Samoset Council to use your image in camp and council promotional materials.

## Pets

- No animals are allowed on camp properties except for guide dogs for the visually impaired or animals which are for a program/demonstration with the approval of the Reservation Director.
- Pets will be allowed in designated Family Camp areas but must be leashed at all times and the owner is responsible to clean up after the animal.

## Visitors

- All visitors must check in and out at the camp office.
- Visitors are not allowed between the hours of 9:00 PM and 7:30 AM.
- Visitors are encouraged Wednesday evening. Activities begin at 4:00 PM with a picnic style meal served at 6:00 PM (meal tickets can be purchased upon arrival). The highlight of the evening, the Order of the Arrow Calling Out Ceremony, begins at 8:00 PM.
- Visitors should not bring pets.
- Persons with disabilities should notify Tesomas prior to their arrival if accommodation is needed.

## Emergencies

- In the event of a camp-wide emergency, the camp siren may sound. At which time, all campers should report immediately to their emergency area and await further instruction from the camp staff. The camp staff undergoes training in handling common types of emergencies.
- A camp-wide emergency situation will consist of any severe weather, wildfire, lost or missing campers, lost or missing swimmers, and any possible severe medical emergency. Anyone who becomes aware of an emergency situation or danger should notify the nearest staff member who will contact the appropriate camp leadership.
- Any information in regards to a bomb threat or unauthorized visitor should be reported to the Program Center immediately.

## Damaged Camp Equipment

- Any damage to camp-owned equipment through abuse will be the responsibility of the unit
- Replacement costs will be assessed to the unit based on the retail costs of the damaged item. Units will be responsible for paying for damaged equipment before leaving camp.

## Shoes

- Footwear is required everywhere in camp, except at the Waterfront.
- Closed toed shoes are required for Climbing and Shooting Sports.

## Fires & Firewood

- Units are prohibited from bringing firewood into camp because it can harbor many different kinds of invasive pests and diseases harmful to our trees. Pests like gypsy moths and diseases like oak wilt are easily spread through infested firewood. Wisconsin is now faced with the very real threat of becoming the next state to discover the emerald ash borer within its borders.
- Units can gather downed wood or purchase firewood from camp.
- Fireguard charts are furnished for each campsite and must be filled out upon check-in.

## Tents

- All units must provide their own tents.
- If you do not have a “No flames in tent” sign stenciled on your tents, you must display a “No flames in tent” sign in the campsite. We have a sign posted on each bulletin board.
- Separate tenting arrangements must be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age.

# ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

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With many Scouts and Leaders arriving and checking in at the same time, we need your help. We want to make this the easiest, fastest, and most efficient check in process you've ever experienced. Staff will be available in the parking lot and at various check-in points to assist wherever needed.

## Check-In Process

1. Arrive between 2:00 and 3:00 PM on Sunday with your entire unit. A member of the staff will greet you in the parking lot. Units that would like to arrive on Saturday, may do so by contacting us in advance.
2. Move to main camp for medical rechecks and Dining Hall orientation. Be prepared to present a copy of everyone's medical form for camp to keep in alphabetical order at the medical recheck station.
3. Move into your campsite with your gear. Only one vehicle per unit will be allowed to go to your campsite at a time. Unit trailers are allowed and can be parked within the confines of your site.
4. Between 3:00 and 5:00 units may complete a swim test at the waterfront. This is required for anyone to enter the Waterfront area during your stay. Each camper will receive a "buddy tag" which must be used to enter the Waterfront. (You can come to camp wearing your swimsuit to save time and complete this before going to your campsite.)
5. Flag lowering will be at 5:50. After dinner a staff member will lead you on a tour of camp. This is a great opportunity for new Scouts to become familiar with the layout of camp and returning Scouts to be introduced to changes from previous years.

## Check-Out Process

1. Sweep the floors and wipe down walls in the campsite latrine. Scrub and clean urinal, toilet seats, and washbasin. Be sure to wear gloves and wash hands afterward.
2. Wash and rinse picnic tables.
3. Return shovel, rake, broom, and other campsite supplies to the latrine.
4. Leave a complimentary woodpile for the next unit.
5. Pick up all trash in and around your campsite. Sort your trash and leave it tied by the road. Rinse out the waste receptacles.
6. Return any equipment borrowed from camp to the appropriate location.
7. Settle your unit's balance, pick up patches, medication, and troop photos at the Program Center.
8. Signup for Tesomas Summer Camp 2027.

**Any Scout leaving prior to Saturday morning must have a completed Scout release form on file (requires a parent's signature). This form is available online or at the camp office.**



### Arriving Early

Please indicate if you are arriving early under the **Attributes** tab within the registration system. If you need help finding this call us at 715-365-3111.

# WHILE AT TESOMAS

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## Daily Program Schedule

6:30.....	Reveille
7:35.....	Camp Flag Raising Ceremony
7:45.....	Breakfast
8:30.....	SPL Meeting at the flag pole
9:00-11:50....	Advancement Instruction
9:30-10:00....	Leaders Meeting
12:15.....	Lunch
1:15.....	Chapel (details released at camp)
2:00-3:20.....	Advancement Instruction
3:30-5:00.....	Open Area Time
5:50.....	Camp Flag Retreat Ceremony
6:00.....	Dinner
7:00-Dark.....	Evening Program
10:30.....	Quiet Time

## Afternoon Activities

- Free time from 3:30-5:00 is great for activities like open shooting, boating, climbing, field sports, and swimming.
- Program areas will also have organized and themed events/competitions. The program supplement will list these various activities and will be given to you when you arrive at camp.
- Hiking trail maps are available in main camp.

## Friday Activities

Friday is set aside for any final advancement work and fun. Camp will be opened for exploration and program areas will be hosting various events. Here are some of the currently planned activities.

- ATV Riding - Limited space, see page 15 for details.
- Wisconsin River Tubing\* - Offered Friday at 9:00 AM and again at 1:30 PM. Participants must pre-register using our online registration system. Only 10 spots are available each session.
- Wisconsin River Kayaking\* - Offered Friday at 9:00 AM and again at 1:30 PM. Participants must pre-register using our online registration system. Only 10 spots are available each session.
- New this year, we will be offering a Troop Showcase during the afternoon, allowing you to show off what makes your troop special! Show off your favorite dutch oven meal, construct a pioneering structure, or brag about all the cool campouts you went to in the prior year!

\* These programs can also be facilitated where the unit provides transportation and adult leader supervision.

## Evening Programs

### Sunday

- **Adult Leader Meeting, 7:15, Program Center:** A first day orientation to prepare you for the rest of the week. Please send one adult leader from your unit and bring any advancement changes.
- **Camp-wide Tours, 7:15, Main Camp:** Meet at the Hobby Tables for a camp tour.
- **Opening Campfire, 8:00-9:00, Grand Council Ring:** Enjoy a staff run campfire program.
- **Cracker Barrel, 9:00-9:30, Dining Hall:** Eat some ice cream.

### Monday

- **Monster Mash, 7:45-9:00, Main Camp:** To celebrate their newfound freedom, the monsters are hosting a variety of activities open to all across main camp.
- **The Wicked Wager, 7:45-9:00, Main Camp:** With your patrol, help our mad scientists capture the monsters running loose in main camp.
- **Star Hike, 10:00, Meet at the Flagpole:** This is a mandatory hike for Astronomy merit badge, although all Scouts and Leaders can participate. Enjoy learning about the constellations, planets, and stars. May be rescheduled depending on weather conditions.

### Tuesday

- **Troop Program Time, 7:30-9:00:** Staff will join in campsites for this designated troop time. Need some ideas or games, see a staff member in the program center.
- **Brotherhood Training, 7:30-8:30, Grand Council Ring:** Open to all inducted members of the Order of the Arrow.

### Wednesday

- **Brotherhood Interviews, 3:30-5:00, Ed Lund Shelter:** For Tom Kita Chara Members Only.
- **Picnic/Visitor Night, 3:30-7:30, Main Camp:** Invite your friends and family to camp for a tour, activities, and a picnic-style meal at 6:00 PM. Meal tickets are available at the Trading Post.
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- **OA Call Out Ceremony, 8:00-9:00, Grand Council Ring:** Line up outside the Grand Council Ring by 7:30 for the Tom Kita Chara Call Out Ceremony.

### Thursday

- **OA Brotherhood Ceremony, 7:45-8:10, Ordeal Ceremony, 8:15-9:00, Arrow Bowl:** All Order of the Arrow members are encouraged to attend these ceremonies.
- **Thrills & Chills, 7:45-9:00, Hanna:** Head to Hanna for an action-packed evening! Scouts can compete in a game of Ultimate Frisbee at Personal Wellness, take a dip at the Hanna Waterfront, and ride the night zip line at COPE & Climbing among so much more in a night of scary good fun!

### Friday

- **Closing Campfire, 7:45-8:30, Grand Council Ring:** To finish off your last night with us, we will have some special entertainment and recognitions to share with you. Units will be asked (through their SPL) to perform skits or songs for the rest of camp to enjoy.

# EAGLE QUEST

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Eagle Quest helps Scouts complete Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class requirements. Scouts choose the requirements they need, with leader guidance often needed to help them stay on track. A copy of the schedule can be found on our website.

Eagle Quest runs all day, allowing Scouts the opportunity to advance an entire rank while at camp. Scouts who only need a few requirements may attend merit badges and use Eagle Quest open instruction to make up missed or complete new requirements. Open instruction is not a substitute for full Eagle Quest participation. Certain requirements—such as cooking, the 5-mile hike, and the 1-mile compass course—cannot be completed during open instruction, and most requirements require one day of instruction and another day for evaluation.

## Special Notes of Attention

- Register Scouts online as you would for a merit badge. If a Scout is working on multiple ranks, register them for each rank separately. Scouts completing cooking requirements must also register separately for cooking.
- Some activities require specific clothing. Swimsuits, towels, and shoes are needed for swimming requirements, and long pants are recommended for hikes.
- Some requirements meet at locations other than Eagle Quest. These locations are listed on the schedule, and Scouts should arrive on time and prepared.
- Second Class requirement 3d (finding direction at night) is scheduled for Tuesday at 10:00 PM at the Activity Field. If weather conditions prevent this, staff will reschedule and announce changes.

## Other Advancements

- Totin' Chip is offered Monday at 3:30 PM.
- Firem'n Chit is offered Tuesday at 3:30 PM.

## Cooking Requirements

- Cooking requirements take place outside the regular program schedule as listed below.  
Tenderfoot: Monday Lunch 12:00 – 1:45  
Second Class: Tuesday Lunch 11:30 – 1:45  
First Class: Tuesday Dinner 5:15 – 7:00; Thurs. Breakfast 7:00 – 8:45; Thurs. Lunch 12:00 – 1:45



## Eagle Quest Schedule

Available on our website, [Tesomas.camp](https://www.tesomas.com/camp).

## MICRO-TREK

Micro-Trek is perfect for those who have already done much of what Tesomas offers, but still want to experience camp and some high adventure. Units should register Scouts online. Each track has limited space. Registration opens March 15 on a first come, first serve basis.

- MT100 is an afternoon program, M-R. There is no fee or age requirement.
- MT200 is an afternoon program (M-R) for Scouts 13 years of age or older and First Class rank.
- MT300 is an all day program (M-R) for Scouts 14 years of age or older and First Class rank.
- There is an additional charge per person to participate in MT200 and MT300 (see amounts below). This amount is due at the time of registration in order to reserve a spot.

Program	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur
<b>MT100</b>	Target Sports	Aquatics	COPE & Climbing	TBD
<b>MT200</b> (\$75.00 per person)	COPE & Climbing	Disc Golf	Kayak Adventure	Trampoline Park & Mini Golf
<b>MT300</b> (\$150.00 per person)	Bond Falls Exploration	Zip-Line Canopy Tour	Northwoods Adventure	Trampoline Park & Mini Golf

## ATV PROGRAM

Our ATV program gives Scouts ages 14 and older the chance to ride in the beautiful Northwoods. Participants complete an instructional course covering safe ATV operation in a variety of riding conditions. After ground instruction and riding drills, Scouts take part in a guided trail ride and earn ASI ATV rider certification.

- Offered Friday at 9:00 AM and again at 1:30 PM. Participants must pre-register using our online registration system. Only 8 spots are available each session.
- A \$50 participation fee applies. Proper attire is required, including long pants (preferably jeans or other durable material), long sleeves, and boots.
- All participants must complete the free online safety e-course offered by the ATV Safety Institute ([cbt.svia.org](http://cbt.svia.org)) and upload proof of completion. This course must be completed before participating in the ATV program at camp.
- Participants must fill out the ATV Participation and Hold Harmless Agreement online prior to camp.



# ORDER OF THE ARROW

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The Order of the Arrow is Scouting's National Honor Society. Tom Kita Chara (TKC) Lodge provides service to Samoset Council, especially through its summer program, by offering opportunities for Scouts to experience fellowship, service, and personal growth.

## OA Summer Program

- An adult leader must verify Ordeal candidates with the OA Coordinator on Sunday at the Leaders Meeting. Even units not having anyone called-out must still touch base.
- Those Arrowmen under 21 years of age may participate in OA ceremonies with permission from the OA Coordinator, whose discretion determines final role assignments.
- Those interested in serving as Ordeal Masters on Thursday should see the OA Coordinator.
- TKC Arrowmen interested in becoming Brotherhood members are invited to complete their interviews on Thursday. \$20 will cover the cost of a Brotherhood sash.

## Non-Samoset Council Units

- Non-Samoset Council Ordeal candidates who wish to be called-out at Tesomas need to provide a verification letter. One letter per unit will suffice as long as it includes a unit number, names of candidates along with youth/adult designation, and the unit's period at camp. The letter must be signed by a member of the lodge key-3 or council Scout Executive. The letter should be submitted to Tesomas by June 1.
- Non-Samoset Council members cannot go through the Ordeal or earn Brotherhood at Tesomas.
- Non-Samoset Council Arrowmen are welcome to attend the OA ceremonies.



### Ordeal Packet

The ordeal packet will include an OA Handbook, TKC Lodge Totem and Flap Patch, OA Dues for 2026 and 2027, and 2026 Fall Conference. The fee of \$65 will be added to your troop bill for each ordeal member.

# LEADER PROGRAMS

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With everything in store for the “big kid” campers, there should be no reason why you shouldn’t have even more fun than the Scouts!

**Leader Meetings:** These daily meetings will consist of the camp leadership providing program details and other information to help your week run smooth. Only one leader is required to attend these meetings.

**Help Us Help You:** We understand that your own unit’s interests are the number one priority, but we welcome your assistance. Help is always appreciated within program areas, guarding on the Waterfront, and service projects.

**Tesomas Experience Merit Badge:** Our camp’s mission statement describes our purpose as to share the Tesomas Experience, but in reality without you coming to camp there wouldn’t be much to the Tesomas Experience. This program is designed to help you to participate in and share the Tesomas Experience with others.

**Projects:** We have a large group of volunteers who work on projects around camp throughout the summer and year. If you might be looking to help, please talk with Elvis. Some tasks are as simple as painting to general construction. Ask about joining our Camp Construction Crew.

## Training

- **Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (M-R, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Eagle Quest):** The course prepares leaders to teach the outdoor skills that Scouts need for Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class. This course is required for new Scoutmasters/ Assistant Scoutmasters to be considered “Trained” and recommended for Troop Committee members or Webelos leaders.
- **Paddle Craft Safety (M-R, 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM, Tesomas Waterfront):** This BSA training expands Safety Afloat, as well as the knowledge, needed for a unit leader to confidently supervise canoeing or kayaking excursions on flat water.
- **Swimming and Water Rescue (M-R, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Tesomas Waterfront):** Going beyond Safe Swim Defense, this training will provide leaders with information and skills to prevent, recognize, and respond to swimming emergencies during unit swimming activities.
- **Safe Swim Defense & Safety Afloat (W, 2:00 - 3:30 PM, Tesomas Waterfront):** Learn what it takes to safely operate aquatic programs within your troop.

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