

## Webinar Q&A February 17, 2016

1. Will cots be provided for everyone the Jamboree? **Yes, cots are provided for all participants and staff.**
2. Will tents and equipment be new, or the same for staff and participants as the 2013 Jamboree? **You can expect new tents for the 2017 National Jamboree.**
3. Will there be repair kits for the tents if they rip or tear or if zippers break? **Yes, there will be “Service” stations located in each Basecamp that will provide you with the necessary replacement parts for all of your Jamboree issued living equipment.**
4. Will adult leaders share tents or have individual tents? **Each adult leader will have their individual tent.**
5. Are lights provided for each tent at the Jamboree? What size batteries do the tent lights require? Do we need to provide batteries when they run out? **Yes, battery powered lanterns will be provided for each tent and an allotment of additional C / D sized batteries will be included with each allotted Troop / Crew Kit.**
6. Are there any special arrangements available for those who use a CPAP machine? **At this time there is not special arrangements. Anyone using a CPAP machine is should bring a battery pack to charge their machine. There will be charging stations available to charge the batteries as needed.**
7. Have the campsites been upgraded with concrete pads and pavilions? **No, not the campsite’s directly, but the grading and drainage has been greatly improved from 2013.**
8. Will duffle bags not be provided for the Jamboree, or is there something else being provided in place of the duffle bags? **The contents of the Jambo 17 Kit have not yet been determined.**
9. When will National Supply provide information on the Troop Numeral Patches? **This is still be TBD. Once available order forms will be placed on the website and councils will be notified.**
10. Will we receive one Jamboree patch per deposited Jamboree participant? **Every participant receives two patches with their Jamboree registration. The first patch will be sent to councils this summer and the second patch will be sent early 2017.**

11. When will the councils receive their Jamboree troop numbers? **This is expected mid-2016. All councils will receive an email once available.**
12. What is the deadline for modifying, increasing or decreasing, our troop/crew request? **We will do our best to accommodate any and all additions, based on availability at the time of request. Changes to commitments can be requested through November 2016. When and if additional troops and/or crews are added to a Council's contingent, an adjustment bill will be generated to bring the payment(s) up-to-date for the total commitment.**
13. Is there a guide to approve Camperships? **Please refer to the January webinar for specifics. Campership applications should be submitted no later than **September 1, 2016**. Only **YOUTH PARTICIPANTS** are eligible to apply for Campership consideration. Adult leaders and volunteer staff are not eligible for consideration. Changes to the Campership Application are not permitted once submitted. You will be notified via email by **October 1, 2016** if a campership has been awarded.**
14. Does online registration accept those 13 and younger? **Yes. If a participant has a current BSA membership AND will meet the requirements to attend, they can register at any time. Anyone without a current BSA membership MUST wait until they have a current BSA membership to register.**
15. Has the Staff Guide been published? **No. It is expected in March 2016.**
16. Do we have to schedule our day of service prior to Jamboree? **Join us for the April webinar where we will discuss the day of service and the process for doing one of the pre-Jamboree Projects. For the pre-Jamboree projects, our goal is to have at least 1 project in each county. A large factor in the placement of troops to pre-Jamboree projects will be where the troop is traveling from and placing them on a project convenient to the troops' travel route.**
17. For the Day of Service, the long pants that are required, do they need to be BSA issue or blue jeans are acceptable attire? **Blue jeans are fine. Any Day of Service attire should be comfortable to work in and the participant should be okay with the pants getting dirty or stained.**
18. Will long-sleeve shirts be recommended for the Day of Service like last Jamboree? **Yes.**
19. Will National offer contingent leader visitation days to The Summit again? **We will have Day Visitor passes available for purchase. Any council visiting will just need to purchase the appropriate passes as needed.**
20. Will there be open houses at The Summit for contingent leaders this summer? **At this time, no. If you have a specific request, please email [2017jamboree@scouting.org](mailto:2017jamboree@scouting.org).**

21. Are there going to be two set campsite configurations like the previous Jamboree? **In some cases, yes...however, in most cases it will follow one general configuration.**
22. When will the Jamboree flag order form be available? **This is still be TBD. Once available order forms will be placed on the website and councils will be notified.**
23. Do we need to bring American flags for each troop or they are being provided? **BSA supplies an American flag for each troop. Units will need to bring their own unit flag and banner.**
24. Do you provide flag poles? **Yes, but only one for the American Flag secured to each dining tent. Troop / Crew Flags may be secured directly to the dining fly.**
25. What size should the troop banner be? **Every troop and Venturing group is encouraged to bring a troop or crew banner, identifying them by number, geography, and council. Banners must be vinyl, 1 foot by 8 feet, with grommets in each corner. They are to be erected in the unit campsite.**
26. Do we need to bring mountain and BMX bicycles? **No. Participants are not allowed to bring their own equipment. All equipment will be provided for the activities.**
27. Are the picnic tables bigger than the ones from the last Jamboree? **The tables are the same picnic tables that were used in 2013.**
28. Are reusable lunch bags provided? If not, should lunch bags be insulated? **No, neither reusable nor disposable plastic bags will be provided. Each person will need to bring their own eating kit (plate, bowl, spork are adequate) and a reusable lunch bag. Most lunch bags are designed with some insulation; it is an individual preference.**
29. If a scout has special dietary restrictions, e.g. no sugar, who can I contact? **The Jamboree Food Team will aid Scouts, leaders, and staff who have special dietary requirements in the following ways:**

Scouts and leaders attending the Jamboree will be able to choose their meals under a new model of food distribution where units go to a designated “grocery store” in or near their base camp area and select from a wide variety of common grocery items to prepare their meals. The grocery store plan will include products that accommodate kosher, halal, gluten-free, vegetarian, and vegan diets. A list of items that the Jamboree Food Team plans to carry in the grocery stores will be published in advance of the Jamboree and will indicate which items meet common dietary restrictions. During the Jamboree, those items will be marked in the grocery store with industry-standard labels and symbols, just as one finds when shopping elsewhere. The Jamboree Food Team has also arranged for food items meeting various dietary plans to be included in the offerings at the staff dining hall.

During online registration, each Scout, leader, and staff member will be asked whether he or she has dietary preferences or restrictions. The Jamboree Food Team will then use this information to determine what foods are stocked at the grocery stores and what special diets will be supported at the staff dining hall. Therefore, it is important that individuals indicate these needs during the registration process.

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 citrus fruit, dairy, eggs, fish, nuts/ peanuts, and shellfish). Individuals will need to consider this, and avoid such items in the grocery stores and when cooking in camp or in the staff dining hall. 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.

We will be having a webinar in the fall of 2016 to better explain how the participant meal process will work for the Jamboree.

30. Are laundry services provided at Jamboree and the costs? **Yes, they will be available.**  
Costs are not yet available.

31. Will spackle buckets be provided to do laundry same as the 2013 Jamboree? **Yes.**