

SUMMIT BECHTEL RESERVE FAMILY ADVENTURES



BSA FAMILY ADVENTURE CAMP
2021 PROGRAM
SUPPLEMENT

Summit
BECHTEL RESERVE™



Family Adventure Camp at Summit Overview

WHO?

Any family who wishes to participate and that person's family (as they define it) may participate. (Must have at least one youth registered) It is designed to build bonds and create memories through interactive programs.

WHAT?

An outdoors camping opportunity to provide youth (and adults) an exciting, challenging adventure, with an opportunity to experience new horizons, explore new outdoor activities and explore Southwest West Virginia. The program will operate an open enrollment format where you and your family will have the chance to choose activities that appeal to you. Families will meet for program sessions daily in morning and afternoon.

WHEN?

Dates available June 1 to September 30, 2021

Pick your own arrival/departure. Minimum of 2-night stay.

WHERE?

The Summit Bechtel Reserve- one of four BSA National High Adventure Bases, Located in beautiful West Virginia, near Beckley WV, along the New River.

Family Groups

Participation in F A C programs will normally be by family groups. We would expect this to be a group of family members from home that would likely travel together and do programs together while at The Summit. Families are welcome to find another family group upon arrival that they wish to participate with. A "family" must have at least 1 adult 21 years old that is a registered member of the BSA. And that would be responsible for leadership of the full group.

- Who is a family member is defined by that group?
- Housing will be by family groups. Families will be organized into groups for some programs.
- The "Buddy system" must be used in all activities.

Tents and Cabins Camp Fees

Fees can change season to season and can be found at <https://www.campspot.com/book/summitbsa>

- Bed in a Bag rentals are available and will provide pillow, case, sheet, blanket, towel, and wash cloth.
- The campsite will have several covered program shelters, fire pits and open grassed areas.
- Cabins are heated and have air conditioning
- Baby cribs available
- Excellent Wi-Fi service is provided (no cost) by AT&T.
- Excellent cell phone service on most carriers
- Parking is on site near housing

Ruby Welcome Center Address & GPS Coordinates

All participants will first arrive at the Welcome Center for check in.

J.W. & Hazel Ruby West Virginia Welcome Center
55 Hazel Ruby Lane
Mt. Hope, WV 25880
37.907°N 81.171°W

Daily arrival times are between 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm. Please contact us if times outside this are needed. Departure time at end of camp is 8:00 - 10:00



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MEDICAL RE-CHECKS

Each participant's medical form (both youth and adult) will be reviewed by a member of the Medical Staff. In this review, they will briefly look over the health form and identify any medical issues of concern and discuss those concerns with either the adult leader or that participant themselves. **Note: Medical staff may place restrictions on the activities a participant may partake in if a medical condition warrants it.**

Programs

Camp Program

- The FAC program is designed to accommodate primarily youth under the age of 10 along with their family and adults.
- Programs are designed to foster:
 - Adventures- doing new and different activities
 - Learning by doing
 - Experiencing the outdoors
 - Developing relationships between youth and their adults
 - Learn and encourage Scouting ideals
 - Explore Southwest West Virginia.
- The Summit contains a High Adventure facility designed to provide challenging outdoor Scouting activities. Many of these activities are not appropriate for FAC youth to participate in. However, they provide an opportunity to expose FAC participants to exciting, advanced programs to look forward to.
- The Summit is over 10,000 acres and spread out. Participation is best accomplished by a lot of walking.
- Family groups will move from program site to program site to participate in most programs by family groups under leadership of their adult leadership. At times adults will be needed to assist with the programs
- Summit staff will conduct most programs
- There will be opportunities for families to select programs and do these on their own.
- The Summit has an extensive program, and you will not be able to do everything. (good reason to come back)
- You will have the opportunity to select some programs from alternatives offered.
- The program is very flexible, and we will do our best to accommodate your interests.
- Families need not fees they have to participate in all offered programs. If a family wants to go on a special adventure on their own (perhaps off site) we will support those interests. See included listing of available on and off-site programs.

Summit Staff Led Programs

1. Hunters Hall - wildlife conservation, basic gun safety and virtual target practice
2. Outdoor Scouting Skills
3. Ecology/Nature
 - a. Creek Walk
 - b. Wildlife
 - c. Recycle-
 - d. Plants/trees
4. Shooting Sports
 - a. BB guns
 - b. Archery
5. Climbing- crate stacking- simple canopy & challenge course
6. Aquatics
 - a. Boats
 - b. Get wet.
 - c. Fishing
7. Action Point
 - a. Skate
 - b. Zip line
 - c. BMX, Mtn Bike

FAC Staff Led Programs

1. Campfires
2. Cookout
3. Service project
4. Flag ceremony
5. Religious services on Sundays

Self-Led Programs

1. Tree house
2. Hikes
3. Off camp site seeing & adventure
4. Scouting museum/ trading post

Venue	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Action Point	Closed	Closed	9 am -12 pm and 1:30 pm - 5:30 pm	11 am - 5:30 pm	Closed	Closed	Closed
			Last Call @11:15 and 6:15	Last call @ 5:15			Staff Off
Archery	Closed	Closed	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	Closed	Closed	Closed
BB Gun	Closed	Closed	1:30 PM	1:30 PM	Closed	Closed	Closed
Aquatics	Closed	Closed	10 am - 4 pm	12 pm - 4 pm	Closed	Closed	Closed
			Last call @2:30	Last call @3:30			Staff Off
Hunters Hall	Closed	Closed	11 am and 3 pm	11 am and 3 pm	Closed	11 am	Closed
Shotgun	9 am - 12:00 pm	Closed	2 pm - 5 pm	2 pm - 5 pm	Closed	9 am - 12:00 pm	Closed
Big Zip	Closed	11 am and 3 pm	10 am and 3 pm	Closed	10 am and 11 am	10 am	Closed
			Min. of 5 participants, Max 40				
Boulder Cove	Closed	10 am - 12 pm	Closed	Closed	6 pm - 7 pm	Closed	Closed
Site Tour - Van	As Requested	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*
Site Tour - UTV	As Requested	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*	As Requested*
Evening Program							Closed

Note: All programs will be dependent on participant’s age, ability to meet participation requirements, weather, staff availability

Local Off-Site Attractions & Services

There is more to see in Southern West Virginia. After you have explored the Summit, go explore the region!

Eats

- Close /Quick
 - Subway (Glen Jean)
 - Wendy's (Oak Hill)
 - Gino's Pizza- (Mt Hope)
 - Tom's Hot Dogs- (Oak Hill)
 - Tudor's (Oak Hill)
 - Cold Spot (Glen Jean)
- Sit Down:
 - Giuseppe's (Mt Hope- Italian)
 - Café 110- (Oak Hill- American)
 - Cathedral Café (Fayetteville- Breakfast/Brunch)
 - Chimney Corners Café (BBQ- Ansted beautiful drive)
 - Pies & Pints- (Pizza, Fayetteville)

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Attractions

New River Gorge

- New River Gorge Visitor's Center & Bridge- Fayetteville area
- Thurmond, ghost town from coal mining days, adjacent to Summit
- Nuttallburg- restored coal mine facility (part of National Park)
- Bridge Walk- walk on catwalk (tethered) under the New River Gorge Bridge
- Exhibition Coal Mine (Beckley) actual coal mine you can go into, museum.
- Cass Scenic Railroad- You can ride the old original railroad, steam engine.
- Hawk's Nest State Park, great overlooks of River and jet boat rides
- Babcock State Park, historic restored water wheel mill

Other Areas

- Mountain State Mini Golf- Beckley
- WV Miners baseball- Beckley
- Grandview Cliffside Amphitheatre- Outdoor dramas
- Winter place Ski Resort
- Pinheads- bowling- Oak Hill
- Glade Springs- Golf- Daniels WV

Shopping

- Tamarack (Beckley) Handmade WV crafts
- Water Stone (Fayetteville) Outdoors/ camping/climbing/ raft supplies.

- Fishing: Summit lakes, Trout-Dunloop Creek- adjacent to Summit (May need state license)

Hike & Bike

- Mt Hope Historic walking tour.
- Long Point Trail- Fayetteville area, hike to promontory overlooking N R Gorge
- Grandview Rim trail- overlooks of Gorge.
- Arrowhead trails (Fayetteville area) 25 miles of stacked loop Mtn bike trails, built by OA-BSA.
- Rend Trail - easy trail just off Summit property.
- **Drives_**(maybe picnic)
- Dunloup Creek Gorge to Thurmond- runs border of Summit along old railroad.
- Fayette Station Bridge, the old original bridge to cross the river before the New River Bridge
- Journey Through the Coalfields- driving tour of coal field sites.
- African American heritage Tour
- To Hinton WV, cool small town, C & O Railroad Museum
- To Gauley Bridge via HWY 60- by river gorge

- New River Antique Mall- Fayetteville
- Crossroads Mall- Beckley
- Walmart, Lowes- Beckley & Fayetteville
- Downtown Mount Hope, Oak Hill, Fayetteville

What Should You Bring to Camp?

The Summit is in the mountains of West Virginia with its own weather as we are outside most of the time it is important to “be prepared” Nights can get down to 60 (lower in May & October) summer highs around 85.

- Walking/hiking shoes or boots
- Daypack
- Rain gear
- Jacket (gets cool at night)
- Water bottles
- Hat or cap
- Flashlight
- May want long pants.
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- Scout uniform (if a scout)
- Toiletries- tooth paste/brush, soap, shampoo, etc.
- Might want snacks, coffee, soft drinks, (no alcohol)
- Depending on accommodations chosen:
- Sleeping bag or blankets/sheets
- Pillow, towel, wash cloth,
- Many items are available at Summit Trading Post
- Mark name on all items

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Special Dietary Needs

The dining hall has the capability to provide meals that meet various special dietary needs throughout your stay at The Summit, including but not limited to vegetarian, vegan, religious diets, food allergies, and many more.

To notify the dining hall of your specific needs, please complete the [Dietary Restrictions and Food Allergies Form](#). In addition, please note any special diet needs on your medical forms, also identify yourself with dining hall management upon arrival and they will be happy to assist and review ingredients in the different items and review items that are available to you.

Upon arrival, you will also fill out a form for your group indicating any special needs for your participants and their program patrol number, so that when delivering lunches, the appropriate considerations can be made for those with special needs.

Common Special dietary needs that The Summit Dining Hall Accommodates

- 🐾 Vegetarian
- 🐾 Vegan
- 🐾 Kosher
- 🐾 Halal
- 🐾 Gluten Free
- 🐾 Peanut Allergies

The dining hall can accommodate other special dietary needs in addition to the ones above. If you have questions about a special dietary need e-mail Summit.Program@Scouting.org.

Due to wildlife and scavenging animals, there should be absolutely no food is to be stored in or around tents, all food must be stored in the dining hall, vehicles, or other lockable storage away from tent camping area.