

Troop 516 Summer Camp 2024!

“Let’s gooooo!”



Where: Owasippe Scout Reservation, 9900 Russell Road, Twin Lake, MI 49457

When: Saturday June 15, 2024 - Saturday June 22, 2024

How much: \$310 or \$285 for first time campers!

Why: Merit badges, rank advancement and fun!

Sign up for camp: At reservation table with \$100 deposit at any regular meeting.

Info needed at sign-up:

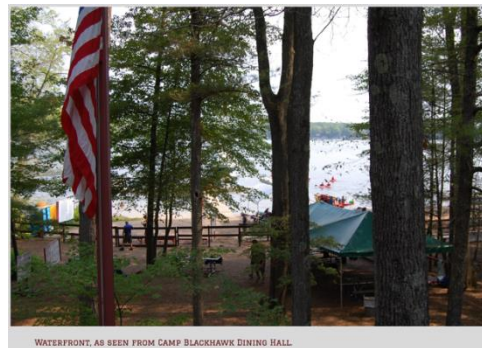
- Adults: Name, birthdate, YPT date, position, dietary restrictions, medical concerns
- Youth: Name, birthdate, rank, dietary restrictions, medical concerns



RIFLE RANGE



WATER SPORTS



WATERFRONT, AS SEEN FROM CAMP BLACKHAWK DINING HALL



The Owasippe Program Guide will be posted on their website (<https://www.owasippeadventure.com/blackhawk>) soon and will include all merit badge and activity schedules, pre-requisite requirements, and fees. The 2023 Program Guide is still on the website for gaining a general idea. Last year’s Merit Badge Selection opened on 29 April.

Details

Dates: Saturday **June 15th** to Saturday **June 22nd**. Actual camp session starts on Sunday, June 16th; but we will travel Saturday to allow time for set-up. Final summer camp preparation meeting, required for Scouts and parents, will be Troop meeting on **May 13th**.

Pre-Pack: Friday evening June 14th 2024, 7pm.

Travel: We will travel via the Troop 516 bus. We will leave SPC early on the 15th (exact time TBD) and return to SPC around 5pm on the 22nd. If you plan to transport yourself or your scout in a different way, plan to arrive at our campsite the afternoon of Saturday, June 15th or Sunday between noon and 4pm, and plan to pick up your scout no later than 10am on Saturday, June 22nd. Let the table know if you will not be taking the bus.

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Special Dietary Needs: Should be communicated at sign-up.

Tents: We will be sleeping in 2-person canvas tents with cots and floorboards (like Ransburg). We are in Blackhawk Sites 10 & 11, very near the Dining Hall and the Trading Post!

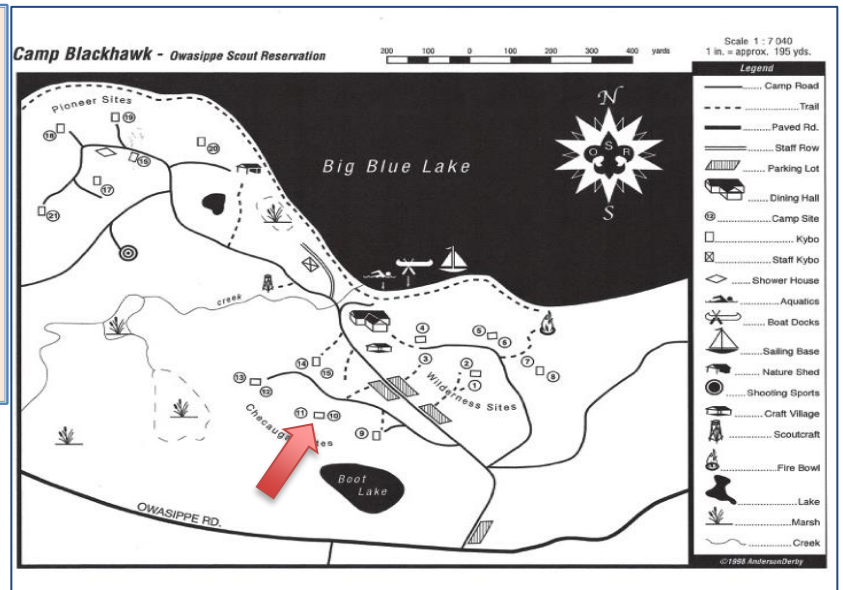
EQUIPMENT PROVIDED IN EACH SITE

- Picnic tables
- KYBO (latrine)
- Bulletin Board
- Drinking water access

Note to Units Providing their Own Tents
Troop tents must meet the minimum standard of 30 sq ft of floor space per camper. Personal tents must be clearly marked “NO FLAME IN TENTS”.

Troops can request to use the following additional OSR provided gear...
• 2-Person Canvas Wall Tents (9'6" x 7'6") • Canvas Cots • Tent Floorboards
Troops are provided 1 tent for every 2 scouts and 1 tent for 1-2 adults.
The Unit Registration Contact will be contacted by their Camp Commissioner before their stay at camp to confirm equipment needs. Tents, cots, and floorboards will not be provided by default. This additional gear must be requested with the camp commissioner. If the commissioner can not get in contact via the information provided upon registration, OSR will not have equipment prepared in the campsite for troop arrival.

Upon arrival a supply tent will contain all requested equipment and staff members will be ready to assist troops with equipment set up. Early arrival troops will discuss set up logistics with their camp commissioner.



Fees: Thanks to the Greenery sale, the cost of summer camp has been reduced by \$75 per scout to **\$310. \$100 due at sign-up, the remainder by parent meeting on May 13th.** You may also pay it all at once if preferred. If you’ve never been to summer camp before, you get an additional \$25 discount.

Payment Methods: Cash, check payable to “Scouts BSA Troop 516”, Scout account. Make all payments at the reservation table. Finances should not prohibit a Scout from attending this or any Troop event, please see the Troop Scoutmaster or Committee Chair, where we will confidentially discuss the situation to ensure the Scout’s opportunity to attend is maintained.

Resources: <https://troop516.org/resources.php>. Under “Summer Camp” eventually you will find what to pack, the health form that needs to be filled out, a camp guide that includes a map, open activities and directions, and the merit badge/activity schedule.

Health Form/Medication List: All parts (A, B, C, and insurance card). All must have been filled out within 12 months prior to camp (ie, after June 2023). Reminder that Part C needs a Physician’s signature. Turn in **3 copies** along with copies (front and back) of your insurance card at back table at an in-person meeting on or before May 13th. Lakshmi Sadhu coordinates med forms

Swim Check: Done at camp during Sunday orientation. Pre-checks allowed if not first year camper.

Merit Badges/Activities Available and Sign Up: Once Owasippe releases the 2024 Program Guide, we will upload a copy to the Troop website and post it on Discord. You can also download a copy from <https://www.owasippeadventure.com/blackhawk>. View the guide and use troop Discord to discuss selections, or e-mail Mr. Piontek (jwpiontek@duck.com). More details will be provided when available. The \$100 deposit is required before we will sign scouts up for merit badges. Note that some merit badges have additional fees that will need to be paid by the scout at camp. Owasippe has an excellent Pathfinder Program that covers most of the Scout through First Class requirements.

Medications for camp: Provide to leadership at Friday, June 14th pre-pack (preferred), or at Scout drop-off on Saturday. Send enough for an extra day or two in a Ziploc with clear name and instructions