

Winter Camp 2013 - Information Sheet

For Scouts and Parents!

Welcome, we have you registered for Winter Camp and here is some information for you about camp!

Arrival and Departure

Please arrive between 3:00PM and 4:00PM on Sunday February 17th for check in. Please do not arrive any earlier as the staff will be busy with last minute preparations. Check in will be at the Rotary Training Center, which is the large white farm house on Plains Road across from the camp entrance.

On Friday, February 22nd, the campfire and closing will start at 6:00 PM. Parents and guest will be welcome starting at 5:30 PM. All campers are dismissed after the campfire to return home on Friday night at approximately 7 PM.

Camp Fees:

The total fee for Winter Camp is \$270. Most of you have paid the \$25 deposit at this time. Please make your final payments for Winter Camp by Feb. 4th. Mail payments to Pine Tree Council 131 Johnson Rd. Portland, ME 04102 and make reference to Winter Camp on the check!

Registration for Merit Badges:

Below is a list of merit badges being offered. You may signup for one badge each period.

To sign up go to: **www.pinetreebsa.org/scss** and click on the "**Winter Camper**" button. Please complete the merit badge signup within three days of receiving this letter. If you have trouble logging in, please email dzaharis@gmail.com

Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
Chess MB Forestry MB Inventing MB Search & Rescue MB	Aviation MB Crime Prevention MB Personal Management MB Sculpture MB	Indian Lore MB Radio MB Shotgun Shooting MB Snow Sports MB	Citiz in Nation MB Communications MB Robotics MB Scouting Heritage MB

Health Forms:

Health forms are required for all winter campers and staff! Campers must complete a BSA Annual Health and Medical Record form, which requires a doctor's physical within the last 12 months prior to Winter Camp. Usually your health form from summer camp works! Please complete and return a photocopy to PTC with your final payment. Also bring an extra photocopy with you when you check in.

What to Bring For Merit Badges:

Bring a notebook, pen and pencils and appropriate merit badge books. Merit badge books may be purchased for \$4.50 plus tax at Pine Tree Council Scout Shop, from www.ScoutStuff.org, or at the Trading Post at Winter Camp. Although camp does have some skis for camper use, Scouts taking Snow Sports MB should bring their own skis and accessories.

Additional information for individual merit badges will be posted at:

www.pinetreebsa.org/scss/help/wintercamp/info/index.htm

During winter camp we will be spending time indoors and outdoors, including one evening sleeping out, so cold weather gear is very important. Please refer to the following list for appropriate clothing and equipment:

What to Bring:

- Copy of your health form and any prescription medications.
- Class A uniform for the evening meal.
- Shirts and Pants
- Outdoor pants – wool is preferred, snowmobile pants or suits, ski pants are acceptable alternatives. Cotton jeans and sweatpants for outdoor wear are NOT recommended.
- Warm winter coat
- Winter waterproof boots or packs are a MUST
- Inside shoes, sneakers or slippers
- Winter hat that covers your ears
- Wool mittens or warm winter gloves
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Sunglasses
- Toiletries – soap, comb, towels, face cloth, deodorant, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste
- Sleeping Bag rated for cold or very cold
- Extra blankets
- Pillow and sheet for bed inside
- Waterproof ground cloth or sleeping pad for overnight
- Backpack for clothing and equipment for overnight (some available if needed)
- Spending money for trading post if desired

Please MARK all gear and equipment! We will have storage for large items when not in use.

Please **DO NOT** bring:

- Footlockers – They do not fit under the bunks. Pack your gear in a duffel bag, suitcase or backpack.
- Radios, CD Players, iPods or electronic type equipment
- Cell phones
- Video games
- Any valuables

Make sure you visit the "**Winter Camp Information Page**" at:

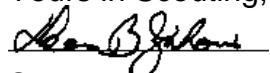
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Questions:

If you have any questions feel free to email me at dzaharis@gmail.com. We look forward to your arrival and company.

Thanks for being a Winter Camper!

Yours in Scouting,



Scoutmaster – PTC Winter Camp

Be sure to visit:

www.pinetreebsa.org/scss

and select the "**Winter Camper**" button to sign up for your merit badges.

Then click on the "**Winter Camp Information Page**" button or go to <http://www.pinetreebsa.org/scss/help/wintercamp/info/index.htm>
To find out about:

- General Winter Camp Information

- Camp Rules

- Staff List

- Directions to camp

- What to bring

- Schedule of the week

- Menu

- Merit Badge Schedule

- Merit Badge Prerequisites

- and more

Download forms:

- Medical Form

- Directions

- Schedule

- Menu

- Camp Rules

- Winter Camp Flyer