



2023-2025 Sandhills District Program Planning Guide

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About Sandhills District and the Key 3 Team

The Sandhills District is part of the Occoneechee Council, Boy Scouts of America. It serves Scouting units in Lee, Cumberland, Moore, and Harnett Counties of NC. Scouting units and programming in the Sandhills District is supported by a small but dedicated District Committee (Membership, Finance, Outdoor, Activities and Civic Service, Advancement, Training, Youth Protection Champion, and Quartermaster). There is also a **District Key 3** involved in providing leadership to the efforts to support Scouting. All are there as a resource for you and your unit.

With many of the challenges from the past couple of years behind us, there are great opportunities available moving forward for Packs and Troops, Ships, and Crews. Please use this planning calendar as you build your unit's program plans. Check out pages 6-13 for key dates, then see pages 14–22 for descriptions. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Key 3+ team. We are here to support your Scouts!

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Key 3 Team

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Sandhills District Website: www.Sandhills.OCScouts.org

Official Sandhills Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/sandhills.district

Occoneechee Council Website: www.OCScouts.org

Official Occoneechee Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/OcconeecheeCouncilBSA



The Scouting Programs

The Scouting experience is divided into programs according to age and activities.



CUB SCOUTING – Boys and Girls - Grades K-5 (5-10 years old)

Cub Scouting is fun for the whole family. In Scouting, boys and girls start with their best right now selves and grow into their very best future selves. It's fun, hands-on learning and achievement that puts kids in the middle of the action and prepares them for today – and for life.



SCOUTS BSA – Youth - Grades 6-12 (11-17 years old)

Scouts BSA is the traditional Scouting experience for youth in the fifth grade through high school. Service, community engagement, and leadership development become increasingly important parts of the program as youth lead their own activities and work their way toward earning Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout.



VENTURING – Co-ed - 14-20 years old

You love exploring your passions, making new friends, and discovering the world. You're always looking for an adventure. Rappelling a cliff. Perfecting your shot. Designing a robot. Kayaking into the sunset. Volunteering at an animal shelter. The choice is yours! Venturing is youth-led and youth-inspired. You'll acquire life skills and gain experiences that will prove to be valuable regardless of where your future takes you, all while having a blast: leadership, event-planning, organization, communication, responsibility—the list goes on!



SEA SCOUTS – Co-ed - 14-20 years old

For over 100 years Sea Scouting has promoted better citizenship and improved member's boating skills through instruction and practice in water safety, boating skills, outdoor, social, service experiences, and knowledge of maritime heritage.

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Important Dates - Cub Scouts



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Calendar Year 2023

Aug	Month-long Recruiting Round-up
Aug 19	Woodpecker Baseball Overnight
Aug 23	Popcorn Kick-off
Sep	Popcorn Sales
Sep 17	Fall Round-up and start of BLITZ (BLITZ runs through Oct 7 Roundtable)
Oct 6-8	Sandhills Jamboree, Camp Durant
Oct 21	Jamboree On-The-Air Super Saturday Cub Nova STEM Event
Oct 27-29	Council Spook-O-Ree
Nov 11	Cub Super Saturday – “Shooting and Climbing”
Dec 2	Cub Super Saturday – “Gingerbread Engineering”



Important Dates - Cub Scouts, cont.

Calendar Year 2024

Feb 8	BSA National Day of Service
Feb TBD	Marksmen Hockey Sleeping on the Ice
Mar 2	Cub Scout Open Program—Camp Durant
Mar 8-10	Catholic Camporee
Mar 16	Sandhills District Pinewood Derby
Mar 23	Cub Super Saturday Adventure – Shooting Sports Day
Apr	All Month - Spring Blitz Recruiting
Apr 26-28	Council Cuboree Camping event for Cub Scout families
May 11-12	BSA National Day of Service “Stamp-out Hunger”
Jun 8	Cub Scout Shooting Sports Training
Jun 13-15	Cub Summer Camp (@ Camp Durant)
Jun 17-21	Sandhill’s Day Camp
TBD	Woodpecker Baseball Overnight
Aug	Month-long Recruiting Round-up
Aug	Popcorn Kick-off TBD
Aug 23-24	Cub Movie Overnighter / Cub Super Saturday STEM Adventure Day
Sep	Popcorn Sales
Sep 14	Fall Round-up and start of BLITZ (BLITZ runs through Oct 3 Roundtable)
Oct 11-13	Council Camporee
Oct 19	Jamboree On-The-Air Super Saturday Cub Nova STEM Event
Oct 25-27	Council Spook-O-Ree
Nov 8-10	Webelos Woods
Nov 9	Cub Super Saturday – “Outing in Scouting”

"An individual step in character training is to put responsibility on the individual."

*-Robert Baden-Powell
Founder of Boy Scouts*



Important Dates - Cub Scouts, cont.

Calendar Year 2025

Feb 8	BSA National Day of Service
Feb TBD	Marksman Hockey Sleeping on the Ice
March 1	Cub Scout Shooting Sports and Climbing
Mar 7-9	Catholic Camporee
March 22	Sandhills District Pinewood Derby
Mar 29	Cub Super Saturday Adventure – Shooting Sports Day
April	All Month - Spring Blitz Recruiting
Apr 25-27	Council Cuboree Camping event for Cub Scout families
May	“Stamp-out Hunger”
May 10-11	BSA National Day of Service
Jun 7	Cub Scout Shooting Sports Training
Jun 19-21	Cub Summer Camp (@ Camp Durant)
Jun 23-27	Day Camp
TBD	Woodpecker Baseball Overnight
Aug	Month-long Recruiting Round-up
Aug TBD	Popcorn Kick-off
Aug 22-23	Cub Movie Overnighter / Cub Super Saturday STEM Adventure Day
Sep	Popcorn Sales
Sep 4	Fall Round-up and start of BLITZ (BLITZ runs through Oct 3 Roundtable)
Oct 10-12	Sandhill’s Jamboree
Oct 18	Jamboree On-The-Air Super Saturday Cub Nova STEM Event
Oct 24-26	Council Spook-O-Ree
Nov 7-9	Webelos Woods
Nov 8	Cub Super Saturday – “Outing in Scouting”



Important Dates - Scouts BSA

Calendar Year 2023

Aug	TBD Popcorn Kick-off
Aug 19	Community Yard Sales (Units sell and keep their own money)
Aug 19	Woodpecker Baseball Overnight
Sep	Popcorn Sales
Oct 6-8	Sandhills District Jamboree
Oct 7	OA Lauchsoheen District Hike
Nov	Month-long Service Project "Scouting for Food"
Nov 4	University of Scouting (Council)
Nov	Veteran Day Parades (More to Follow)
Dec	Month-long Service Project (Food Drive, Pet Shelter Supply Drive, Coats/hats/gloves/sock Drive for local Shelters)
Dec 9	Fayetteville Christmas Parade
Dec 9	Sandhills District Merit Badge
Dec	District 20 in 24 Hike
Dec 30	"Last Day Hike" at San-Lee Park (Sponsored by Crew 907)

"I have over and over again explained that the purpose of the Boy Scout and Girl Guide Movement is to build men and women as citizens endowed with the three H's namely, Health, Happiness, and Helpfulness."

"The open-air is the real objective of Scouting and the key to its success."

-Robert Baden-Powell



Important Dates - Scouts USA, cont.

Calendar Year 2024

Jan 12-14	Winter Blast
Feb	Month-long Service Project "Scouting for Food"
TBD	Marksmen Hockey Sleeping on the Ice
Mar 8-10	Catholic Camporee (Camp Bowers)
Mar 15-17	Order of the Arrow Spring Pow-Wow
Mar 22-24	Sandhills District Spring Scout BSA Camporee (Camp Bowers)
June-July	Summer Camp
Aug TBD	Popcorn Kick-off
Aug 10	Community Yard Sales (Units sell and keep their own money)
Sep	Popcorn Sales
Oct 5	OA Lauchsoheen District Hike
Oct 11-13	Sandhills District Jamboree
Nov	Month-long Service Project "Scouting for Food"
Nov 2	University of Scouting (Council)
Nov	Veteran Day Parades (More to Follow)
Nov 8-10	Webelos Woods
Dec	Month-long Service Project (Food Drive, Pet Shelter Supply Drive, Coats/hats/gloves/sock Drive for local Shelters)
Dec TBD	Fayetteville Christmas Parade
Dec TBD	District 20 in 24 Hike

"A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room."

-Robert Baden-Powell



Important Dates - Scouts USA, cont.

Calendar Year 2025

- Jan 17-19 Council Spring Merit Badge Event
- Feb Month-long Service Project "Scouting for Food"
- TBD Marksmen Hockey Sleeping on the Ice
- Mar 7-9 Catholic Camporee (Camp Bowers)
- Mar 14-16 Order of the Arrow Spring Pow-Wow
- Apr 11-13 Sandhills District Spring Scout BSA Camporee
- June-July Summer Camp
- Aug TBD Popcorn Kick-off
- Aug 9 Community Yard Sales (Units sell and keep their own money)
- Sep Popcorn Sales
- Oct 4 OA Lauchsoheen District Hike
- Oct 10-12 Sandhills District Jamboree
- Nov Month-long Service Project "Scouting for Food"
- Nov 1 University of Scouting (Council)
- Nov Veteran Day Parades (More to Follow)
- Nov 7-9 Webelos Woods
- Dec Month-long Service Project (Food Drive, Pet Shelter Supply Drive, Coats/hats/gloves/sock Drive for local Shelters)
- Dec TBD Fayetteville Christmas Parade
- Dec TBD District 20 in 24 Hike, Crew 907 at San Lee Park



Order of the Arrow

Dates Sandhills District OA Program 2023-2024



Aug 18-19	Trade-O-Ree
Sept 15-17	Fall Fellowship
Oct 7	OA Lauchsoheen District Hike
Oct 21-22	Vigil Gathering
Nov 17 18	Lodge Leadership Development
Dec 2	Winter Banquet

2024

Jan 2024	Carolina Indian Seminar
Mar 15-17	Spring Pow Wow
April 19-21	Cardinal Conclave
May 17-19	Spring Inductions
Aug 16 17	Trade-O-Ree
Sept 20-22	Fall Fellowship
Oct 5	OA Lauchsoheen District Hike
Oct 19-20	Vigil Gathering
Nov 15-17	Lodge Leadership Development
Dec 7	Winter Banquet

Dates subject to change.
visit <https://sandhills.ocscouts.org/>
for the latest information.

What is Order of the Arrow (OA)?

The Order of the Arrow is the BSA's National Honor Society. It recognizes Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America's youth.

Sandhills District has three chapters:

- ♦ Mimahuk
- ♦ Lauchsoheen
- ♦ Netopolis

Who can I talk to for more information?

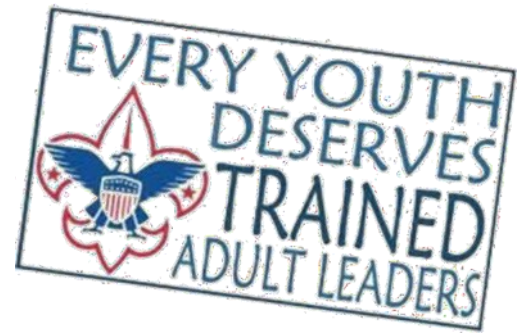
Chapter Advisors [_sandhills-oa@ocscouts.org](mailto:sandhills-oa@ocscouts.org)

or visit www.Lodge104.net

Training Opportunities

Dates Sandhills District Training 2023

Aug 26	Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training
Sep 23	Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training
Oct 14-15	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)
Oct 14-15	Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)
Nov 4	University Of Scouting (Council Event)
Dec 9-10	Sandhills District Merit Badge



2024

Jan 13	Den Leader Huddle
Jan 27	The Fundamentals of Training
Feb 10	The Trainer's EDGE
Mar 9	Leader Specific Training
Apr 27-28	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)
Apr 27-28	Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)
May 11	Leader Specific Training
Jun 8	Cub Scout Shooting Sports Training
Aug 24	Leader Specific Training
Sep 28-29	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)
Sep 28-29	Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)
Oct 26	Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training
Nov 5	University Of Scouting (Council Event)

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Visit <https://sandhills.ocscouts.org/training/> for the latest training information

Program Description—Training

T3 Train the Trainer – 2 Part Series

Part 1: Fundamentals of Training, & introductory course for Youth & Adults looking to become involved in BSA Training

Part 2: The Trainer's EDGE, a more advance Course to hone the skills of the Trainers, NYLT Staff & Wood Badge Staff members

Jan 27 & Feb 10 2024

Den Chief Training

This course is designed to provide meaningful opportunities to support the Den and activities within a Cub Scout Pack.



CPR / AED/ First Aid Training

The BSA recommends taking course from Nationally accredited organizations that

Cover rescue breathing as part of your Toolkit. Are you prepared to help in a real

And very common crisis one that could happen at anytime? Do you know how to Correctly perform CPR? Join us and learn how to be prepared.

Looking for Sponsor

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) Training *

This course is designed as an introduction to The Cub Scout outdoor program for leaders Interested in adding a camping component to Their Pack activities. BSA'S Cub Scout level camping Policies will be taught along with the Discovery of the necessary tools to help units carry out a successful camping experience.

Oct 14-15, 2023

Apr 27-28, 2024

Sept 28-29, 2024

- **Required BALOO trained leader is mandatory to take a Pack on any overnights**



Sandhills District Key Events

BSA National Day of Service

February 8th annually recognizes National Boys Scouts Day. Since 1910, boys across America have been doing good deeds, learning survival skills, and developing moral foundations through the Boy Scout of America. The Boy Scouts of America has roots in the British Boy Scouts organization which was created in 1908 after the success of the book Scouting for Boys by Robert Baden-Powell. On a foggy day in London an American newspaperman, William Dickson Boyce, became lost when a Boy Scout came to his assistance. With the boy's guidance, Boyce arrived at his destination. When Boyce offered payment for the assistance, the Boy Scout refused explaining it was a good deed.

Feb 8th

Sandhills District Spring Camporee



Our annual Spring Camporee draws Scouts BSA from across the District for an action-packed weekend of Scouting Fun!

March 22-24, 2024



The annual popcorn sale allows Scouts to proudly put on their uniforms and raise money to pay their way through Scouting by selling popcorn. Seeing Scouts out and about also helps showcase the wonderful spirit of Scouting in the community.

District Kick-off in August

Sandhills District Fall Jamboree



This is the annual gathering of our the entire Sandhills District – come out and celebrate jamboree style at Camp Durant!

October 6-8' 2023

October 11-13, 2024

Program Descriptions—Cub Scouts

District Pinewood Derby



Save the date for the annual District Pinewood Derby Race! This is an opportunity for another round of racing beyond the Pack level for Cubs. Looking for another race!

March 16, 2024

Webelo Wood

Webelos Woods is a special outdoor adventure for Webelos Scouts (4th and 5th graders), featuring the many outdoor adventures of Scouting, including archery, BB-gun shooting, hiking, knots, and first aid. A campfire program and [Arrow of Light](#) ceremony is held on Saturday evening and conducted by the Scouts BSA youth leadership at Webelos Woods.

Webelos Woods is a great opportunity for Webelos Scouts to spend time with and learn from older Scouts, and experience first-hand what's ahead in Scouts BSA.

Nov 8-10, 2024

Nov 7-9, 2025

Cub Scout Summer Camp



Cub Scouts and Webelos get to experience all the excitement that Camp Durant has to offer! This is a multi-day, overnight adventure.

June 13-15, 2024

Cub Day Camp



Day Camps offer Tiger Cubs through Webelos Scouts a chance to make crafts, shoot BB guns, shoot bows and arrows, play games, learn about nature, earn advancements, be with friends and most importantly...HAVE FUN!

June 17-21, 2024

Program Descriptions—All Scouts

District 20 Miles in 24 Hours Hike



Opportunity to units to get the longest hike completed that is required for the Hiking Merit Badge. Location will be the Uwharrie Trails. Shorter hike options will be available. Units must hike together.

TBD December 2023

Community Support—Local Parades



Parades - good way to display Scouting
Memorial Day
4th of July
Veteran's Day
Christmas

Last Day Hike



Last chance to get together and finish off the year of Scouting in style before we ring in the New Year! San Lee Park, Sanford

December 30, 2023

Scouting for Food



Scouting for Food- Biannual District Food drives and several unit opportunities.
Stamp Out Hunger- May partner with the USPS Postal and United Way

Program Descriptions—Scouts BSA

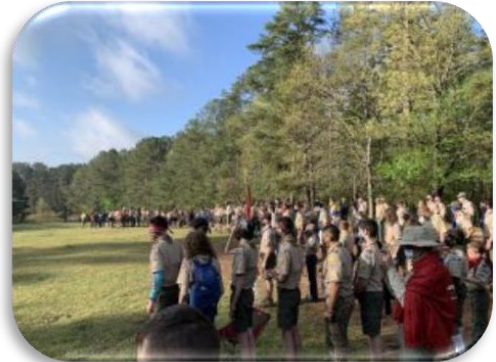
Merit Badge University



The Merit Badge University is an opportunity for Scouts BSA youth to earn merit badges. Counselors from around the area provide a focused, interactive experience!

Nov 4, 2023 / Nov 2, 2024 / Nov 1, 2025

Sandhills District Spring Camporee



A camporee is a fun weekend filled with Scouts BSA skill competitions and meeting other Scouts from around your area. The camporee skill competitions take place by patrols. These competitions usually cover fundamental outdoor skills like fire building, knot tying, or cooking... or, they could be activities just for fun like relay races, memory games, and more.

Mar 22-24, 2024

Summer Camp



Summer camp is a week-long experience where Scouts can earn merit badges of their choice while camping with their friends in their Troop. This gives Scouts the chance to take part in activities that they might normally have trouble finding such as climbing courses, archery, or even just learning to swim in the camp lake.

June - July

Sandhills District Fall Jamboree



This is the annual gathering of the entire Sandhills District – come out and celebrate jamboree style at Camp Durant!

October 11-13, 2024

Activities and Civic Service—All Units

Scouting was founded on the premise of doing a **Good Turn Daily**.

Service projects may help the natural world, the community, or the chartered organization. Here are some examples of service activities Scouts can do.

- ◆ Helping the natural world
 - ◆ Pick up litter around your neighborhood.
 - ◆ Clean up trash in and around rivers, lakes, and streams.
 - ◆ Plant seedlings, flowers, or trees.
- ◆ Helping the community
 - ◆ Conduct a flag ceremony for a school.
 - ◆ Collect food for food banks.
 - ◆ Shovel snow or rake leaves for seniors.
 - ◆ Conduct visiting or reading programs for seniors.
- ◆ Helping the chartered organization
 - ◆ Do a cleanup project.
 - ◆ Conduct a flag ceremony.
 - ◆ Help set up for a special event.
 - ◆ Hand out programs or bulletins at a meeting of the organization.



What is Scouting for Food?

As Scouts, we know how fortunate we are to have a warm meal every night—whether around the campfire or at the kitchen table. And we know that not everyone is so lucky. Scouts across the nation do their part to help address this problem in their local communities through this annual food drive.



Why Participate?

This is a great opportunity for Scouts to earn service hours for ranks while making a big impact on their community. It helps to strengthen Scouting's ties to the community and is also an easy-to-plan program for your Pack or Troop to do in March. And most importantly, Scouts have fun doing it!

**Pick a month, one weekend to set out stickers and the following weekend to pick up food.
Choose a month that works for your unit and community.**



SEA SCOUTS

Sea Scouting is high-adventure on sea and land – providing new experiences, exploration, adventure, and lifelong memories. We are involved in recreational boating (sailing, power boating, water sports, kayaking, canoeing), camping, and other high-adventure activities. No previous experience is needed. Come learn some new skills and be prepared for fun on the water!

Sea Scouts, BSA is a specialized program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women ages 14 to 20 who want to have fun and

experience the rich opportunities and traditions of the sea.

Sea Scout Ship Nine-Four is chartered by the Anderson Creek POA in Harnett County, North Carolina. Since its start in 2020, the unit has been one of the premier Sea Scout Ships in Occonechee Council.



For more information, visit

<https://shipninefour.org/>



VENTURING

Venturing is a youth-led program all about building adventures with your friends. Choose to do activities that matter to you and develop essential skills like leadership, event-planning, organization, communication, and responsibility while having a blast!

Venturing, BSA is a specialized program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women ages 14 to 20 who want to have fun and experience the

adventure with a focus on outdoor-oriented posts.

Venturing empowers you to create your own experiences while bringing Scouting values to life through high adventure outdoor activities and challenging real-world projects.

For more information, visit

www.scouting.org/programs/venturing/



Fundraising Opportunities

The Sandhills District Popcorn and Scout Card Sales are a very important source of funding for local Scouting unit activities. The sales provide units with a safe, coordinated, money-earning opportunity with no upfront cost to the unit.

What does this mean for your unit?

- ♦ You can use the council fundraisers to fund your entire year's activities. Imagine being able to have great events, campouts, and have every youth go to summer camp **without asking the family for any money**.
- ♦ Last year, the average popcorn sale per Scout was about \$335 and some units achieved over \$1200 per Scout!

Would you like to...

- ♦ Teach the Scouts the principles of free enterprise & "paying their own way"?
- ♦ Have all Scout activities paid without having to dip into your wallet?

Unit Commissions

- ♦ Help offset the cost of the BSA membership fees
- ♦ You can earn enough money to fund your unit's Scouting program for the entire year

No Up-Front Money

- ♦ The Council allows your unit to order the product needed and pay later.

Teaches Life Lessons

- ♦ Teaches Scouts the responsibility of "Earning Their Own Way" and builds self-confidence.
- ♦ Scouts learn leadership skills and financial skills.

Fall Popcorn Sales



The annual popcorn sale allows Scouts to proudly put on their uniforms and raise money to pay their way through Scouting by selling popcorn. Seeing Scouts out and about also helps showcase the wonderful spirit of Scouting in the community.



Spring Scout Card Sales



As the Scout Law encourages, A Scout is thrifty...and so they support their own Scouting adventures! The Scout Card sale is designed to help Scouts earn the funds they need to pay for their camp and other fun Scout activities themselves, where units keep 50% of the Scout Card sales.

Sandhills District Membership

46% of families in Scouting were never asked to join!!

Spread the word...invite family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers

Since 1910, Scouting has helped mold the future leaders of this country by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun. The Boy Scouts of America believes and understands that helping youth puts us on a path toward a more conscientious, responsible, and productive society.

Our District has a strong foundation of delivering a program for youth and families. Despite the continued challenges of 2021-2022, the District's Mission is fundamentally secure.

We are poised for growth as we enter our year-round recruiting initiative. We are confident of our ability to strengthen communities through life changing experiences for our youth and families. Our Vision is to build character, teach leadership skills and instill a commitment of service to others that last a lifetime.

The focus this year is to communicate the value Scouting brings to our existing and prospective families and youth. We need to project relevancy as we reemerge as a formidable and necessary program for family engagement and youth development.

Our holistic membership plan helps units to be more sustainable by providing resources for units to increase their membership, retention, program quality, advancement, fundraising, as well as adult participation. Research shows that high-performing units also impact the district through increased camp attendance, popcorn sales, and service to our community.

We will continue to build upon the foundation which Scouting is sustained so more youth and their families will have the opportunity to create memorable experiences together.

The District Unit Membership Growth plan addresses each of the four sources of membership growth. The plan requires the knowledge, support, and participation of the district leadership team as well as the members of the district committee and commissioner staff.



District Staff

District Key 3

District Chair: The district chair is responsible for the successful operation of all the committees of the district. He provides leadership to the committee chairs and ensures full, functioning committees.

District Commissioner: The job of the District Commissioner is the quality control officer who recruits, trains, and leads a staff of commissioners who coach adult leaders of every unit to succeed. The District Commissioner is responsible for the unit service function of the district.

District Executive: The Family Scouting Executive is the full-time professional assigned to guide the District and its top leadership in the overall functions of the district. The Family Scouting Executive serves under the direction of the Council Scout Executive.

District Vice-Chairs: The district vice-chairs are assigned to counties to assist the district chairman in the membership, program, and fund development functions of the district.

District Staff

Program Vice-Chair: The job of the District Program Vice-Chair is to recruit volunteers & lead the team in the four functions of the Program Committee: Activities, Advancement, Outdoor Program, and Training.

Camping & Outdoors Chair: In addition to promoting camping programs, the camping committee also tracks trends in summer camp attendance and provides input into the operation of the summer camping facilities.

Order of the Arrow Advisor: The Order of the Arrow is Scouting's national honor society. The chapter advisor serves as the mentor, coach, and trainer of the youth officers.

Membership & Marketing Chair: Responsible to the district chair to recruit and build a volunteer committee structure to ensure steady, balanced, membership growth throughout the district, paying particular attention to areas of special need, while maintaining mutually beneficial relationships with chartered organizations and other community and youth-serving groups within the district's territory.

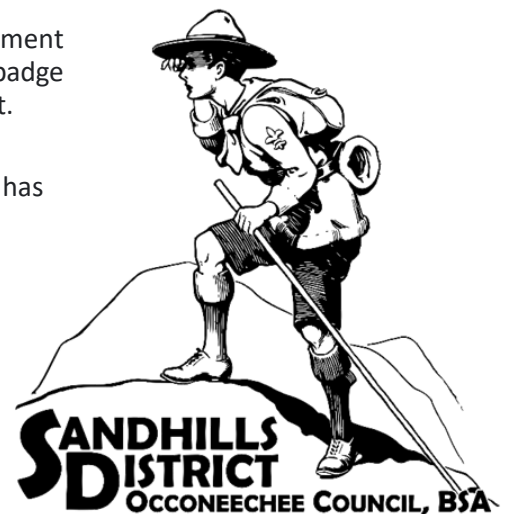
Advancement Chair: The district advancement program provides youth and adults the knowledge and skills necessary to have a great unit advancement program. We counsel and train leadership on record keeping, merit badge counseling techniques, and the requirements for becoming an Eagle Scout.

Training Chair: Training courses are developed to provide all levels of knowledge for unit operations. This ranges from the youth member who has been elected a patrol leader for the first time to the Scoutmaster with 20 years of experience. Training is essential!

By learning the best practices for your position, you will become a better leader!

Activities and Civic Services Chair: The district helps units to coordinate events and activities. In addition to having district-sponsored events, we also encourage units to sponsor their own events and invite units from around the district to participate.

Finance Chair: The Finance Chair is responsible for helping units raise funds to support their planned scouting activities. Also assist Council with fundraising to provide training and other services to units throughout the District.



Occoneetchee Scout Reservation

Camp Durant is the primary summer camping facility of the Occoneetchee Council. Camp Durant is a part of the Occoneetchee Scout Reservation, a 2,400-acre (9.7 km²) tract in northwestern Moore County, NC. The property straddles the geographic division of the Piedmont and Sandhills regions of North Carolina.

Camp Durant is also available year-round for Scouting usage.



Online Reservations are now available for all campsite, buildings, and facilities at Camp Durant

<https://campdurant.com/reservations/>

Make plans for a Pack or Troop campout or schedule a weekend in a lodge or multi-function hall for your Pack or Troop's special outing or winter camp event.

Camp Durant is perfect for retreats, outdoor socials, nature and environmental education, group camping, business team-building events, family reunions, community events, and so much more!

LOCATION

**4637 Old Carthage Road,
Carthage NC 28327**

FACILITIES INCLUDE

- ◆ Full-Service Dining Hall
- ◆ Shooting Ranges
- ◆ Large Waterfront
- ◆ Four-Sided Climbing Tower
- ◆ Cope Elements
- ◆ Handicraft
- ◆ Nature Center Trail Network
- ◆ Fish Camp

PROGRAM OFFERINGS

- ◆ Scout Unit Campouts
- ◆ Meeting Place
- ◆ Hiking
- ◆ Geo-caching
- ◆ Shooting Sports
- ◆ COPE Course (under repair)
- ◆ ATV Opportunities
- ◆ Summer Camp
- ◆ Winter camping





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"Teach Scouts not how to get a living, but how to live."

-Robert Baden-Powell.

