

BSA Troop 317 Campership Policy

Camperships are based on and funded through the generosity of Troop 317 families. We are pleased to make these funds available to Troop 317 families based on their financial need.

Purpose:

- To acknowledge that God is the giver of all good and perfect gifts (James 1:17)
- To promote a sense of personal responsibility and citizenship in the Scout (2 Timothy 3:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:10)
- To foster and practice community service within our Troop family (Galatians 6:10)

Guidelines:

- All camperships are based on available Troop funds and will be reviewed by the Troop Campership Committee, consisting of the Troop Committee Chairman, the Scoutmaster, the Treasurer and the Scout's ASM. If there are multiple applicants for a limited number of Troop funds, the amount of campership aid may be less than requested.
- Camperships may be made available for any Troop activity exceeding \$100 (SuperTrip, Junior Leadership Training, Philmont, Summer Camp, etc.)
- Other assistance for some activities may be available through the Atlanta Area Council or other sources via a separate application process. Application for Troop 317 assistance must include details of assistance requested and provided from other sources.
- The Campership will not exceed 75% of the total fees for the activity
- Parents or sponsors must fund at least 25% of the total fees for the activity
- The Troop will allocate unused Scout Account funds from Scouts who leave the Troop, as well as any specially designated receipts, towards camperships.
- It must be understood that all other sources of financial help have been exhausted including the Scout's own earning power, his participation in Troop fund-raising activities (Popcorn, etc.) and his family's resources. The Scout's agreed upon share of the activity fee (minimum of 25% of the camping/activity fee) must be paid prior to the activity.
- Applicants need not provide any financial statement

Application:

- The Scout will submit an essay of approximately 250 words (1 page, double-spaced, 12-point font) addressing ONE of the following:
 1. What attracts him to the Scouting program?
 2. What is a Scout and what does he represent?
 3. A topic of the Campership Committee's choice
- The Scout's parents must complete the attached application form
- All applications must be signed by a parent or guardian
- Both the essay and the completed application form must be turned in to the Troop Committee Chairman before the Committee Meeting PRIOR to the payment deadline for the camp/activity

Scout Responsibilities:

- The Scout must maintain at least 75% participation in Troop meetings, weekend outings, fund raising and other activities
- The Scout must exhibit the ideals of Scouting as characterized in the Scout Law, Scout Oath, motto and slogan
- The Scout must be pursuing advancement at a reasonable pace, as determined by his ASM.
- The Scout must wear the uniform properly at all activities, when required
- Parental/guardian participation and commitment to Scouting is expected

Approvals (3 out of 4 required):

- All camperships are based on available Troop funds and will be reviewed by the Troop Campership Committee, consisting of the Troop Committee Chairman, the Scoutmaster, the Treasurer and the Scout's ASM.
- All applications will be considered strictly confidential
- Once the campership application has been approved or rejected by the Campership Committee, the application will either be returned to the family or destroyed. The Treasurer will keep a ledger of all financial assistance provided to Scouts by activity and date.
- While there is no requirement or expectation on behalf of the Troop, awarded camperships may be paid back to the Troop's campership account. The family's ability or inability to do so, however, will have no impact on the decision by the campership committee whether or not to award the campership



BOY SCOUT TROOP 317 CAMP/ACTIVITY FEE CAMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please read the policy statement concerning troop camperships carefully

Application Date: _____

Scout's Name: _____ Age: _____ Months in Troop: _____

Camp/Activity: _____

Date of Camp/Activity: _____ Fee for Camp/Activity: _____

* Note: Campership fees are based on available Troop funds.
Campership money may or may not be available, or may be less than requested depending on available funds.

Parent or Guardian Information:

Father' Name: _____ Occupation/Employer: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Occupation/Employer: _____

Names / Ages of other children in the home: _____

Please explain the circumstances which necessitate financial assistance: _____

Has applicant participated in troop fundraisers or received funding from other sources towards this activity? YES NO

If yes, please describe (Popcorn, AAC scholarship, etc): _____

How much of the camp/activity fee will be paid by the applicant and/or family: \$ _____ (Note: This amount must be paid prior to the date of the camp/activity and must be greater than or equal to 25% of the total fee.)

Parent/Guardian Signature(s):

I hereby certify that said Scout would not be able to have a camp experience without the assistance of this campership. I also certify that financial need does exist.

Print: _____ Sign: _____ Date: _____

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– For Campership Committee Use Only –

Reviewed by Committee on: _____ Approved / Declined _____ Campership Amount: _____

Scout Responsibilities Worksheet

Applicant Responsibility	Date	Campership Committee Approval
1. Application Completed and signed by Parent/Guardian		
2. Essay completed and turned in with application		
3. 75% participation in the following (validated by ASM)		
Troop Meetings		
Weekend Outings		
Fund Raising activities (Popcorn, etc.)		
Other activities		
4. Scout must exhibit ideals of Scouting as characterized in the Scout Law, Oath, motto and slogan		
5. Scout must wear the uniform properly at all activities, when required		
6. Parent/Guardian commitment to Troop, validated by Troop Committee		