

BSA Centennial Celebration

Information for Leaders of Boy Scouts

We are excited and anxiously awaiting the BSA Centennial Celebration on Saturday, September 18, 2010, at the Washington County Fairgrounds. Thank you for your support and willingness to be involved with this historic day. With interactive exhibits, activities and entertainment, this event will be a memorable and inspiring experience for all scouts and their leaders.

To help you prepare and plan, please become familiar with the following information:

1. Check-in will begin at 11:00 a.m. and last until 1:00 p.m. and will be located at the north entrance to the fairgrounds. All exhibits should be fully operational by 11:00 a.m. All exhibits will close at 7:00 p.m.
2. We are anticipating approximately 2500 – 3000 Boy Scouts and Varsity/Venture Scouts. The Cub Scouts will have a separate activity and will not be involved with the exhibits.
3. The scouts will be divided into 4 groups and will be given a colored wristband at check-in (red, white, yellow, and blue.)
4. The scouts and troop leaders will receive a rotation schedule at check in.
5. Each exhibit will include a “hands-on” or engaging activity which will provide scouts with career insight, hobby activities, or will meet at least one merit badge requirement. There will be over 80 exhibits in the rotation.
6. Scouts will rotate in 30 minute intervals through the various exhibits and will have the opportunity to visit a maximum of 10 exhibits, as well as having a lunch break. They also will have the option of using any 30 minute period for other things (touring the grounds, visiting food vendors, listening to the entertainment, etc.)
7. The 4 venues will be Inside A, Inside B, Outside C, Outside D.

In addition:

a. Scout leaders should encourage their troop to work as team and pick from each venue the exhibits they would like to visit. Each group will have a scheduled break for lunch. Scouts and leaders will purchase lunch/dinner at a designated “food court” where several vendors will be present, participating in the event. (The only food available throughout the entire event 11:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. is for purchase. Scouts need to come prepared to purchase their own food, or bring snacks, etc.)

b. Scouts and leaders should be dressed in their BSA approved uniforms and

are encouraged to wear good walking shoes (not flip flops), and bring money for food purchases.

c. They also will have the option of using any 30 minute period for other things (touring the grounds, visiting food vendors, listening to the entertainment, etc.). They should plan to return promptly to their next scheduled venue (following their break) in an effort to keep to the 30 minute rotation schedule.

d. There will be 2 - 30 minute rotation schedule elective periods allowed per color that can be used to revisit any exhibit desired. These will work the same way as the free periods. Scouts and their leaders can revisit any exhibit and when finished they can join back in with their next scheduled venue. A list of exhibits (over 80) and the rotation schedules will be provided at check-in.

e. Remember to bring your troop flags and stands to proudly represent your troop. Your flags will be deposited and displayed near check-in. It will be your responsibility to retrieve it at the end of the day.