



Since the first National Scout Jamboree was held in the summer of 1937 on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., the jamboree has become Scouting's flagship event. In the summer of 2013, the Summit Bechtel Family Reserve welcomed Scouts to a whole new jamboree experience with world-class facilities and a focus on outdoor action sports. In 2017, SBR and the jamboree will be even better.

The 2017 National Scout Jamboree will take place July 19 - 28, 2017 at the Summit in the New River Gorge area of West Virginia and **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**. Want to find out more? There's a one-stop shop for registering, additional information, and all kinds of details at [bsajamboree.org](http://bsajamboree.org).

Here is what you need to know:

Dates: July 19 - 28, 2017

Cost: We are projecting the cost to be \$1,300 - \$1,400 per council contingent member.

How you can go: Youth who will be Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers, or Sea Scouts (see the back for the specific requirements). Adults can go as Scoutmasters or Crew Advisors (see the back for the specific requirements). For staff requirements, go to [bsajamboree.org](http://bsajamboree.org).

Application process: For youth – go to [bsajamboree.org](http://bsajamboree.org) and click register. Once you complete the web form, the parent will receive an email to finalize the national BSA process by completing the waiver. After that, print a copy of your registration confirmation and attach the Scoutmaster approval that will be emailed to you. Then submit the approved application to the Lewis M. Sansom Scout Center with a check for the \$250 non-refundable deposit.

For adults – contact Jennifer Williams or Bruce Van Cleve at the Lewis M. Sansom Scout Center for a 2017 National Scout Jamboree adult leader application. Our goal is to fill four Scout troops and two Venture patrols. Each troop requires four adults over the age of 21 and one adult between 18 and 21 years of age. Venture patrols require two adults over the age of 21. Co-ed crews require co-ed leadership. A Council Leader Selection Committee will select the council's 2017 NSJ leadership. All leaders are expected to recruit youth to fill our troops and crews. **Please submit an application no later than September 30, 2015.**

Jamboree Leaders: Hank Swindle, 2017 NSJ Great Smoky Mountain Council Chairman  
Bruce Van Cleve, 2017 NSJ Great Smoky Mountain Council Staff Advisor

## **YOUTH PARTICIPANTS**

### SCOUT PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS

- Scouts and team members **MUST** have a current BSA membership with a Boy Scout troop or Varsity Scout team.
- **MUST** be at least a First Class Scout.
- **MUST** be at least 12 years of age by the first day of the Jamboree or an 11 year old that has graduated the 6th grade, but has not reached their 18th birthday by the last day of the Jamboree.
- Be approved by the unit leader and local council.
- **MUST** have appropriate parent/guardian to complete the online parental consent. (An email will be sent to the parent/guardian during the application process.)
- Participate in pre-Jamboree training experience with local council and unit leader.
- Filed a BSA Health & Medical Record with their council within one year of attending the Jamboree.
- Submit all registrations fees per the local council's payment schedule.

### VENTURING PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS

- Crew members **MUST** have a current BSA membership with a Venturing crew.
- Be approved by the unit leader and local council.
- **MUST** have appropriate parent/guardian to complete the online parental consent. (An email will be sent to the parent/guardian during the application process.)
- Participate in pre-Jamboree training experience with local council and unit leader.
- Filed a BSA Health & Medical Record with their council within one year of attending the Jamboree.
- Submit all registrations fees per the local council's payment schedule.

## **ADULT PARTICIPANTS**

### SCOUTMASTER QUALIFICATIONS

All Jamboree Scoutmasters, First, Second, and Third Scoutmasters **MUST** meet the following requirements:

- **MUST** have a current BSA membership with a Boy Scout troop or Varsity team.
- Scoutmasters and First Assistant Scoutmasters **MUST** be at least 21 years of age by the first day of the Jamboree.

- Second Assistant Scoutmasters **MUST** be at least 18 years of age by the first day of the Jamboree.
- Third Assistant Scoutmasters **MUST** be at least 18 years of age by the first day of the Jamboree but not yet 21 years of age by the last day of the Jamboree.
- Be approved by the local council.
- Scoutmaster applicants **MUST** be currently serving as a Scoutmaster or Varsity Scout Coach.
- First, Second or Third Assistant Scoutmasters **MUST** currently be serving in any adult troop or team leadership position.
- Scoutmaster applicants **MUST** have completed Scoutmaster or Varsity Scout Couch leader specific training.
- All adult leaders **MUST** complete Youth Protection Training within one year of the last day of the Jamboree.
- Meet the medical and BMI requirements of the Jamboree.
- Participate and assist in planning the pre-Jamboree training experience with local council.
- Filed a BSA Health & Medical Record with their council within one year of attending the Jamboree.
- Submit all registrations fees per the local council's payment schedule.

### VENTURING ADVISOR QUALIFICATIONS

Venturing Advisors **MUST** meet the following requirements:

- **MUST** have a current BSA membership with a Venturing crew.
- Be actively serving as a Crew Advisor or Associate Advisor.
- Be at least 21 years of age by the first day of the Jamboree.
- Be approved by the local council.
- Completed Venturing Leader specific training.
- All adult leaders **MUST** complete Youth Protection Training within one year of the last day of the Jamboree.
- Meet the medical and BMI requirements of the Jamboree.
- Participate and assist in planning the pre-Jamboree training experience with local council.
- Filed a BSA Health & Medical Record with their council within one year of attending the Jamboree.
- Submit all registrations fees per the local council's payment schedule

### STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

See [bsajamboree.org](http://bsajamboree.org)