

Day Camp Details – Announced 3/22/09:

If you are interested in your child(ren) attending Cub Scout Day Camp this year, please read the following message in its entirety. It is time sensitive. Day Camp is a great time for the kids, and I hope we get a good turn out!

This year's Cub Scout Day Camp will be July 20-22 at Multi Lakes Conservation Association (3860 Newton Road, Commerce Township, MI, 48382. Registration begins on 3/18, and a substantial discount is available until 5/1. Here are the details:

Who can attend: Scouts who are registered members of Pack 239 can attend with our group. (Kids from other packs will be there too). Boys who will be in first grade for the 2009/2010 school year and wish to attend day camp may pay the annual scout registration fee and join the pack early as Tiger cubs and attend day camp, but a parent or guardian must be in camp with each new Tiger. (Boys who are Tigers currently will be considered Wolf scouts for purposes of Day Camp). There is also a program for scout siblings aged 2 to 10. Toddlers must be potty trained, and a parent or guardian must attend camp with siblings. The sibling program does not provide the same activities as the scouts participate in.

Dates & Times: Day camp is July 20, 21, and 22. Camp starts at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. each day, though start and end times can be affected by weather.

Activities: It's an all outdoor camp where kids will do a variety of activities each day. Past activities have included games, crafts, bb-shooting, archery, fishing, beach, etc. BB and Archery ranges are professionally managed with a very heavy emphasis on safety, and kids who attend all 3 days usually earn BB and Archery loops and pins, weather permitting.

Food: Kids will bring a sack lunch each day, and should bring drinks, snacks, etc. No food is served at camp.

Registration & Cost: Registration forms and health forms must be turned in to Nahed DeLibero on or before May 1st 2009 in order to get the discounted price of \$60 per scout. After that date, the cost is \$75 per scout. The pack will pay \$20 per scout toward Day Camp. They will take registrations right up until camp starts, as long as the venue is not full. You need to complete the scout registration form, pages 1 and 2 of the youth health history form, and if a parent or guardian is attending, which is required for all siblings and new (Sept. 2010) Tigers, the adult health history form. Health forms have not yet been posted on the council web site, but instructions will be forwarded when they are posted, and copies will be on the Pack web site (http://pack239novi.tripod.com/pack_main.htm) in the lower left margin.

Refunds: There is a process for making a written request for a refund after 5/1, but the circumstances under which a refund can be obtained are severely limited. Basically, an illness with a doctor's note is the only reason for a refund, with limited other exceptions such as death in the family, etc. One reason that will not be accepted is family vacation, so don't sign up until you're sure you can attend, even if it means paying the higher fee.

Chaperones: You don't have to attend day camp with your child unless they are a new Tiger or a sibling, but we need a few adults to attend each day. There is a minimum ratio of 1 adult per 5 scouts for our camp. Please let us know when you register if you can attend for any of the days, or even a half day. If you will be attending, you have to fill out the adult health form. If you are not sure if you can attend, you can also "drop in", but when you get to camp, you have to sign in and complete a health form. Nobody is allowed to set foot in camp without a health form on file.

Logistics: There will be a map and directions on the pack web site (http://pack239novi.tripod.com/pack_main.htm). You can drop off and pick up your own child at camp, or make arrangements to car pool with other families. Let Nahed DeLibero know if you need help finding out who else is attending. It is about a 20 minute drive to Multi Lakes from Novi. Note: There is space on the second page of the health history forms that asks for emergency contacts, and designation of who your child can leave camp with. If you need to add any names to that list on the first day of camp, you can. For now, do the best you can to guess who your child might ride with, or who might pick him up.

More Information: We will provide a list of what to bring to camp and who is attending for those who register. Please plan to chaperone for at least a half-day or a day if you can, but don't leave your son out if you can't. We will get enough chaperones.

Please turn your forms in early - if we get enough forms early, we will register some of our group prior to the 5/1 deadline. We are not guaranteed space, and this session may fill up, so please get your forms in as soon as you decide you would like to attend.

Contact: The day camp coordinator is Nahed DeLibero - 349-1198, ndelibero@wanemail.com. You can also contact Bryan Hood with questions.

Turn in your forms and money directly to Nahed or to your den leader. If you'd like to drop your forms and payment in the mail, please send Nahed a note and she will provide her address.