# Parent Guide to Haunted Forest



# Come join us for fun at Camp Tonkawa.

Camp Tonkawa is located at 4117 FM 89, Tuscola, Texas.

# For your information

**COVID-19** All adults must complete the Covid-19 form (attached in this parents' guide) your children may be listed on one of the parent's form. It must be completed and ready to turn in as you enter camp and before you exit your vehicle Temperatures will be taken at this time. It is optional for everyone to wear a face mask.

**Registration for the Haunted Forest** can be done on-line by going to <u>www.texastrailsbsa.org</u> and clicking on the Haunted Forest button. If you want to register as a unit please contact Cindy Webb at <u>ciwebb@bsamail.org</u> or 325-677-2688 and we will discuss your options.

**Friday evening** you will be allowed to set up your camp site starting at 5:30 pm. There will be someone available to direct you to your assigned campsite. There will be NO campsite setup permitted after 9:30 pm on Friday night, and no one will be allowed to enter Camp Tonkawa after 10:00 pm. *Please be respectful of small children trying to go to sleep.* 

**Check in** will be at the Dining Hall on Friday from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and resume on Saturday from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Mabee Training Center. This is where you will pick up your schedule, map, arm bands and event patch you will not be allowed to participate unless you are wearing an armband. Anyone attending Haunted Forest must have a signed hold harmless agreement (attached in this parents' guide), this must be turned in at check in. All adults must sign an agreement. Children can be listed on one of their parents hold harmless agreements.

**Trading Post and Snack bar** will be open Friday evening from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. They will be selling Hamburgers and Cheeseburgers on Friday night. There will be snacks to purchase such as popcorn, candy, nachos, and drinks. It will also be open throughout Saturday and Sunday morning.

**Meals** will not be provided for Friday evening. Breakfast, Lunch, & Supper Saturday will be provided. Breakfast Sunday will be a simple continental breakfast that the Pack can pick up at the dining hall and eaten in your campsite.

**Friday Night Food** the Trading Post is offering 1 Hamburgers or 1 Cheeseburger with chips for \$3.00, will be available Friday evening from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

A Haunted Forest T-shirt is available for purchase. It comes in Youth sizes extra small to Large and Adult sizes Small to 4X. Cost of \$13.00 for Youth t-shirts extra small - Adult X-large and \$16.00 for Adult sizes 2X – 4X. This is a preorder item and the request must be submitted by Noon on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Only a very few will be available for purchase in the Trading Post.

**Footwear**, no open toed shoes are to be worn anywhere on camp other than the shower room.

## Cost:

- \$20.00 per Participant if paid by October 8<sup>th</sup>.
- \$90.00 Per Families of 5 or more if paid by October 8<sup>th</sup>.
- After October 8<sup>th</sup> \$25.00 per Camper (participant).
- After October 8<sup>th</sup> \$120.00 Per Families of 5 or more.
- If Registering the day of the event cost is \$30.00 per person.
- Children under the age of 5 are free.

# \*Haunted Forest Schedule 2020 \*

#### **FRIDAY**

5:30 pm to 9:30 - Campsite set up 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm - Check In 9:00 pm - Campfire Ceremony

#### **SATURDAY**

Breakfast 7:00am – 7:45 am Flag ceremony - 8:00 am Rotating morning activities - 8:15 am – 11:15 am Lunch is between - 11:35 am– 12:05 pm Rotating afternoon activities - 12:30 pm – 5:20 pm Dinner - 5:50 pm – 6:20 pm Midway & Evening activities - 6:45 pm – 10:30 pm

#### <u>Sunday</u>

Breakfast 8:00 am 8:30 am Flag ceremony 9:30 Scouts Service (Chapel Service) 10:30 Clean up Campsites 11:00 Departure

### \*Tentative Schedule Subject to Change

# Fun extras.

#### Pumpkin decorating contest:

We are having a pumpkin decoration contest. Bring your already decorated pumpkin to the Health Lodge porch with your Scouts name and Pack number attached to the pumpkin the winners will be announced Sunday morning.

#### **Best Costume Contest:**

We are having a Costume Contest for the Best Costume from a Cub Scouts and Leaders. The Judging will be done Saturday night at the Hayride Starting point. Remember the theme this year is Weird Science. The winners will be announced Sunday morning.

#### **Campsite decorating contest:**

We also have a decorate your campsite contest. Get with the other families in your Pack and decorate. Remember the theme this year is Weird Science. The winning campsite will be announced Sunday morning.

#### Pack with most spirit:

Be the Pack with the most spirit, create a cheer and sing out throughout camp show your Scout spirit.

# Items you will need or may want for your camping experience:

Tent (and stakes) Towels Hammer or Axe Rain gear Ground Cloth/tarp Jackets Dustpan & brush and or broom Hats Sleeping bags. Sunscreen Sleeping pads. Small day pack Pillow Medications Headlamps or flashlights (and extra batteries) Bug spray Lantern [and mantles and fuel/batteries if needed (NO Liquid Fuel is allowed)] Disinfectant wipes Camp chairs. Camp table Hand sanitizer Change of clothes Face masks Extra pair of shoes Sleep wear Personal hygiene products (showers are available) Shower shoes Small first aid kit (health lodge will be open if needed)

# **RULES FOR SAFETY & CONDUCT**

#### CAMP TONKAWA, TEXAS TRAILS COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

- Speed limit is 5 MPH on ALL camp roads for Safety.
- You will have 15 minutes after you check-in to unload your Vehicle!
- Please Park only in designated areas on Northside. No parking of personal vehicles in camping areas.
- No passengers can ride in the bed of a pick-up truck!
- DO NOT LITTER. Please dispose of trash properly.
- Bag all trash Do not stack loose rubbish on top of the bin.
- Charcoal Fires Only! (Taylor County Texas is under a Fire Burn Ban.)
- Do not place charcoal embers into the trash bins. Use appropriate means to extinguish fires.
- Swimming pool area is OFF-LIMITS!
- COPE area is OFF-LIMITS!
- Camp Tonkawa Climbing Tower is OFF-LIMITS!
- Gas Power Generators of any kind are NOT permitted in Campsites
- Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is NOT permitted in or on Camp Property! (Not allowed in your Car)
- Possession or consumption of illegal drugs is NOT permitted!
- Fireworks, Personal Firearms and Pets are NOT permitted!
- CAMP TONKAWA IS A TOBACCO FREE PROPERTY. TOBACCO PRODUCTS OF ANY KIND ARE NOT PERMITTED ON CAMP PROPERTY (CIGARETTES, CIGARS, VAPING DEVICES). THE SMOKING OR VAPING AREA IS LOCATED IN THE NORTHSIDE PARKING LOT BY YOUR PERSONAL
  VEHICLE. BE COURTEOUS TO YOUR FELLOW SCOUTS! IF YOU ARE SEEN USING ANY TYPE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS YOU WILL BE ASKED TO STOP RIGHT THEN AND TOLD WHERE YOU ARE ALLOWED TO USE THOSE PRODUCTS.

Texas Trails Council, BSA 3811 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street Abilene, Texas 79603 325-677-2688

#### **RELEASE AND INDEMNITY/HOLD-HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

I understand the use of facilities owned by Texas Trails Council, BSA involves a certain degree of risk that could result in injury or death. In consideration of the benefits to be derived and after carefully considering the risk involved and in view of the fact that the Boy Scouts of America is a not-for-profit organization:

#### **RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION**

I hereby release and waive any and all claims that I may have against Boy Scouts of America Texas Trails Council, BSA and their employees, agents, representatives, or volunteers arising from use of their facilities. I AGREE TO FULLY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, TEXAS TRAILS COUNCIL, BSA, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, AND VOLUNTEERS FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS ARISING FROM USE OF THERIR FACILITIES. THIS INDMNIFICATION EXPRESSLY INCLUDES ANY CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, TEXAS TRAILS COUNCIL, BSA'S OWN NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OR THAT OF THEIR EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, OR VOLUNTEERS. I AGREE THAT THE INDEMNIFICATION INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF THE CLAIMS, THE EXPENSES OF DEFENDING AGAINST THE CLAIMS, COURT COSTS, AND ATTORNEYS' FEES.

Adult Printed Name	Date
Signature (if over 18 years of age)	Telephone number
List of your dependent children under 18 years of age.	
First and Last Name of Dependent Child	Relationship

#### COVID-19 "At-Risk" Camp Participant Statement

Your safety and the safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is Texas Trail Council's top priority. While there is still much uncertainty regarding COVID-19, we are monitoring the information provided by health experts and government agencies to help keep safe those who choose to come to camp this summer.

First, our council health supervisor, Dr. Rance Boren, in coordination with state and local health department and CDC, to ensure we are informed of and comply with their guidance to mitigate the risks COVID-19 being contracted at camp.

Our mitigation plan includes:

- Pre-attendance education,
- Health screening conducted by your unit prior to travel to our camp, including a temperature check.
- Health screening upon your arrival at camp conducted by our camp health officers, which will also include temperature check.
  - Note: Should anyone in the unit not pass the arrival screening, the entire unit will not be allowed to enter camp.
- Limitation on visitors in camp.
  - All visitors will be screen upon arrival before entry to camp.
- Hygiene reminders while at camp.
- Extra handwashing/sanitizer stations throughout camp.
- Dedicated staff to clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared program equipment.
- An emergency response plan that includes an isolation and quarantine protocol should a person at camp develop symptoms of COVID-19 or other communicable disease.
- Check-ins with each unit one week and two weeks after the unit leaves camp to determine if any participants have developed symptoms.

These precautions are important, but these efforts cannot eliminate the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp. Experts have said that people with COVID-19 may show no signs or symptoms of illness, but can still spread the virus, and people may be contagious before their symptoms occur the fact is that someone with COVID-19 may pass the required health screenings and be allowed into camp.

We also know the very nature of camp makes social distancing difficult in many situations and impossible in others.

Information from the <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)</u> states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. <u>If you are in this</u> group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider prior to attending camp.

Every staff member, volunteer, and Scouting family has to evaluate their unique circumstances and make an informed decision before attending camp. We hope this information will be helpful as you make that choice.

#### **Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist**

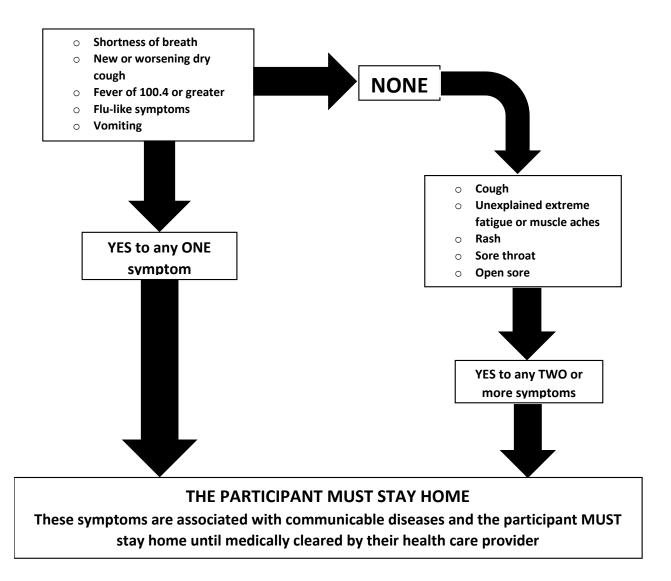
- () Yes () No Have you been in contact with anyone who has COVID-19 or is otherwise sick?
- () Yes () No Have you or anyone you have been in close contact with traveled on a cruise ship, internationally, or to an area with known communicable disease outbreak in the last 14 days?

#### If the answer is "yes" to either of these questions, the participant must stay home.

() Yes () No Are you in a higher-risk category as defined by the CDC guidelines?

If the answer is "yes" to this question, we recommend that you stay home. Should you choose to participate, you must have approval from you healthcare provider and then proceed to the symptom decision tree below

#### If the above answers are "no", proceed to this symptom decision tree.



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#### Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

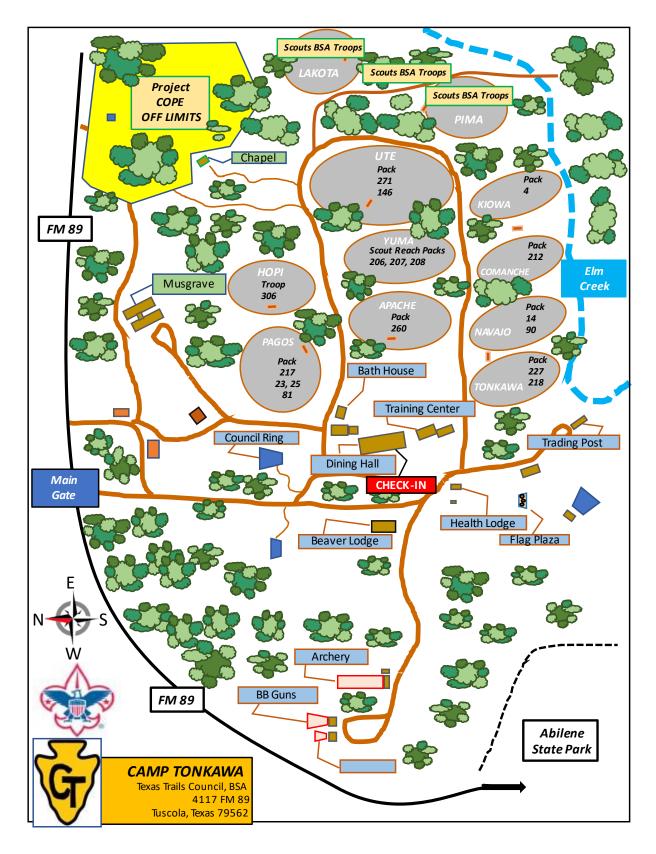
The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local

governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing, the wearing of cloth face coverings, and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. The Boy Scouts of America, Texas Trails Council ("TTC") has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, TTC cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending the TTC's properties, including Camp Billy Gibbons and Camp Tonkawa, could increase your risk and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending TTC properties and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at TTC properties may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, TTC employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families. I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)'s attendance at an TTC property or participation in TTC programming ("Claims"). On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the Boy Scouts of America, Texas Trails Council, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the TTC, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any TTC program.

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## Map of Camp Tonkawa



A updated map will be provided in your check in packet.