

# Order of the Arrow: *Prism* *Participant Guide*



## James C. Justice National Scout Camp



# Welcome Letter

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Dear Arrowman,

Congratulations on your selection as a participant for the 2016 Prism experience!

We are excited to share life-changing experiences with you at the Summit Bechtel Reserve this summer. You will have access to all of the adventures the Scott Summit Center provides; these include rock climbing, zip-lining, boating, biking and so much more! During your stay you will also give back to the SBR through a service project along with fellow Arrowmen from around the country. The service project that you assist with will leave a mark on the SBR and Scouting for generations to come. Be proud of this!

The defining experience of Prism will be the inaugural rededication ceremony at the newly constructed Summit Circle. The ceremony will provide you with a glimpse of what the future holds for the OA and how you can impact the direction it takes. As you ponder your role, you will be surrounded by remnants of Treasure Island Scout Reservation's original ceremony circle where Dr. Goodman once stood, as well as a commemoration of our legacy lodge rocks, granting you a chance to reflect on our past. As a Prism participant, you will be one of the first Arrowmen to experience the new national ceremonial grounds and serve as a guide into a new century of brotherhood, cheerfulness and service.

As we all prepare for this summer, it is important that you stay on top of important action items, including your medical form, travel arrangements and other time sensitive requirements. Most of all, however, you should be gearing up for three amazing days at the Summit Bechtel Reserve where you will meet new friends, serve others cheerfully and rediscover the true meaning of the OA. We urge you to share your experience and to continue promoting Prism in your lodge and section by utilizing the #OAPrism hashtag on social media networks.

Prepare yourself for a program that will give you a new perspective on the OA. Just as light passes through a prism and transforms into a full spectrum of light, you too will transform and experience the full spectrum of the Order of the Arrow at Prism.

See you there!

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# Preparing For Prism

## Participant Eligibility

### Fitness Level

Prism participants must be in good physical shape. Though the National Scout Camp uses venues located within Scott Summit Center (an area relatively compact compared to the rest of The Summit), Scouts and leaders should still expect to hike several miles per day. Additionally, many activities in the Scott Summit Center require exertion well above that which a typical person might experience during a day. This includes periods of intense effort, reaching, bending, stretching, twisting, and other exertions consistent with adventure sports. For this reason each participant should be cleared by their physician for participation in these adventure activities. Some activities may have specific physical restrictions. The medical staff at the Summit Bechtel Reserve may place activity restrictions on participants if medical conditions warrant it.

### Activity Restrictions

#### Aerial sports

Aerial sports activities require participants to weigh between 50 and 250 lbs (zip-lines, canopy tours, challenge courses, etc.). This is due to safety restrictions put in place by the course builders and engineers. **Absolutely no exceptions will be made.**

#### Aquatics

All Prism Participants will need to bring their swim classification to participate in any aquatic activities. Swim Checks are only provided on a case-by-case basis. Please provide the “Unit Swim Classification Record” form from the link below to participate in aquatic activities.

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/Outdoor%20Program/Aquatics/pdf/430-122.pdf>

***Non-swimmers or beginners will have limited or no access to aquatic activities.***

## Getting to The Summit Bechtel Reserve

### Driving Directions

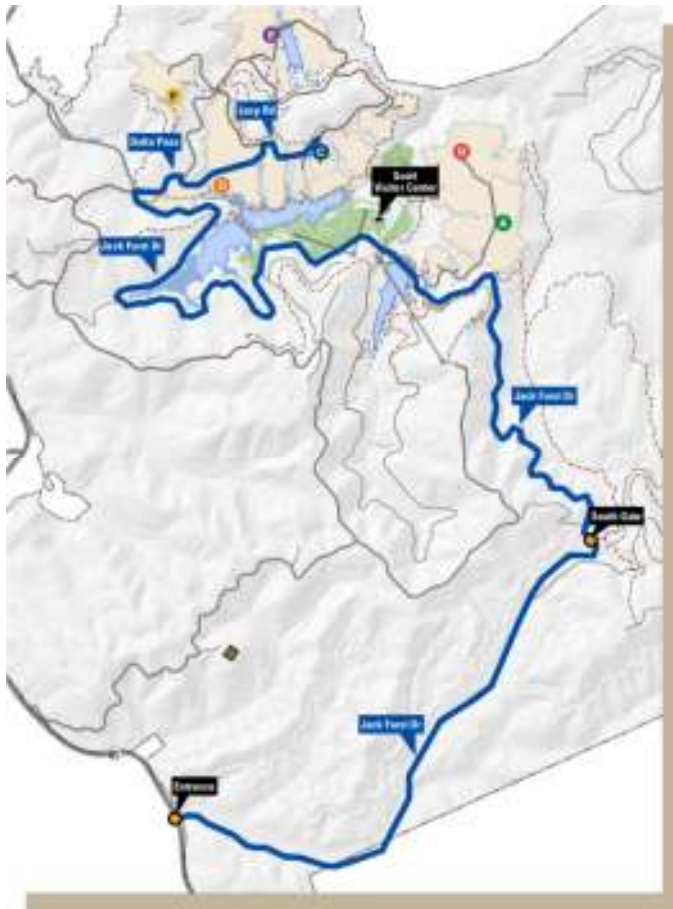
Units participating in program at The Summit will enter through the main South Gate near Mount Hope, West Virginia. To arrive at this gate, follow signs for “Summit Bechtel Reserve” by exiting highway 19 at the North Beckley exit and turning northwest toward Bradley on highway 16. Follow highway 16 for approximately 4 miles (through the town of Bradley). The highway will then veer right and travel around the outskirts of Mount Hope. Turn right onto highway 61. Follow highway 61 for approximately 2 miles. The Summit entrance will be on your left. Follow Jack Furst Drive through the Summit Property until you are greeted by staff at the South Gate (approximately 3 miles).

When making transportation plans and choosing an arrival time, keep in mind that it is approximately 10 miles from the South Gate to the James C. Justice National Scout Camp (20-30 minutes driving time on gravel roads at 20 mph).

***If you are using GPS software, take care as it may take you to the incorrect gate (North utility entrance near Glen Jean, WV). If this is the case, we recommend following the above written instructions.***







### South Gate GPS Coordinates

37°53'37"N 81° 6'15"W

### Address

The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve  
2550 Jack Furst Drive  
Glen Jean, WV 25846

### Check-In Procedures

Once you arrive at the gate they will be greeted by a Summit staff member and/or security personnel. This staff member will direct your drivers north from the Main Gate to the Scott Visitor Center (2.5 miles on Jack Furst Drive) where the check-in process will begin.

Upon arrival you will be greeted by the Prism Staff. The staff personnel will work with you throughout the check-in process where you will be asked to present the required paperwork and tie up any loose ends. Following medical reviews and paperwork, the Prism staff will direct you to your campsite and parking in the James C. Justice National Scout Camp (4.3 miles from the Scott Visitor Center). There you will begin unloading and making yourself at home. The Prism staff will meet at the flagpole for a walking site tour before dinner.

### Required Paperwork

- Complete *Annual Health & Medical Record*
  - Including parts A,B & copy of insurance card
- Complete **Original Summit Waiver** (separate from health forms, in roster order)\*
  - <http://www.summitbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Summit-Waiver.pdf>
- Proof of Youth Protection Training for each participant over 18 years old

\*Will not be returned (make extra copies if needed)

### Medical Re-Checks

Each participant (both youth and adult) will be required to sit down with a member of the Medical Staff for a medical re-check. In this sitting, they will briefly look over the health form and identify any medical issues of concern, including issues that may have arisen since the form was filled out. *Medical staff may place restrictions on the activities a participant may partake in if a medical condition warrants it.*

### Check-Out Procedures

The Prism Check Out process is very simple. A Prism Participant should stop by Guest Services on the morning of their departure (or the day before if they plan to depart before 8 am). The process will include a short list of things:

1. Any unpaid fees or credits will need to be reconciled
2. Each Prism Participant will be asked to fill out a digital or hard copy feedback form

Annual Health & Medical Records will be shredded upon departure. Be sure to provide copies.

# Transportation Information

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The Summit Bechtel Reserve is pleased to host the Order of the Arrow Prism event and to welcome you to beautiful southern West Virginia. To make your trip to the Summit as pleasant as possible, please review the following regarding transportation arrangements.

## Arrival Card Information

In late April or early May, you will receive an email with a link to the Arrival Card online form. On this form, we will ask you to provide us details about your trip to the Summit, including mode of transportation to West Virginia (air, train, bus, or personal vehicle). This allows us to ensure that we are prepared to receive you when you arrive.

If traveling by air, please be prepared to include your airline, flight numbers, and flight times.

## Shuttle Service

Shuttle service to the Summit will be available from Charleston Yeager Airport and Prince Amtrak Station. Information about shuttle times and reservations will be sent via email to those who indicate the need for shuttle service on their arrival card.

## Making Travel Plans

### Air Travel

Yeager Airport (CRW) in Charleston, WV is the closest airport (about 1 hour) with service from multiple major airlines (Delta, United, and American). Shuttle service will be available between Yeager Airport and the Summit. Shuttle info will be available with the completion of your arrival card.

When making air reservations to Yeager Airport, we **suggest** arriving no later than 4:00 p.m. on the day your session begins and departing no earlier than 8:00 a.m. on the final day.

Other airports in the region include Charlotte, NC (3 hours) and Pittsburgh, PA (3.5 hours). However, there will be no pre-arranged shuttle service from these airports.

### Train Travel

The Amtrak Cardinal Line (New York to Chicago) stops at the Prince, WV station. The line does not operate daily in both direction, so please verify that its direction of travel coincides with your needs. Some groups may need to arrive a little early or depart a little late depending on direction of travel. Shuttle service info will be available from the Prince Station with the completion of your arrival card.

### Vehicle Rental

While the Summit does not endorse particular companies, be aware that Enterprise Rent-a-Car has a satellite office located at the Summit property. This allows groups to rent a car or van in their local area or at an airport with an Enterprise concession, travel to the Summit, turn it in at the Summit during your stay, and then, pick up the vehicle at the time of departure. Some groups have found this service helpful and more economical. For reservations or more info about this opportunity, we suggest calling the Enterprise location in Beckley, WV at 304-252-1227.

# Prism Schedule

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## Day One (Sunday/Wednesday)

6:00 PM	Arrive to Summit Bechtel Reserve*
7:00 PM	Orientation
8:30 PM	Program Session One
9:00 PM	Program Session Two
9:20 PM	Cracker-barrel
10:00 PM	Taps

## Day Two (Monday/Thursday)

6:00 AM	Reveille
7:00 AM	Breakfast
8:00 AM	Flags and Daily Program Briefing
9:00 AM	Program Opens/Service Project Begins
12:00 PM	Lunch
12:30 PM	Program Session Three (A)
1:00 PM	Program Opens
4:30 PM	Program Ends and Return to Campsite
6:00 PM	Dinner
7:00 PM	Flags and Evening Program Opens
9:00 PM	Evening Program Closes
9:00 PM	Program Session Four
10:00 PM	Taps

## Day Three (Tuesday/Friday)

6:00 AM	Reveille
7:00 AM	Breakfast
8:00 AM	Flags and Daily Program Briefing
9:00 AM	Program Opens/Service Project Begins
12:00 PM	Lunch
12:30 PM	Program Session Three (B)
1:00 PM	Program Opens
4:30 PM	Program Ends and Return to Campsite
6:00 PM	Dinner
7:00 PM	Program Session Five
7:45 PM	Travel to Summit Circle
8:15 PM	Summit Circle Ceremony Begins
10:00 PM	Travel back to Campsite
11:00 PM	Taps

## Day Four (Wednesday/Saturday)

7:00 AM	Reveille
8:00 AM	Breakfast
9:00 AM	Flags and Closing Gathering
10:00 AM	Departure

### **\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- Plan to eat dinner prior to arriving on Day One; if this is a problem a sack dinner can be purchased for a small fee.
- Attendees will only participate in a service project on one day; due to the event size, attendees will be split into two groups.
- All times are subject to change

# Camp Life

## Campsite Amenities

Prism Participants will be camping in the Paul R. Christen National High Adventure Base. All participants will be camping in the same sub camp with the following amenities provided by The Summit:

- Tents w/ screens (2 participants to a tent)
- Cots
- Ambient temperature showers
- Flush toilets (which reuse shower gray water)
- Sinks with mirrors
- Wi-Fi



## Camp Staff

The Justice Scout Camp and Summit Bechtel Reserve staff is composed of highly dedicated young men and women who are committed to creating an exemplary Scouting experience for you. These quality adult instructors are passionate about their area of expertise and have dedicated themselves to safely sharing this passion with the participants who come through their areas.

Additionally, the Administrative Staff is comprised of individuals with significant professional Scouting, outdoor industry, and/or camp administration experience. Rest assured, your youth are in good hands!

If you or anyone in your unit is interested in becoming a part of this elite team, please contact any member of The Summit administrative team, or look for the online application at [www.summitbsa.org/jobs](http://www.summitbsa.org/jobs).

## Prism Staff

The Prism Staff is an elite team of Arrowmen who are dedicated to creating the best experience for all participants in Prism. This staff will be in direct contact with all participants throughout the OA programs, service projects, and the Summit Circle Ceremony.

## Food Service

Food at the Justice Scout Camp is provided in the Summit Dining Hall by an outside vendor. This dining hall is located in Summit Center near the Scott Visitor Center (about a 10 minute walk from the Justice Scout Camp). Two hot meals are served a day (breakfast & dinner) with a shelf stable lunch being picked up by campers at breakfast. Most meals are eaten alongside participants in the National High Adventure Base and National Training Center (a great opportunity to socialize with Scouts from all over the country!).

If you have any special dietary restrictions or significant food allergies please send a detailed description to [summit.program@scouting.org](mailto:summit.program@scouting.org) at least two weeks prior to your arrival. **Be sure to include your name, that you are participating in Prism and arrival/departure dates.** Please keep in mind that the Summit Dining hall is not always able to make accommodations for every type of restricted diet. Sometimes it is best for people with severe allergies or strict diets (i.e.-vegan, gluten-free, etc.) to bring their own supplemental food to be stored in the dining hall. If you have any questions please contact The Summit well ahead of you arrival date.



## Uniforms and Clothing

Uniforming is one of the time-tested methods to deliver the Aims of Scouting and therefore has a prominent place at the Justice National Scout Camp. Field (“class A”) uniforms and OA sashes will be strongly encouraged for travel, opening/closing flag ceremonies, religious services, flag retirement, and opening/closing campfires. During the week, field uniforms will not be required at flag raising or lowering due to the nature of the activities scouts will be taking part in during the day.

Clothing worn during the week should be comfortable and flexible for an array of activities from skateboarding to rock climbing, to rifle shooting. Comfortable shoes for hiking on gravel trails are essential. In addition, campers planning to participate in mountain biking, BMX, or skateboarding should bring skate shoes, or at the very least, tennis shoes, as hiking boots are inappropriate for those activities and can lead to injuries. *Any clothing worn by participants should not deter from the Scouting ideals.*

## Technology

Unlike many other scout camps, technology use is encouraged at the James C. Justice National Scout Camp. Scouts are encouraged to appropriately document and share their experiences during their stay. Please feel free to use the following tags on post before, during and after your stay!

Facebook: The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve

Twitter & Instagram: @oabsa, @BechtelSummit

Hashtags: #OAPrism, #NationalScoutCamp, #JusticeScoutCamp, #SBR

Snapchat: oa-bsa

## Waste Management & Recycling

The Summit strives to be as sustainable in its practices as possible. For us to continue this effort, we will need your unit’s help. Please take advantage of the recycling that is available in rural West Virginia by separating plastic bottles, aluminum, and paper/cardboard so that it may be repurposed in the future. Throughout the property you will find trash cans and recycling bins. Please ensure that all waste makes it into these bins and lead by example by picking up any trash you may find around the site.

## Prism Packing List

The following is a thorough packing list for each participant participating in week long program at the James C. Justice National Scout Camp. Items marked with an asterisk (\*) will be available on site at the 47 Degree North Outfitters (Trading Post). ***All items should be labeled with the participant’s name and troop number.*** *Italicized* items are optional.

### Paperwork & Resources

It is imperative that every participant arrives at camp with the required documents below either in hand, or in the hand of their leadership.

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Annual Health &amp; Medical Record</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Summit Risk Acknowledgement</u>	1	Original signature copy
<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of Youth Protection Training		Notes, workbooks, certifications, etc
<input type="checkbox"/> Spending Money or <u>BSA Gift Card*</u>	\$60+	For supplies, snacks & souvenirs
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Small Note Pad &amp; Pen/Pencil*</i>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Reading Book*</i>	1	

### Clothing

Weather at The Summit Bechtel Reserve varies greatly. Highs average in the low 80s, but can reach over 95°. Lows average in the 50s but can get as low as 34°. Short afternoon thunderstorms are a frequent

occurrence, as are dry days with little to no cloud cover and a hot sun. Click [here](#) for more information and please pack accordingly. All activity clothing (including socks, underwear, pants, shirts, etc) should be wool or synthetic. Cotton holds moisture, does not retain heat when wet, and can cause blisters/chafing.

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|---|----------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Complete BSA Field Uniform</u>                | 1        |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OA Sash  | 1        |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underwear  | 3-5 sets |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Base Layer or Short Sleeved Shirts               | 3-5      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Long Sleeve Shirt*                               | 1-2      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts*  | 2-3 pair | Durable for hiking and action sports          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Long Pants*                                      | 1-2 pair | Jeans strongly discouraged)                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insulating Layer*                                | 1        | Sweater, fleece, or puffy jacket              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof Shell* or <u>Foul-Weather Gear</u>    | 1        | Jacket & pants preferred (Poncho discouraged) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swimsuit   | 1        |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Baseball Cap*</u> or <u>Wide-Brimmed Hat*</u> | 1        | For sun protection                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping clothes                                 | 1 pair   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking Socks*                                    | 3-5 pair |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Bandana/handkerchief*</i>                     | 1        |   |

### Footwear

Footwear is an essential part of a comfortable experience at The Summit. Participants should prepare for a lot of hiking. All footwear should be well broken in before arrival.

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|---|--------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking Shoes                                 | 1 pair | Boots or approach Shoes                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skate or tennis shoes                        | 1 pair | For skateboarding, MTB & BMX             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Closed-toe</b> shoes for water activities | 1 pair | old sneakers, water shoes, sandals, etc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Comfortable camp shoes or sandals</i>     | 1 pair | <i>To relax in camp-site</i>             |

### Equipment/Supplies

The following equipment is recommended for each individual participant to bring to ensure a safe, comfortable time at The Summit Bechtel Reserve.

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|--|--------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Personal Medication</b>                        |        | <b>Must be on health form</b>               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Day Pack*</u>                                  | 1      | 10-25 liter (for water, lunch, shoes, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dirty Laundry <u>Bag*</u>                         | 1      | 10-25 liter                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Toiletries*                              |        |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shower/Toiletry Bag                               | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Camp Towel &amp; Washcloth</u>                 | 1      | Quick-dry is best                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soap & shampoo                                    | 1      | Liquid is best                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb/hairbrush                                    | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Toothbrush</u>                                 | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste  | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Foot powder</i>                                | 1      | <i>To prevent chafing, itching, etc</i>     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Insect Repellant*</u>                          | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lip Balm*   | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Sun Screen*</u>                                | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses*                                       | 1 pair |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Headlamp*</u> or <u>flashlight*</u>            | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Pocket Knife*</u> or <u>Multitool*</u>         | 1      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Watch   | 1      | Durable and waterproof is best              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Water Bottle*</u> or <u>Hydration Bladder*</u> | 1-2    | Wide-mouthed is best                        |

<input type="checkbox"/> 2-3 Season <u>Sleeping Bag</u>	1	30 degree or lower best
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Small Pillow*</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Sleeping Pad</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Mug* or Thermos*</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Mobile Device</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Camera</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Fishing Pole &amp; Small Tackle Box*</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Small Musical Instrument</u>	1	<i>Harmonica, Ukulele, etc.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Charging Device*</u>	1	<i>Recharger, solar charger, etc</i>

### Electronics

The use of electronics is not discouraged in camp. The Justice Scout Camp is almost entirely covered with Wi-Fi access. Pictures and videos that document the experience at The Summit are encouraged, however review by adult leaders is recommended. All electronics should be secured when unattended.

The following is a list of items are optional for each person to bring.

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Personal First Aid Kit*</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Religious Text or Prayer Book*</u>	1-2	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Sewing Kit*</u>	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Duct Tape*</u>	1 Roll	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Small Mallet or Hammer*</u>		<i>For resetting stakes</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Other Musical Instruments</u>		<i>For campfires &amp; evening entertainment</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Clothes Pins*</u>		<i>For drying towels &amp; swimsuits</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Work Gloves</u>		<i>For service projects</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Solar Shower Bags*</u>		<i>To augment ambient temperature</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Lockbox</u>		<i>For storage of electronics/valuables</i>

## Provided by Camp

### Campsite

- 2-Person Dome Tents
- Folding Cots
- Dining Flies
- Picnic Tables
- Small, Above-ground Fire Bowl
- Potable Water (back of shower houses)
- AT&T Wi-Fi Connectivity

### Shower House

- Flush Toilets & Urinals
- Shared Sink
- Mirrors
- Pull-chain Ambient Temperature Showers (select have solar water heaters)

# Program

## Program Areas

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### Boulder Cove

Boulder Cove is Summit Center's climbing rappelling and bouldering venue. This artificial climbing area sports 24 belay stations and three giant boulders with routes ranging in difficulty from 5.4 to 5.11.

This venue is the home to our Mountaineer Program (climbing merit badge/mountaineering elective) and BSA Level 1 Climbing Instructor course. You are always welcome to stop by for open climb or keep posted for various competitions!

**All participants and observers must be wearing a climbing helmet when within the fall zone of the climbing/rappelling wall.** This venue will operate

in the rain, but safety protocols require it to close during high winds and lightning. Participants must weigh between 50 and 250 pounds.

### BMX Tracks

Action Point is the home of four BMX tracks. BMX is an abbreviation of bicycle motocross and evolved from a bicycle alternative for motorcycle dirt track racing. Each track varies in size. During open program time any participant is welcome to try their hand at BMX under the supervision of our qualified instructors. Instruction begins on a flat ground course and through learning the basics of cornering, pumping, and balance on the beginner course. Depending on participant ability and interest they may move to either the larger BMX racetrack or the dirt jump course, where they can get significant air!



**All BMX participants will be required to wear helmets and pads.** It is also strongly recommended that participants wear skate or tennis shoes rather than hiking boots in order to improve handling and reduce injury. The Summit uses a wristband system to identify participants who have demonstrated sufficient skills to progress to the next level of participation. Participants should already know how to ride a bike.

### Canopy Tours

A Canopy Tour consists of a series of zip lines and platforms (and the occasional rope bridge or rappel element) that takes participants on a treetop tour of the area around action point. In addition to the excitement of zipping through the treetops, participants get the chance to look at the forest in a new way, developing a greater understanding of its importance.

Participants should meet in the north end of Action Point during the evenings to gear up for canopy tours. Each group will be taken through a "ground school" before zipping on the course.



**Manufacturer's guidelines require that all Canopy Tour participants weight at least 50 lbs and no more than 250 lbs.** Participants must also be able to properly wear all safety gear and respond promptly to staff instructions on the course. The



venue will operate in the rain, but safety protocols require this venue to be closed and/or evacuated during high wind and/or lightning.

### Challenge Courses & Project COPE

Action Point is the home of two Challenge Courses (sometimes referred to as “high ropes” courses). This is a selection of obstacles to navigate while tethered from a cable high above the ground. Each element presents a unique challenge that requires problem-solving, dexterity and determination. These physical challenges combined with the added element of height develop self-confidence and accomplishment.

A challenge course however is just part of the experience. In order to get the full experience we recommend the COPE Program. COPE stands for Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience. At the Justice Scout Camp COPE consists of a half day of puzzles, games, and low challenge elements which require intense **teamwork, trust, planning, communication, decision making, problem solving, self-esteem** and **leadership** (the eight goals of COPE!). The second half day continues these challenges and ends on a private run through the high challenge course!

**Manufacturer’s guidelines require that all participants on the Challenge Course (high course only) must weigh at least 50lbs and no more than 250lbs.** Participants must also be able to properly wear all safety gear and respond promptly to staff instructions on the course. The venue will operate in the rain, but safety protocols require this venue to be closed and/or evacuated during high wind and/or lightning.



### CONSOL Energy Bridge

The CONSOL Energy Bridge serves as an efficient route between the Paul R. Christen National High Adventure Base and Action Point. It is an engineering and architectural showpiece and a great place to walk and relax. It’s wing-tip design is intended to resemble the outstretched wings of a flying eagle. Take a look at tell us what you think!



### Gateway & Legacy Zip Lines

Scott Summit Center has two sets of zip lines that depart from a shared platform above the AT&T Summit Stadium – The Gateway Zip and The Legacy Zip. Participants can follow signage and trails to the launch platform during evening program for gear up and orientation. After their thrilling 1100-1300’ zip they can leave their gear at the landing and go back up for another ride or move on to the next exciting activity.

**Manufacturer’s guidelines require that all participants on the Summit Center Zip Lines must weigh at least 50lbs and no more than 250lbs.** Participants must also be able to properly wear all safety gear and respond promptly to staff instructions on the course. The venue will operate in the rain, but safety protocols require this venue to be closed and/or evacuated during high wind and/or lightning.



## Goodrich Lake

Goodrich Lake is the home to the Justice Scout Camp's aquatics activities: paddleboarding, kayaking, and water reality (water obstacle course). It is also the home of the **Cushman Fish Camp** with programs focused on bait fishing, fly-fishing and wildlife management. Goodrich Lake is a manmade lake separated in two sections by a dam: Goodrich Lake East and Goodrich Lake West. Both are great places to experience The Summit's aquatic activities.



**All participants must have passed the BSA Swimmers test, wear close toed shoes, and a properly fitted PFD (personal flotation device) in order to take part in water reality, paddleboarding, or kayaking.**



## Gottschalk Boardwalk & Causeway

Gottschalk Boardwalk is a wonderful place to quietly connect with nature and explore the wetland ecosystem. The Causeway encircles Goodrich Lake-West and serves as a wonderful classroom for Ecology, Environmental Science, and the study of Nature. If you're lucky you might catch a glimpse of a white-tail deer taking a drink or a bald eagle looking for its next meal of fish.

## Jared Harvey Mountain Bike Trails

Weaving in and out of the woods surrounding Action Point is the Jared Harvey Mountain Bike Trail system. These trails offer a variety of difficulty ratings including Green Circle (Easy), Blue Square (More Difficult) and Black Diamond (Very Difficult). Qualified IMBA certified instructors will work with riders of all abilities to improve their riding skills.

**All mountain bike participants will be required to wear helmets (provided).** It is also strongly recommended that participants wear skate or tennis shoes rather than hiking boots in order to improve handling and reduce injury. Participants should already know how to ride a bike.



## Shooting Sports Annex

The Annex is the home to most of the Justice Scout Camp's shooting sports activities. These include but are not limited to static archery, high-velocity air rifles, LaPorte (sporting arrows), tomahawk throwing, and other special activities like Powerball or knife throwing. All with the guidance and coaching of our highly trained staff.

Some scouts, particularly those taking shooting sports courses, will have the opportunity to shoot shotgun or other rifle up on the ridge.

### Skate Park

The Action Point Skatepark is a great facility to hone skateboarding skills or to even start from scratch. The park includes transitions, ramps, quarter pipes, stair sets, boxes, rails, and a mini-ramp. The staff at Action Point have taken many first time skaters and developed them into safe and confident shredders.

**All skateboard participants will be required to wear helmets and pads.** It is also strongly recommended that participants wear skate or tennis shoes rather than hiking boots in order to improve handling and reduce injury. Participants should be sufficiently flexible and prepared to fall safely.



### Survival School

The Summit Survival School was created to educate participants in effective methods of wilderness survival, foraging, and search & rescue. The overnight programs are designed to test a Scout's willpower, outdoor skills, and physical ability. Participants will push their limits and be tested through mentally and physically uncomfortable situations. While this program may be difficult and demanding, any participant can walk away with a new confidence and set of skills which they can apply to the rest of their lives.

Overnight participants should be 15 years or older, be in good physical condition (able to hike 5+ miles a day in adverse weather), a Star Scout or aspiring Ranger, and be able to embrace adversity.

### Sustainability Treehouse

The Sustainability Treehouse is the showpiece of the Boy Scouts of America's commitment to sustainable policies. This award winning building is not only an exhibit, but a living, interactive classroom where Scouts can learn everything from recycling practices to urban gardening, to photosynthesis and adaptation. A staff of Sustainability and Ecology Interpreters will be available to assist with advancement opportunities, demonstrations, and experiments to engage youth and help them evaluate their impact on our planet. Sustainability is not just about the environment though. Scouts who visit the treehouse will learn about the importance of balancing a dedication to our environment with both social and economic impacts. This building is a must see of the site and also a great place to relax.



## Open Program

### Morning & Afternoon

During the morning and afternoon if a participant is not participating in the service project, they are welcome to take advantage of open program in any of the following open venues.\* During open program, participants are welcome to move from area to area as they please.

Boulder Cove (Climbing & Rappelling)	Goodrich Lake-East (Kayaking & Paddleboarding)
Cushman Fish Camp	Sustainability Treehouse
Action Point Skate Park	The Annex (Rifle Shooting & Archery)
Jared Harvey Mountain Bike Trails	

### Evening Program

Evenings at The Summit are the time for pure adrenaline and fun. Participants from the Paul R. Christen High Adventure Base and John D. Tickle Training & Leadership Center will join the Justice Scout Camp in Summit Center to experience program at all of the previous venues, plus the following ones\*:

Action Point Canopy Tours	Action Point Challenge Courses
Gateway & Legacy Zip Lines	Action Point BMX Tracks
Goodrich Lake-West (Water Reality, Kayaking & Paddleboarding)	
Summit Circle Rededication Ceremony	

\*Subject to change. Check the latest program schedule for the most up to date information. Additionally, venues may close due to weather constraints.

## Safety Procedures & Policies

### Personal Equipment

#### Specialized Activity Clothing

Bring clothes that are appropriate for hiking. If you have a lot of experience in one of the activities that we provide at The Summit, such as mountain biking and you have specialized clothing for that activity, feel free to bring those clothing items with you. If the activities are new to you, there is not a need to spend extra money on specialized clothing for the activities at The Summit.

**Service Project** – In order to provide service back to the Justice Scout Camp, all Prism participants are asked to participate in a service project. You will need to bring long pants and sturdy shoes to take part in this activity.

**Skateboarding, Mountain Biking and BMX** - The ideal shoe for these activities is a biking shoe, skateboard shoe or low rise tennis shoe with a thinner sole. These types of footwear also help reduce injury in these activities. Stiff and bulky hiking boots can make control more difficult on a skateboard.

**Safety equipment** - The Summit provides all required program and safety equipment such as helmets, pads, PFDs, ear protection, harnesses, etc. Do not bring your own safety equipment... The Summit knows the history of the equipment being used.

**Closed toed shoes** - All Summit activities require closed toed shoes for participation.

**Aquatics activities** - Closed toed shoes are required for all aquatics activities as well. Bring footwear that will be dedicated to being soaked for the week. There are types of sport sandals that are closed like a shoe in the front and open in the back like a sandal, these work very well. An old pair of tennis





shoes will work great also. Moisture wicking shirts that dry quickly are recommended for our aquatics activities, which also provide protection from the sun while out on the water.

### Specialized Equipment

The Summit has all the equipment you need to participate in our programs. If you elect to use your own equipment for activities at the Justice Scout Camp this section outlines what can be allowed subject to inspection by trained and qualified Summit staff.

*Some equipment used for Summit programs can be very costly. When deciding whether to bring your own equipment, please take into consideration that the Summit does not provide secure storage for your personal equipment and does not replace or repair lost, stolen or damaged personal equipment.*

#### Climbing Shoes

The Summit provides climbing shoes for those participating in climbing activities. We do not consider climbing shoes as required safety equipment, so if you have a personal pair you would like to bring, please feel free to do so.

#### Bikes

Only the participants in Tires & Trails, Berms & Bars and Advanced Mountain Biking programs (Paul R. Christen High Adventure Base) are allowed to bring their own bike. A manager of the program area must inspect and approve the bike before its use on the site.

#### Skateboards

Personal skateboards are allowed for all participants as they are small, portable and easy to inspect. A skateboarding program manager must inspect your board each time you bring it to one of the skate parks.

***Participants are NOT ALLOWED to bring personal firearms or archery equipment.***

### The Summit Health Lodge

First Aid treatment will be administered by The Summit Health Lodge provided by Raleigh General Hospital. This on-site facility is a 24 hour clinic with a full-time doctor, multiple treatment rooms, holding facilities, a full stock of medical supplies, up to date equipment, and a team of EMT first responders.

### Emergency Procedures

In case of an emergency; **do not move the injured person**. Immediately contact the Summit Operations Center in one of the following ways:

- Alert a staff member who can call over the radio
- Call 304-465-2900
- Send a runner to the nearest staff member or the health lodge itself

The Summit Operations Center will give further instruction and dispatch EMS if necessary.

If any participant is taken to the health lodge with a significant injury their unit leader will be notified. If a youth participant cannot be treated on-site, and needs to be taken to the hospital, it will most likely be necessary for an adult leader to accompany them. *Unit leaders are responsible for parental notification of any injuries.*

### Camp Communications

The Summit has multiple avenues of relaying messages to participants and staff for both general information and emergencies. These avenues include text message alerts, cell phones, UHF radios, family-band radios, the "Big Voice" PA camp-wide PA system, email and Summit/Prism staff. Depending on the nature of the

message multiple avenues of communication may be used to relay it. Each of these methods will be laid out during orientation.

## Visitor Policy

If your unit expects visitors throughout the week please inform staff during check in. Visitors must be accompanied by the adult leader of the unit the entire time they are on the property. **All visitors MUST check in at Guest Services immediately upon entering the property. No Exceptions!**

## Leaving Camp

If adults need to leave camp for any reason we ask that they sign out and back in with the Camp Commissioner on duty at the time of their departure. In the event of an emergency The Summit Staff need to be able to account for every person on the site.

**If any youth participant is to be transported off-site before their scheduled departure day they MUST check out with Guest Services and the Summit Health Lodge.** This is to not only have a record of their departure, but to verify the person transporting them is authorized to do so.

## Restricted Access

As an adventure sports facility The Summit has a number of venues which can be dangerous without proper supervision. Therefore, no program venues are to be used without the presence of a qualified Summit Manager on site. **If there is no staff present DO NOT enter, climb, or play on any program venues!**

## Hazardous Wildlife

Southern West Virginia is home to a variety of hazardous plants & animals. All participants and staff need to be alert to these hazards and know what to do in the event of a wildlife situation. Never feed any wild animals and keep a safe distance from even seemingly harmless animals.

**WARNING: There is to be no food, snacks, soft drinks etc. stored in any tent overnight. All food MUST be consumed or placed in a trash container each evening.**

## Snakes

Avoid tall grassy areas, areas with surface rock, and wet areas. Stay on trails. Do not approach any snake and treat all snakes as poisonous. If bitten, have the victim lay prone and rest quietly to reduce the spread of venom and immediately summon medical assistance through a staff member or the Summit Operation Center at 304-465-2900.



**COPPERHEAD**



**EASTERN TIMBER RATTLESNAKE****Bears**

In the event a bear is encountered, attempt to leave the area. Do not under any circumstances approach a bear or go between a bear and bear cubs. Do not attempt to feed bears. If a bear approaches, make noise and wave your arms to scare it off. If the bear charges it may be necessary to fight back to avoid serious injury.

All bear sightings should be reported immediately to the Summit Operations Center (304-465-2900) and all personnel removed from the immediate area of the sighting.

**Rabies Carrying Animals**

Raccoons and other commonly observed small animals are known to carry rabies. Never attempt to approach any animal and report any animal acting in a strange manner, especially if the animal is unnaturally aggressive, to the Camp Director.

**Deer Ticks**

Deer ticks are known to carry Lyme disease. They can be found in grassy as well as wooded areas. While ticks are often hard to detect in the woods, they can be located by carefully checking clothes, skin and hair. A tick check should be performed several times a day and whenever leaving tick habitat. Remove ticks from clothing, but seek medical assistance in removing ticks embedded in the skin or hair.



Deer Tick



Black Widow Spider



Brown Recluse Spider

## Feedback & Contact Information

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We look forward to seeing you at The James C. Justice National Scout Camp. If you have any further questions do not hesitate to call or email. Our contact information can be found in the following section.

### Feedback & Requests

We always appreciate constructive criticism and/or positive feedback on our program and operations at the James C. Justice National Scout Camp. Remember that we can't fix a problem if we don't know about it. It is our sole mission that your Scouts or Venturers have an amazing life-changing experience while they are here. We will try our very hardest to make that dream a reality.

During your stay be sure to take part in Leaders' Meetings, Commissioner Coffees, and other leader gatherings. These events are a great time to ask questions, provide feedback, or make requests. See your program event schedule for more details.

In the event that a significant problem does arise during your stay at camp please use the following steps to resolve it:

1. Talk directly to the staff member involved. In most cases, the problem isn't known and can be resolved once it is addressed to the staff member or area director
2. If the problem is not solved, please address it directly to the camp commissioner or program director.
3. If you are still not satisfied contact the Camp Director, Phillip Ferrier to discuss the issue. Generally all Justice Scout Camp problems stop here.
4. If, after all of these steps, you are not satisfied with the results, you may contact the Summit Director of Program, Matt Monroe at 304.465.2800



Before your departure please be sure your entire unit fills out our online feedback survey at [www.summitebsa.org/feedback](http://www.summitebsa.org/feedback). (Paper copies may be requested from camp staff if necessary)

### General Contact Information

The Summit Bechtel Reserve is staffed year-round. If you need any assistance do not hesitate to contact us through phone or email. For general non-emergency inquiries please use the information below:

[Summit.program@scouting.org](mailto:Summit.program@scouting.org)

**General Contact: 304-465-2800**

### Emergencies – Summit Operations Center (SOC)

During the summer operation and National Scout Jamborees, The Summit operates a 24-hour emergency communications hub call the Summit Operations Center. This communications hub has access to lightning and weather reporting, site-wide PA systems, text message alerts, unit contact information, and staff radio contact. For **EMERGENCIES ONLY** the SOC can be contacted 24 hours a day from June 1<sup>st</sup> through August 15<sup>th</sup> at the following number:

**Emergencies: 304-465-2900**

### Staff Contact Information

If you have a specific question or concern feel free to contact the appropriate full-time staff members to have it resolved. If we can't answer your question or address your concern, we will promptly seek out someone who can.

#### Camp Director – Phillip Ferrier

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# Additional Information & Resources

## Links

### BSA Links

<a href="#">The Summit Bechtel Reserve</a>	<a href="http://www.summitbsa.org">www.summitbsa.org</a>
<a href="#">James C. Justice National Scout Camp</a>	<a href="http://www.summitbsa.org/programs/scout-camp">www.summitbsa.org/programs/scout-camp</a>
<a href="#">Boy Scouts of America</a>	<a href="http://www.scouting.org">www.scouting.org</a>
<a href="#">Philmont</a>	<a href="http://www.philmontscoutranch.org">www.philmontscoutranch.org</a>
<a href="#">Northern Tier</a>	<a href="http://www.ntier.org">www.ntier.org</a>
<a href="#">Florida Sea Base</a>	<a href="http://www.bsaseabase.org">www.bsaseabase.org</a>
<a href="#">Buckskin Council, Boy Scouts of America</a>	<a href="http://www.buckskin.org">www.buckskin.org</a>

### Local Outfitters & Organizations

<a href="#">New River Gorge National River (National Park Service)</a>	<a href="http://www.nps.gov/neri">www.nps.gov/neri</a>
<a href="#">Adventures On The Gorge</a>	<a href="http://www.adventuresonthegorge.com">www.adventuresonthegorge.com</a>
<a href="#">Ace Adventure Resort</a>	<a href="http://www.aceraft.com">www.aceraft.com</a>
<a href="#">Rivers Expeditions</a>	<a href="http://www.raftinginfo.com">www.raftinginfo.com</a>

### Other Organization Links

<a href="#">ACA (American Canoe Association)</a>	<a href="http://www.americancanoe.org">www.americancanoe.org</a>
<a href="#">IMBA (International Mountain Bike Association)</a>	<a href="http://www.imba.com">www.imba.com</a>
<a href="#">AMGA (American Mountain Guides Association)</a>	<a href="http://www.amga.com">www.amga.com</a>
<a href="#">NRA (National Rifle Association)</a>	<a href="http://www.training.nra.org">www.training.nra.org</a>
<a href="#">Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics</a>	<a href="http://www.lnt.org">www.lnt.org</a>

### Social Media

<a href="#">Summit Facebook</a>	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/thebechtelsummit">www.facebook.com/thebechtelsummit</a>
<a href="#">Summit Flickr</a>	<a href="http://www.flickr.com/summitbechtelreserve/">www.flickr.com/summitbechtelreserve/</a>
<a href="#">Summit Twitter</a>	<a href="http://www.twitter.com/bechtelsummit">www.twitter.com/bechtelsummit</a>
<a href="#">Summit Youtube</a>	<a href="http://www.youtube.com/thebechtelsummit">www.youtube.com/thebechtelsummit</a>

## Other Opportunities at The Summit Bechtel Reserve

### Paul R. Christen National High Adventure Base

The Paul R. Christen High Adventure Base offers programming in four different areas or levels. [The Summit Experience](#), [Focused Programs](#), [Advanced Programs](#) and [Conservation Programs](#). The Summit Experience is an introduction to high adventure at The Summit, and explores each of the adventure venues through a half day experience. Each of the Focused Programs spend 3 full days in the area of focus, with two days left for electives. The Advanced Programs delve deep into the area of specialty for a full week-long experience. Conservation programs combine trail service to The Summit with a high adventure experience.

For more information visit [www.summitbsa.org](http://www.summitbsa.org)!

### John D. Tickle National Training & Leadership Center

The John D. Tickle National Training and Leadership Center offers a variety of seven-day, five-day, and weekend conferences targeted towards Scouters and experienced Scouts. These courses include Professional Development, Youth Development, Program Instructor Certifications, STEM, NAYLE, Leave No Trace, and much more. For more information visit [www.summitbsa.org](http://www.summitbsa.org)!

## Instructional Videos







Mountain Bike Body Position



Mountain Bike Pumping Basics



BMX Gate Start



Four Rules of Gun Handling



10 Tips for Paddling Safely



Proper Archery Form



Climbing Knots



Wilderness Survival: Water Purification



Leave No Trace Principles



Sustainability in Two Minutes



Story of the New River Gorge: Part 1



Story of the New River Gorge: Part 2