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Welcome to Camp Raven Knob

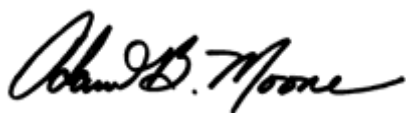
Dear Scouter,

Welcome to Camp Raven Knob 2027! We are excited to host you and your Scouts for summer camp. We have a variety of programs and merit badges ready to offer for Scouters of all ages. Please take a few minutes and read through this guide to assist with the registration process for camp this summer.

Program offerings have been updated, and our staff is prepared for a great summer. We will have various webinars monthly beginning in February. These webinars will help new and returning troops learn how to register their unit and Scouts through the MyCouncil online registration platform. Information on all webinars and other updates can be found on our website and social media pages.

The MyCouncil online registration platform provides leaders with the most accurate information for unit registrations and schedule building. If you have any questions about online registration or summer camp, please feel free to contact us for assistance. We at Camp Raven Knob look forward to having your unit join us at camp this summer!

Good Scouting,



Adam Moore | Camp Director



What's New this Summer?

Soil & Water Conservation

Combine your passion for nature with hands-on conservation! This summer, Camp Raven Knob is excited to pair the Soil & Water Conservation merit badge with our popular Environmental Science session. Scouts will explore the critical relationships between land, air, and water, learning how to prevent erosion, manage vital natural resources, and protect ecosystems. This dual session offers an immersive, dual-badge experience where Scouts gain practical field skills and a deeper appreciation for stewarding the environment.

Wildland Fire Management

Step into the boots of forest defenders with our new Wildland Fire Management offering! Scouts will discover the science behind forest fires, the critical role prescribed burns play in forest health, and how professional wildland firefighters prevent and contain blazes. Packed with hands-on learning and safety insights, this dynamic program gives Scouts a firsthand look at ecology, forestry, and the vital work required to keep our natural wilderness areas safe.

Backpacking

Take your outdoor adventures to the next level with the Backpacking merit badge! Designed for Scouts ready to hit the trail, this new offering covers essential wilderness skills, including lightweight packing, trail navigation, backcountry safety, and Leave No Trace principles. Scouts will gain the knowledge and confidence needed to plan, prepare for, and execute self-sufficient backcountry treks, preparing them for a lifetime of wilderness exploration.

Multisport

Get active and challenge your endurance with the new Multisport merit badge at Camp Raven Knob! Perfect for high-energy Scouts, this exciting program introduces the fundamentals of multi-discipline athletic events like triathlons. Participants will focus on training strategies, proper nutrition, transition techniques, and safety across running, cycling, and swimming. It's an empowering way for Scouts to build personal fitness, test their limits, and cross the finish line with pride!

Program Information

Session Offerings

Camp Raven Knob is proud to offer programs for Scouts of all ages! First-year campers often enjoy our Raven Scouts program, Scouts of all ages enjoy our merit badge program, and older Scouts enjoy our Outback High Adventure programs. We offer training courses and special activities for adult leaders, and open programming in the evenings with come-and-go activities for Scouts and adult leaders alike!

For detailed descriptions of each program (and the most up-to-date information), please visit ravenknob.com and browse through the program menu.

Age Recommendations

Per Scouting America policy, all merit badges are available to be taken by any Scout. However, the physical or mental demands of some of our programs are more suited toward Scouts of a particular age, maturity, or skill level. In this guide and on ravenknob.com, you can view which merit badges and programs we recommend for younger Scouts, older Scouts, or all Scouts. Unit leaders are responsible for ensuring that all Scouts meet age, maturity, and skill level recommendations for all sessions.

Prerequisites

Some programs have requirements that cannot be completed at camp and should instead be completed before or after camp. Details are available at ravenknob.com/sessionlist.



Aquatics

Note: All Aquatics sessions (except for Non-Swimmer/ Beginner Instruction) require successful completion of the Scouting America Swimmer Test in order to participate.

Recommended for All Scouts



Kayaking



**Non-Swimmer/
Beginner
Instruction**



**Stand Up
Paddleboarding
(Award)**



Swimming

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Canoeing



Lifesaving



Rowing



**Small Boat
Sailing**



**Snorkeling
(Award)**



Advanced Small Boat Sailing



**Mile Swim
(Award)**

Age 15+ Required



American Red Cross Lifeguard



Handicrafts

Recommended for All Scouts



Art



Basketry



Leatherwork

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Pottery/ Sculpture



Wood Carving



Woodwork

Recommended for Scouts Age 13+



Metalwork



Advanced Metalwork



Nature

Recommended for All Scouts



Archaeology



**Fish & Wildlife
Management/
Mammal Study**



Nature



**Reptile &
Amphibian
Study**



Weather

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Bird Study



Forestry



Geology



Insect Study



Wildland Fire Management

Recommended for Scouts Age 13+



Environmental Science / Soil & Water Conservation



Scoutcraft

Recommended for All Scouts



Camping



Orienteering



Safety/ Fire Safety

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Backpacking



First Aid



Geocaching



Pioneering



**Signs,
Signals, and
Codes**

Recommended for Scouts Age 13+



Cooking



**Emergency
Preparedness/ Search
& Rescue**



Wilderness Survival



Range and Target Activities

Recommended for Scouts Age 13+



Archery



Rifle Shooting



Shotgun Shooting



Technology

Recommended for All Scouts



Animation



Game Design



**Photography/
Moviemaking**



**Space
Exploration**

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Astronomy



Aviation



Chemistry



Chess



Digital Technology



Engineering



**Graphic
Arts**



**Nuclear
Science**



Programming



**Robotics/
Electronics/Electricity**

Recommended for Scouts Age 14+



Welding



Trail to Eagle

Recommended for Scouts Age 13+



**American Heritage/
Scouting Heritage**



**Citizenship in the
Nation**



**Citizenship in the
World**



Communication



Personal Fitness



Personal Management



Salesmanship/ Entrepreneurship



Splash and Dash (Multisport)

Rank Advancement



Raven Scouts

Each Scout in the Raven Scouts program learns basic skills that all Scouts must master for rank advancement, camping, and other outdoor activities. Highlights include personal fitness, first aid, ropework, map-and-compass work, and nature hiking. While designed primarily for Scouts who are new to the Scouting program and/or attending summer camp for the first time, the Raven Scouts program is open to any interested Scouts that would benefit from its welcoming and advancement-focused experience.

Recommended for Younger Scouts



Raven Scouts

The Raven Scouts program, which is held in the mornings, focuses on teaching the essential skills required for the Scout, Tenderfoot, and Second-Class ranks. It is particularly well-suited for younger Scouts or those attending summer camp for the first time.



Senior Raven Scouts

The Senior Raven Scouts program, a two-hour session in the afternoon, homes in on the specific requirements for the First-Class rank. This program is ideal for Scouts who have already advanced past Second Class and need a focused push to complete their First-Class requirements.

Outback High Adventure Program



Looking for some more adventure during your week of summer camp? Then check out our Outback High Adventure Program! The Outback Program offers six different programs to give Scouts the ability to choose their level of adventure.





CAMP RAVEN KNOB ATV EXPERIENCE

Grab your goggles and get ready to embark on one of Raven Knob's premier high adventure programs! Participants in the Raven Knob ATV Experience will learn how to safely operate an ATV and explore the backcountry of Camp Raven Knob in the process.

14+

\$ 50

3 hr

Required Training

Each participant is required to take a training from the ATV Safety Institute **before** arriving to camp.

This training can be found [here](#).

Extra Equipment

Each participant will need to bring a few extra items with them to camp in order to participate.

The list of the required items can be found [here](#).

Maximum Participants

Due to BSA and NC Regulations, this program can only have **three** 14–15 year-olds and **five** 16-17 year-olds each session.



CAMP RAVEN KNOB

Climbing

EXPERIENCE

“Climbing!...Climb on!” and prepare to see what life is like at the top of Camp Raven Knob. Spend the week learning the basics of climbing and rappelling and the necessary safety precautions involved while also experiencing some of the best views in camp. Then put your skills to the test with a trip to Pilot Mountain State Park where Scouts will have the opportunity to climb on natural rocks, weather permitting.

14+

\$ 25

3 hr

Field Trip

Each week the Climbing Merit Badge will travel to Pilot Mountain* to experience what it is like to climb on natural rock.

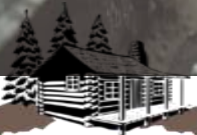
* This field trip is weather permitting each week.

Merit Badge

Participants in the Camp Raven Knob Climbing Experience will complete all the requirements for the **Climbing Merit Badge**.

Extra Meeting Time

Each participant in this session is required to attend the Open Climbing Twilight Activity on Thursday night.

CAMP RAVEN KNOB Cripple-Creek EXPERIENCE

Take a journey back in time to the mid-1800s to experience what life was like for the frontiersmen exploring the wide-open spaces of North America. This primitive camping experience will give Scouts and adults the chance to craft their own knives, shoot black powder rifles, pan for gold, cook in an old-fashioned kitchen, throw tomahawks, and so much more!

13+

\$ 50

All Day

Merit Badges

Participants in the Cripple Creek Experience will complete many of the requirements for **Cooking, Leatherwork, Metalwork, Woodwork, and Rifle Shooting** merit badges.

Extra Equipment

Each participant will need to bring a few extra items with them to camp in order to participate.

The list of the required items can be found [here](#).



CAMP RAVEN KNOB Disc Golf EXPERIENCE

Get on board with one of the fastest growing sports in the country, Disc Golf! Scouts in our disc golf program will learn the ins and outs of the sport, throw a variety of discs, enter a tournament, visit an off-site disc golf course, and more! Be sure to spread the word about this program at CRK, where Scouts can sling it at the [Victor Collins 18 Hole Disc Golf Course](#).

13+

\$ 25

2 hr

Equipment

Participants are encouraged to bring their own discs to use during the week.

The camp will provide discs to Scouts that do not have their own discs.

Merit Badge

Participants in the Camp Raven Knob Disc Golf Experience will complete all the requirements for the **Golf Merit Badge**.



CAMP RAVEN KNOB Mountain Biking EXPERIENCE

Strap on your helmets and get ready to embark on a two-wheel adventure through the backcountry of Raven Knob Scout Reservation! Scouts in this program practice and demonstrate the skills needed for a safe mountain biking trip. Scouts will get to put their skills to the test on the trails and old logging roads throughout the backcountry. **Note: this experience is not for beginning bikers.**

14+

\$ 25

3 hr

Field Trip

Each week the Mountain Biking/ Cycling Merit Badge will travel to Virginia* to complete the 22-Mile Ride requirement.

* This field trip is weather permitting each week.

Equipment

Participants in this session are highly encouraged to bring their own mountain bikes and helmets to camp.

Merit Badge

Participants in the Camp Raven Knob Mountain Biking Experience will complete all requirements for the **Cycling Merit Badge**.



Looking to put your skills to the test in the ultimate high adventure opportunity at Raven Knob? Then look no further than our RAMPAGE! Program. Scouts and adults in the RAMPAGE! program will spend the week at our outpost camp in Virginia hiking part of the Appalachian Trail, climbing at Pilot Mountain State Park, and canoeing down class III rapids on the New River.

14+

\$ 50

All Day

More Information

Scouts interested in the RAMPAGE! program should also review the RAMPAGE! Program Supplement for more detailed information including, Packing Information, Daily Schedule, and Maps of the various trips.

Program Supplement

Twilight & Evening Activities

Camp Raven Knob offers open programming in the evenings – there’s always something to do after supper! For the current twilight activity schedule go to: ravenknob.com/twilight

Vespers

[Citizenship in the Nation Field Trip](#)

[Troop Shoots](#)

[Free Swim & Open Boating](#)

[Tie-Dye & Paracord Crafts](#)

[CRK Fishing Tournament](#)

[Totin’ Chip Instruction](#)

[Open Handicrafts](#)

Branding in the Metalwork Shed

Open Nature

Kick Ball Game

[Frog Hunt](#)

Firem’n Chit Instruction

[Wilderness Survival Overnighter](#)

Flag Retirement Ceremony

[Open Climbing](#)

[CRK Chess Tournament](#)

Adult Leader Training and Activities

Training

[Aquatics Supervision Courses](#)

[American Red Cross Lifeguard Training](#)

[Climbing Instructor Level I Training](#)

[Climb on Safely](#)

[CPR/AED Training](#)

[Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills](#)

[Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat](#)

[Wilderness and Remote First Aid](#)

For the current Adult Leader Training schedule, please visit ravenknob.com/adulttraining.

Adult Leader Social and Cook-off

On Thursday evening after supper, we will be hosting this special event on the parade ground just outside the dining hall. The Leader Social offers a fantastic opportunity for leaders to unwind, socialize, and share some quality time with each other and our esteemed camp administration.

Leaders are also invited to participate in the Scoutmaster Cook-off, so get your culinary skills ready! Leaders should plan to prepare food in their campsite prior to the cook-off and bring it to the parade ground to be judged by other leaders and staff. The top dishes will receive an exclusive patch to commemorate their involvement, and the ultimate victors will be rewarded with the prestigious CRK Scoutmaster Cook-off Champion Apron. It's a night you won't want to miss, so come join us for an unforgettable experience of fun, food, and fellowship!

The Big Stepper Award

Get ready for an energizing challenge during each week of our summer camp! We are thrilled to announce the Big Stepper Award for Leaders, an exciting opportunity for all our leaders to showcase their walking prowess and lead by example. Starting Monday of each week, you'll be able to monitor your steps until noon on Friday to try and win the prestigious CRK Big Stepper Award. To be eligible for this award your total step count needs to be submitted to the Administration Building by 5:00 pm on Friday. The leaderer with the most steps during the competition period each week will be recognized at the closing campfire. It's a chance to not only stay active and healthy but also inspire others through their dedication to fitness. So put on your walking shoes and

get ready to step up for the challenge of a lifetime! Let's see who will claim the title of Step Master for each week of camp!

Other Activities

At Camp Raven Knob, we go the extra mile to ensure our leaders have a fulfilling and unforgettable experience. In addition to the activities highlighted above, we offer an impressive array of activities designed specifically to cater to their interests and needs. Our exclusive [Scoutmaster Merit Badge](#) program provides leaders with the opportunity to assist various program areas with a wide range of activities in order to earn a special Scoutmaster Pin. For a thrilling dose of friendly competition, the Scoutmaster vs Staff Softball game brings leaders and staff together on the field for a spirited match that fosters camaraderie and team spirit. It's always a "big hit!" However, the fun doesn't stop there – Learn more about some of our other opportunities at ravenknob.com/leaderactivities.

Reference

Program Grid

Program Registration Codes

Program		9-10	10-11	11-12		2-3	3-4	4-5
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	Canoeing *	341						
	Kayaking *	321	322	323		324	325	326
	Lifesaving	381				384		
	Mile Swim			373				376
	Rowing	351						
	Small-boat Sailing *		362			364		
	Advanced Small-boat Sailing							366
	Snorkeling	371	372					
	Stand Up Paddle boarding	331		333		334	335	336
	Swimming	311		313		314	315	
	Non-Swimmer/ Beginner Instruction	301		303		304	305	
	Free Swim							306
Handicrafts	Art (\$8)			413			415	
	Basketry (\$12)	421				424		426
	Leatherwork (\$15)		402	403		404	405	406
	Metalwork (\$20) [13]	481	482	483		484	485	
	Advanced Metalwork (\$20)							486
	Pottery/ Sculpture (\$20)	441				444		
	Wood Carving (\$10)	451		453		454	455	456
	Woodwork (\$25)	461	462	463		464	465	
Nature	Archaeology	541	546				545	
	Bird Study	571						
	Environmental Science/ Soil & Water Conservation [13]	591				594		
			592					
	Fish and Wildlife/ Mammal Study	511	512			514	515	516
	Forestry		552				555	
	Geology			543				546
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	Reptile and Amphibian Study	531				534	535	
	Weather *							526
	Wildland Fire Management			563		564		
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	Cooking (\$18) [13]		282				285	
	Emergency Preparedness/ Search & Rescue	291				294		
	First Aid		212				215	
	Geocaching			263		264	265	
	Orienteering *	251	252					
	Pioneering		242					
	Safety/ Fire Safety	221				224		226

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Range & Target Activities	Archery (\$15) [13] *	731				734		
	Rifle Shooting (\$28) [13]	751				754		
	Shotgun Shooting (\$35) [13] *	771				774		
Technology	Animation			603				606
	Astronomy *	621				624		
	Aviation (\$8)			643				646
	Chemistry *			683				686
	Chess *			633				636
	Digital Technology *	601				604		
	Engineering *	651	652			654	655	
	Game Design *		602				605	
	Graphic Arts	671				674		
	Nuclear Science *			693				
	Photography/ Movie Making (\$10)					614		
	Programming		672				675	
	Robotics/ Electronics/ Electricity (\$20) *	681				684		
	Space Exploration (\$20) *		622				625	
	Welding (\$22) [14]	691				694		
Trail to Eagle	American Heritage/ Scouting Heritage [13]						805	
	Citizenship in the Nation [13]	871		873		874		
	Citizenship in the World [13]	881	882			884	885	
	Communication [13]	851		853		854	855	856
	Personal Fitness [13]	841	842	843				
	Personal Management [13] *		892	893			895	896
	Salesmanship/ Entrepreneurship [13]					814		816
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Outback High Adventure	ATV Experience (\$50) [14]	951				954		
	Climbing (\$25) [14]	931						
	Cripple Creek (\$50) [13]	971 (All day)						
	Golf (Disc Golf Option) (\$25) [13]						915	
	Mountain Biking/ Cycling MB (\$25) [14] *					944		
	RAMPAGE! (\$50) [14]	981 (All Day)						

Key

(\$) Program Fee

[#] Recommended Participant Age

* Merit Badge part of STEM Program

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Camp Map

