

Hello Scouts and Families of the Cornhusker Council!

I am writing you to let you know about a scouting experience of a lifetime, the 2023 National Scout Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

My name is Evan Hiser and I have the honor of serving as Scoutmaster for the Cornhusker Council 2023 National Jamboree troop. Besides myself, the boy troop will be led by Shannon LaFave and Jacob Rushman. The girl patrol will be led by Samantha Cressler. Together, we have spent many hours planning to insure this "scouting adventure of a lifetime" will be memorable and most importantly, fun.

What is the National Jamboree?

The National Jamboree is held every four years and provides an opportunity for 1000s of scouts from across the nation (and the world) to gather on BSA's biggest stage. Besides meeting other scouts, the Jamboree offers many unique experiences. Scouts who attend will have the chance to witness world class entertainment, take part in numerous learning opportunities, and participate in everything The Summit has to offer - zip lining, mountain biking, shooting sports, white water rafting, scuba diving, and much, much more. There are too many activities to list here!

When is the trip?

The dates for the Jamboree are July 19th, 2023 through July 28th, 2023. We will leave 3 to 4 days before the 19th to allow for some travel and touring time on out way to West Virginia. We will return on the 29th.

Who can attend?

Any registered scout, boy or girl, who is at least 12 years of age by July 19th, 2023 and not yet 21 years old by July 28th, 2023 The boys and girls will be in separate troops once we reach The Summit. However, we will travel and participate in touring together. Traditionally you can not attend the Jamboree as a youth participant if you are 18 years old or older. However next year we can take scouts up to 21 years old. This is to allow those that wanted to go to the Jamboree that was cancelled in 2021 and have since "aged out" of scouting.

What is the cost?

The cost for the trip is \$2500. That will cover all meals, travel, Jamboree fees, and several swag items. Swag could include things such as patches, neckerchiefs, t-shirts, and other souvenirs.

How do I register?

To guarantee your spot in the troop you must register on the National Jamboree website - Home | National Jamboree. After you have registered there, you must also register on the Cornhusker Council website - Cornhusker Council - National Jamboree . The Cornhusker Council registration requires a \$300 deposit. *Please note that participating scouts must be registered on both sites.



Keep in mind that spots in the troop are limited and they are filled on a first come first serve basis. Once the troop is full, anyone interested will be placed on a waiting list. Sign up early to take advantage of all the opportunities available to attending scouts - BSA has offered scholarships available for up to \$600 for those registered in the past. We have been told that something similar will be offered this time however no information has been released. We will also provide fundraising for those scouts that are registered.

In addition to attending the Jamboree, our troop will enjoy sightseeing and touring on our way to and back home from The Summit. These touring plans are still being decided and are not finale yet. Things we are considering are museum tours in Chicago, Wright Patterson Air Force Museum in Dayton, OH, and the Louisville Baseball Bat factory in Kentucky. We are looking at every fun and interesting attraction between here and West Virginia and can promise a fantastic experience.

For adults who are interested in attending, there are opportunities to go to Jamboree as service team members. Details can be found on the National site.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. We really want to do everything we can to give this opportunity to any scout who wants to go so please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have. Please help spread this information to your troops and other scouts you may know.

Yours In Scouting

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