

Troop 17

Activities Permission Slip and Release

Activity ___ Overnight Campout Long Term Camp ___ Hike
 ___ Field Trip ___ Other: _____

Destination WR ___ SR2 ___ MC ___ MW ___ CC
 Other: ***All arrivals and departures will be at Worth Ranch***

Departure 12:00 pm 17 June **Return** 10:00 am 25 June (Scouts will call)

All departures and arrivals will occur at the Scout lodge unless given prior permission.

Aquatics Aquatic activity will / ___ will not be involved.

Activity Fee \$ 260 Total (\$260.00 camp fee + \$ _____ equipment fee + \$ _____ food + \$ _____ transportation)

Location key : CC – Camp Constantin, Graford, TX 940-779-2131
 MC – McClure Property @WR (On WR Road, before the main gate)
 MW – Mineral Wells State Park, Mineral Wells, TX 940-328-1171
 SR2 – Sid Richardson Scout Ranch, Runaway Bay, TX 940-575-4243
 WR – Worth Ranch, Palo Pinto, TX 940-659-2195

Medical Release and Waiver of Liability

*** Return this portion to your Patrol Leader ***

Boy Scouts of America Troop 17, chartered by St. Stephen Presbyterian Church

I understand that participation in the **activity involves** a certain degree of **risk**. In consideration of the benefits derived and acknowledging the risks both known and unforeseeable, I agree to my son(s) / ward(s) _____ participation in the activity and specifically and irrevocably **waive all claims** and future claims against the leaders, officers, agents, representatives, volunteers, and committee members of Troop 17, the Longhorn Council, Boy Scouts of America, St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, and the sponsor. I further acknowledge the fact that the Boy Scouts of America is an education institution which **requires participants to abide** by applicable **rules and standards**. I have full confidence that every reasonable precaution will be taken to ensure the safety and well being of the participants. In the event of an emergency, the adult volunteer in charge of the scene has my **permission to obtain medical treatment**, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication at the nearest hospital or doctor, at my expense. **Medical providers are authorized to disclose** to the adult in charge examination findings, test results, and treatment provided for the purpose of medical evaluation of the participant, follow-up and communication with the participant's guardian, and/or determination of the participant's ability to continue in the Troop's activity.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____

Emergency contact numbers _____ Date of participant's last tetanus shot _____

List all participant's medications and dosing instructions: _____

List all participant's allergies, including drug allergies: _____

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Summer Camp Gear List

First thing you will need to do is choose your tent mate. They can be from any patrol. Just find someone your own age to tent with.

Bring all of these things, even if you don't think you'll need them. They are on this list for a reason. Please put your name on name on EVERYTHING!!

Action Packer – to put all your stuff in. Make sure you can carry it. Does it fit under your cot??

Cot, Bedroll, and Sheet- You will need a cot for this camp. Sheets are cooler to sleep under but you'll still need your bedroll. Mosquitoes usually aren't too bad. We have a special handout for an optional mosquito net/frame.

Pillow – With a crazy pillowcase?

Full Uniform – Wear your full uniform to camp. (Official Scout shorts, shirt, knee-high socks, belt, & neckerchief) we will wear our Class B uniforms almost all the time (Class B means full uniform and a Troop Tshirt). At dinner we will wear our Class A. If you need uniform items get them now. **Don't come to camp without your full uniform. Also, be prepared to wear it the whole week.**

Wear your bathing suit under your uniform when you arrive at camp the first day

We will head straight to the pool

T-Shirts – We have several colors of Troop T-shirts. Plan on bringing the ones listed below. If you are new, or if you have lost shirts, plan on ordering. They are \$5 each. (The standard grey T-shirt with our logo on front is \$6)

Clothes – One pair of long pants, one long sleeve shirt, extra undies (you will change your underwear), an extra pair of Scout socks are nice to have. (Special note to Scouts taking Swimming & Lifesaving MB's: Bring an extra set of loose fitting clothes...pants, long sleeve shirt, shoes, & belt, you will jump into the pool with these on and remove them while in the pool!) The Staff will make sure your clothes are clean or will instruct you on how to wash them.

Hat – Troop hat. Only Troop hats are allowed. So earn your Tenderfoot BEFORE camp!

OA Sash – if you are a member of the Order of the Arrow

Poncho or rain suit – Yes, it can and usually does rain...be prepared!

Swimsuit – comfortable and respectable

Hiking Boots – Well broken in.

Old Tennis Shoes – lightweight to wear in camp. Plus an extra pair to wear in the pool (water shoes??) **No sandals! No open toed shoes.**

Towel – Big and old.

Cup – to use in campsite...with your name on it...with your name on it.

Canteen – Nalgene with a wide mouth is best. A camelback will work also. It must have water in it to work properly.

Flashlight – with extra batteries.

Pocket knife – MUST have a folding blade.

Bug Repellent – YES! **Non** aerosol type.

Sunscreen – A must for the pool. Sunglasses will look very cool. **Non** aerosol type.

Personal Hygiene Kit – Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Soap, TP (provided, but you never know), medicines, shampoo. Bring these things this time and actually use them, or you will find yourself camping by yourself in the stinky section. Please brush your teeth every morning or "the mama" will have the Staff do it for you!

First Aid Kit – the regular kit you always bring...pain reliever, Band-Aids, Pepto, etc.

Camera – Optional...Small disposable ones work great, but only if your name is on it. **NO PHONES**

Scout Handbook – for advancement. **Greencard too!**

Merit Badge Pamphlets – Go to the Scout Office and buy the ones you need before camp. Read them.

Pen, Pencil, Notebook – for your MB classes.

Watch – To help you to get to places on time...on time!! (no “fancy watches” aka, cell phones)

Small Backpack – Like the one you use for school. You will carry all the stuff you need in it. (canteen, pamphlets, notebook, sunscreen, camera, rain gear, etc.)

Coat Hanger – Bring several to hang your shirt and other stuff on. Clothes pins too.

Rope – Always bring a small piece (20 ft of nylon parachute cord is enough)

Letter – **YES, you will write to your family, so bring an envelope with a stamp on it.**

Games – To play in camp during your free time. Risk, cards, chess, etc. NO electronics! Maybe even a book.

Guitars – All musical instruments are allowed. Will T-17 have its own band again this year?

Money – In a billfold with your name on it or something you will not lose. Enough to buy snacks and stuff.

Spice – Bring one spice of your choice, we take our troop spice box to every meal.

NO Cell Phones, Portable CD Players or I-pods OR DVD PLAYERS OR TVs! – (yes, I had to add DVD/TV's to the list because of previous years...you know who you are!) The outdoor experience is somehow diminished by blaring music or watching you listen to blaring music. Electronics found at camp will be confiscated and secured by the OF. PARENTS, PLEASE STRESS THIS WITH YOUR SCOUTS! We're not kidding.

REMEMBER – YOU MUST HAVE A BSA MEDICAL FORM SIGNED BY A PHYSICIAN TURNED IN AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO ATTENDING CAMP! THIS FORM MUST HAVE BEEN SIGNED BY YOUR PHYSICIAN WITHIN THE LAST 12 MONTHS! WE CANNOT MAKE EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.

Questions? Please contact your patrol leader or the staff.

Shirts of the Day – the following shirts will be work by the Troop on each day. Wear your Scout shorts and knee socks every day (do you need an extra pair or two?)

Sunday – Arrive in full uniform with your swimsuit on underneath. Wear your Grey T17 shirt also.

Monday – WR2015 Light Red Tshirt 'The originals'

Tuesday – WR2016 Yellow Tshirt 'Semper Paratus'

Wednesday – WR2017 Purple Tshirt 'Super Frog'

Thursday – Plain white Tshirt with the T17 Super Frog logo painted on the back (we can paint it on if you need it)

Friday – New Tshirt for 2018 if the staff gets them printed in time

Saturday – Grey Troop Tshirt

Special Items for Patrol Members to Bring: Turn these in to an adult when we get to our campsite:

Flaming Arrow Patrol Members - Watermelons- for a special fruit experience. 2 each if you can.

Eagle Patrol Members - Big bags of chips and dips.

Panther Patrol Members – Large Bag of Cookies (several bags ideally). We will snack on these.

Staff - Apples, oranges, bananas, grapes or other fruit.

OF – Drink mixes...Kool Aid, Gatorade, etc. it makes the water taste better! Bring large packages we will use them for the troop water jugs. 2 packages if you can. A bag of ice would be handy too.

Troop 17

Worth Ranch Summer Camp – June 17th-23rd

General Information for Scouts and Parents

Yes, it's that time of year again! Troop 17 heads out to Worth Ranch for summer camp! The awesome WR Staff puts on a program filled with games, contests and campfires. They also offer instruction in Scout skills and merit badges. During the week we eat "dining hall style" which leaves more time for advancement and fun. "The Big Adventure" is a GREAT weeklong summer camp for all of our Scouts, and will be a memorable experience for everyone who attends.

The cost is \$260.00 for the week. Mr. Peterson is collecting money at every Troop meeting. You must be paid in full the week prior to camp starting to attend.

Everyone will need a current physical signed by a physician and completed on a BSA medical form. Even if you turned in a form last year, we will need a new one – they are only valid for 12 months and require a physician's signature. If you need a new form, they are available online at

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf

We will **not** be taking the Troop bus, as most parents like to drive their scout to Worth Ranch and see the camp for themselves. We will meet AT CAMP on Sunday, June 17th at 12:00 pm. Be on time because we have several check-in activities to accomplish that afternoon. Camp is over Saturday morning, June 23rd. Please plan on picking up your son at Worth Ranch at 10:00 am. If you need a map just ask.

We sleep in wall tents with platforms provided by the camp. Bring a cot, and a footlocker or Rubbermaid Action Packer to keep your gear in. These are especially good if they slide under your cot.

Full Uniforms, including our Troop hat will be worn every day at supper. New Scouts should make plans to earn your Tenderfoot before camp. If you need patches sewn on, now is the time. An extra pair of scout socks is a nice thing to have. We want everyone in the tall red and green socks – ALL WEEK. If you don't have a pair, we have plenty available at the Scout Lodge. As always put your name on everything!! We wear Class B uniforms with troop hats the rest of the week. SMILE, it's a Troop 17 tradition and we are ALWAYS the sharpest troop in camp!

Getting sunburned at camp is NO fun, so begin working on your tan now. Consider a shorter haircut, it's much cooler and is easier to take care of (just ask Mr. Bogle).

Plan on bringing money to spend at the Trading Post, they sell everything! However, it's a good idea to buy your MB pamphlets before camp and maybe even study the requirements??? Some MB's like Basketry & Leatherwork require kits, which are sold at the TP. If you are taking Rifle or Shotgun MB's bring extra money for ammo & shells.

Important Additional Information for Parents (save this page at home)

Parents please mail your Scout several letters. **Mail them early**, the camp address is:

Your scout's name
Troop 17
Worth Ranch
PO Box 27
Palo Pinto, Texas 76484

Thursday night is family night. You may come out and visit us if you like. The camp serves dinner for a small fee, usually \$5-6 and there is a Campfire Program to enjoy. Many of the Scouts will want food from the real world by this point. **Discuss this with them now so we can let the dining hall staff know how many to plan for. We will get the count on Tuesday before we leave.**

Please make sure your Scout knows in advance if you will be coming out.

We love to have the families come out and see where we have been living. After campfire, parents head home as we go hiking up Kyle Mountain.

For OF that are staying at Worth, you will need the same Troop shirts as the boys. Class "A" uniforms are the norm also. They look great and they are tax deductible (check with your tax advisor for real tax advice).