



SCOUTS BSA SUMMER CAMP

**JOIN US AT
GOSHEN SCOUT RESERVATION!**



WHY SUMMER CAMP?

Summer camp is the pinnacle of the Scouting year, where all that Scouting stands for – adventure growth, community, and character – come together in an immersive experience.

- Immersive outdoor adventure
- Advancement Opportunities
- Leadership Development
- Unit Bonding
- Mentorship and Role Models
- Tradition and Spirit



WELCOME TO GOSHEN SCOUT RESERVATION!



WHY GOSHEN?

We strive to provide Scouts with a memorable camping experience and prepare them for the next step in their Scouting journey – Scouts BSA!

- Three distinct Scouts BSA camp experiences on one reservation
- Large, scenic lake with aquatics opportunities
- Nationally accredited, council-run operations with easy registration and growing leader resources
- Program diversity that supports retention and advancement



NEWS



**NCAC Executive Board Approves
\$1M Investment in
Goshen Scout Reservation &
Launches Feasibility Study**



SCOUTS BSA RESIDENT CAMP OVERVIEW

GSR offers three, week-long resident camping experiences for Scouts BSA youth and their units.

- **Sunday – Saturday (7 days, 6 nights)**
- **Located in Goshen, VA**
 - **Approx. 3 hours south of the Nation's Capital**
- **Who should attend?**
 - **All registered youth and adult leaders in your unit!**

CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE!



CAMP OLMSTED



CAMP MARRIOTT



CAMP BOWMAN

CAMP OLMSTED

Built for growth and advancement

- Dining Hall with family style dining
- Traditional Merit Badge Program offerings
- Specialty Program Area: Tech Center
- Recommended for: Troops comprised with younger Scouts looking for a guided, advancement-rich environment



CAMP MARRIOTT

Versatile Programs and Personal Adventure.

- Patrol Cooking & Heater Stack style dining service.
- Large program variety and merit badge opportunities
- Specialty Program area: The Guild (Trade Skills)
- Recommended for: Units with diverse program interests



CAMP BOWMAN

Rugged Skills and Lasting Leadership.

- Patrol Cooking style food service.
- Troop-centered through the patrol method
- Emphasis on outdoor skills and personal leadership development
- Recommended for: Experienced units who want to camp and cook together, and build troop cohesion





Aquatics



Eagle Advancement



Ecology / Nature



Handicraft



Scoutcraft



Range & Target Activities

FIRST YEAR CAMPER PROGRAMS

Each Scouts BSA Resident Camp at GSR offers a First Year Camper program, focusing on select requirements for the Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks.

- **Topics include:**
 - **Fire building**
 - **patrol method**
 - **scout spirit**
 - **first aid**
 - **knots and lashings**
 - **Totin' Chip**
 - **Navigation**
 - **outdoor ethics**
- **Daily Schedule**
 - **Half Day: Skills building and advancement**
 - **Half Day: Merit Badge program**



OLDER SCOUT PROGRAMS



COPE & CLIMBING



ATV PROGRAM



OSPREY



PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

The provisional program is for Scouts to attend summer camp without their unit or in small groups (such as a parent and child). Provisional Scouts camp together for the week, becoming a “provisional unit”.

- **Provisional Scouts will:**
 - Experience at activities and programs at their registered camp
- Leadership provided by attending provisional adult leaders and camp staff.
- Provisional Camp offered at:
 - Camp Marriott Weeks 1 – 4
 - Camp Olmsted Week 5



A DAY IN THE LIFE

7:50 AM: Flags Ceremony

8:00 AM: Breakfast

9:00 – 9:50 AM: Period 1

10:00 – 10:50 AM: Period 2

11:00 – 11:50 AM: Period 3

12:00 – 2:00 PM: Lunch & Siesta

2:00 PM – 2:50 PM: Period 4

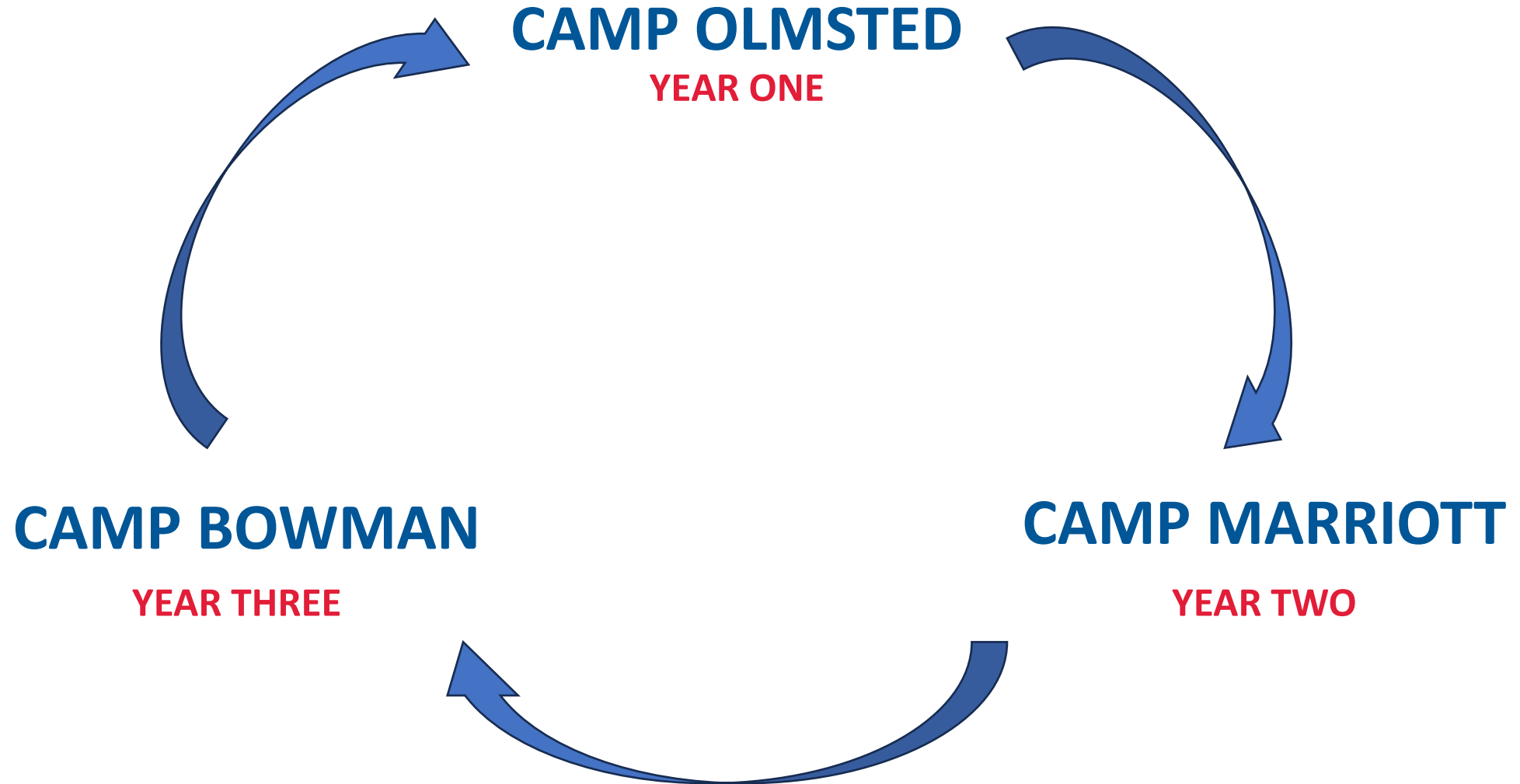
3:00 PM – 3:50 PM: Period 5

4:00 PM – 4:50 PM: Period 6

6:00 PM: Dinner

7:00 – 8:00 PM: Evening Program

SCOUTS BSA PROGRESSION PLAN



AMENITIES & FACILITIES





YOUR CAMPSITE, YOUR HOME

Your campsite is your home base for the week. Each campsite comes equipped with:

- Canvas tents on wooden platforms
- Cots (two per tent)
- Picnic Tables
- Shade Fly
- Campfire Circle
- Latrine w/ handwashing stand and potable water

Troops are assigned their campsites prior to arrival at GSR and are guided to their site after arrival by a staff member (site guide).

AMENITIES

We're here for your every need! Goshen Scout Reservation has several facilities and amenities to help you to be comfortable during your stay with us (vary camp to camp).

- **Camp Olmsted: Indoor Dining Hall**
- **Shower House – *Ventilation upgraded in 2025 at select facilities!***
 - **17 Single Shower Stalls**
 - **Flushing Bathrooms**
- **Shared Leader's Lounge at all camps**
 - **Fiberoptic Internet at Camp Marriott, *with plans to expand***
 - **Wi-Fi Pucks at Camp Olmsted & Bowman**
 - **Primary Cell Phone Provider: Verizon**
- **Electricity available in buildings for charging electronics**
- **Camp Post (Headquarters): Adult leader training facility & Internet**



DINING SERVICES

Goshen Scout Reservation offers three dining styles for Scouts BSA unit based on their camp selection – Dining Hall, Patrol Cooking, and Heater Stack.



- **Dining Hall: Meals served family style (food brought to your tables to self serve)**
- **Patrol Cooking: Scouts cook each meal in their campsite.**
- **Heater Stack: Scouts pick up cooked food from the commissary and bring back to their campsite.**
- **Sunday dinner through Saturday breakfast are provided**
- **Nut free dining facility**
- **Fresh fruit available at all times**
- **Sample menus available at www.gotogoshen.org/food**

SUPPORTING DIETARY NEEDS

We're prepared to support you and your Scouts for all their dining needs!

- **Nut-free dining facility**
- **We're prepared for you!**
 - **Dedicated vegetarian menu**
 - **Food allergy and dietary restriction accommodation**
 - **Including gluten free and dairy free**
 - **Ingredient lists available on request**

Dietary restrictions and allergies must be reported as a part of your camper registration and prior to arrival to provide the best possible service.





FIRST AID & HEALTH LODGE

Each GSR resident camp has a dedicated First Aid room, where a trained staff member is available 24 hours a day.

Your camp first aider has access to the Goshen Scout Reservation Health Lodge team, comprised of trained medical professionals to provide consult and additional support.

We maintain a close relationship with our local medical and emergency services, allowing us to connect you with the best care possible when beyond Scout-rendered first aid is needed, including mental health support and counseling.

TRADING POST

The most popular spot at camp! Goshen Scout Reservation supports a trading post at each of our resident camps, where we supply:

- **Apparel (T-Shirts, Hoodies, Sweatpants, Socks, etc.)**
- **Souvenirs**
- **Camping Equipment**
- **Snacks & Ice Cream**
- **Drinks & Slushies**

The Memorial Trading Post, located at GSR's headquarters', Camp Post, also includes the Goshen Scout Reservation Museum, as well as merchandise for all 5 of our camp operations.



CAMP LOGISTICS



SUMMER 2026 SCHEDULE

Session	Dates
Week 1	June 21 – June 27
Week 2	June 28 – July 4
Week 3	July 5 – July 11
Week 4	July 12 – July 18
Week 5 (Olmsted Only)	July 19 – July 25

COST OF CAMP

<u>2025 COSTS</u>	Price Per Camper	If Paid By...
Early Discount Price	Youth: \$565.00 Adult: \$300.00	April 15, 2025
Regular Price	Youth: \$595.00 Adult: \$340.00	After April 15, 2025

- Unit Registration Fee: \$200.00
 - Helps us to be best prepared for your arrival at Goshen Scout Reservation
 - Separate from camper costs, non refundable
- Camper Deposit: \$100.00
 - Due February 15, 2026
 - Gains commitment for camper attendance early, applied to individual camper cost
- Free Adults: Receive one free adult for every 10 registered youth





FINANCIAL AID / CAMPERSHIPS

We believe that no youth should be turned away from the opportunity to attend summer camp. National Capital Area Council provides financial aid up to 50% of the cost of camp.

- To apply for a “campership”, visit the financial support page on www.ncacscouting.org.
 - To apply for a campership at the Goshen Scout Reservation, select “NCAC Scouts BSA Resident Camp at Goshen” on the financial assistance request form
 - Recipients will receive a campership voucher to apply to their camp registration

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

All Scouting America membership and supervision requirements must be followed, as detailed in the Guide for Safe Scouting.

- **At all times, a unit must have two adults over the age of 21 who are registered in Scouting America present.**
 - *If your unit has a youth female camper attending, then one of the registered adult leaders must be female*
- **In Scouts BSA, all attending adults and youth must be current members of Scouting America at time of attendance.**
 - *Registration as a merit badge counselor position does not meet this requirement. Please refer to the Guide for Safe Scouting for a list of approved adult registration fee required positions.*
- **Have an adult who can't attend a full week of camp? Split the week with another adult!**



WHAT COMES NEXT?

Six Steps for Preparing Your Summer Adventure

1. Pick a date!
2. Get on your Troop committee meeting agenda to inform attendance at GSR
3. Review the GSR Leader's Guide
4. Add GSR to your Troop Calendar
5. Present GSR to your Troop
6. Register your Troop to attend GSR





REGISTER YOUR UNIT NOW!

Registration for Summer 2026 is live!

As you promote GSR to your unit and gain their interest and commitment, we encourage you to gather the following information:

- **What week will you be attending GSR?**
- **How many youth do you think will attend?**
- **How many adults do you think will attend?**

To register, visit www.gotogoshen.org/registration and select “Register for Camp XXXX 2026.”



THANK YOU!

Goshen Scout Reservation

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