

# Camp Parsons

*Where the Mountains Meet the Sea*



## Parent Information Sheet

**Camp Parsons Office**  
**(360) 796-4427**

Sunday: 12:30 – 4:45 PM, 7:15 – 8:30 PM  
Mon-Fri: 9:00 – 11:45 AM, 1:30 – 4:45 PM, 7:15 – 8:15 PM  
Saturday: 6:30 AM – 8:30 AM

**Chief Seattle Council Camping Department: (206) 725-0361 (Mon-Fri)**

***Make sure your scout has packed everything they need, including medicines and their Annual Health & Medical Record form Parts A, B, and C, signed by a doctor and parent/guardian.***

**Money** Plan to send \$40–60 per scout for the trading post and merit badge supplies.

**Visiting** Visitors are always welcome to come and enjoy camp for the day, but only registered members of the BSA (who are registered for camp) can stay overnight. Nearby overnight accommodations include Dosewallips State Park and Seal Rock Campground. Visitors are welcome at our closing campfire on Friday night – please assemble with your troop in front of the Silver Marmot Grill at 8:45 PM. **All visitors must check in at the camp office.**

**Meals** If you are visiting and would like to eat at the dining hall, you can purchase a meal ticket from the Trading Post once you arrive (or you can have your scoutmaster purchase for you ahead of time). As we assign each seat in the dining hall based on the troop's size, you will likely eat in the visitors section, not with the troop. Meal tickets are \$6 for breakfast, \$7 for lunch, and \$8 for dinner.

**Departure** Please arrive to pick up scouts by 8:45 AM. Camp closes at 9:00–9:30 AM.

**Mail** Address mail with your scout's name and their troop number. Plan to send mail at least 3 days before you would like it to arrive, **no later than Wednesday of your session.**

Scout's Name, Troop #  
Camp Parsons  
970 Bee Mill Rd  
Brinnon WA 98320

**Prepare your scout for the following...**

Adult leaders are volunteering their time and want to help the kids have fun and grow. They are not babysitters. Be sure to prepare your Scout and communicate any concerns or special needs with your adult leaders in advance of camp.

**Personal Management** While at camp your Scout will enjoy a higher degree of freedom and responsibility than they are probably accustomed to while at home. They will have to get to merit badge sessions and other activities on time, perform various duties within the campsite (including doing dishes, taking out trash, etc.), and be responsible for their behavior with limited adult supervision. They will have many opportunities to demonstrate leadership within the troop and should actively participate and volunteer.

**First time away from home?** For younger Scouts, being away from home for an extended period can be hard. Please prepare your child by letting them know how proud you are that they are spending a full week away from home and having fun. Tell them that the first few days might be hard as they get used to being away from home, but that by finding activities they enjoy, they will enjoy themselves.

**Finances** It is recommended that an adult from your troop serve as a 'banker,' giving your scout their spending money in small amounts at a time. If your Scout is not used to spending money without supervision, please prepare them so they do not eat too much candy and instead spend money on things like merit badge supplies.

**Don't forget to bring...**

**Water shoes!** Our beaches have rocks and oyster shells, so please have your scout bring either sandals (closed-toed preferred) or an old pair of tennis shoes that can get wet.

**Mess kit!** For Wednesday's lunch and dinner, your scout will be cooking food in their campsite, and will need a mess kit and utensils.

**Scout Handbook** Scouts who earn First Class in their first year of Scouting are far more likely to stay involved and earn Eagle, so if your scout is not yet First Class, please have them bring their handbook and encourage them to participate in the Trail to First Class program.