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Order of the Arrow
Ordeal
2020
health & safety Guide
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Welcome

Welcome to your Induction into the Order of the Arrow! It is a unique time of personal discovery and growth. While this year might not look like any year that has come before or any year that will come after, joining the National Honor Society for Scouting knows no boundaries and will always provide meaningful programs. We also know that attending any activities during this unprecedented time can be stressful and worrisome. We provide the information in this guide to earn your complete confidence when the Lodge gathers for events such as this. We especially encourage parents to review the health and safety section that answers many of your questions about the changes to how we conduct activities during COVID-19 and our commitment to safety. If you have any additional questions after reading through this guide, please contact your local Chapter Advisers or our Lodge Adviser, Kevin Burg at burgfmfs@cooper.com, or 760-715-2141. We want to do everything within our power to earn your trust and ensure that you or your youth child do not miss out on the chance to become a member of the Order of the Arrow.
The cost of your Induction:

$55 for each candidate. This fee covers the cost of your sashes for both Ordeal and Brotherhood, an OA Handbook, and meals.

For current Arrowmen, the fee will be $15.
For Elangomats, the fee will be $5

**How to Register**

Registration is online. You can simply click on [https://sdicbsa.doubleknot.com/event/tiwahe-lodge-order-of-the-arrow-inductions-2020/2642608](https://sdicbsa.doubleknot.com/event/tiwahe-lodge-order-of-the-arrow-inductions-2020/2642608)

Scouts will register individually for camp. There are no group registrations and payment is needed 5 days prior to arrival at Camp Balboa.

**Cancellation Policy**

Requests for refunds less than two weeks will be at the discretion of the Staff Partner and only for extreme, extenuating circumstances.

Please submit all requests for cancellations and refunds to our Staff Partner, Mr. Derek Hartley at derek.hartley@scouting.org, 1207 Upas Street, San Diego, CA. 92103. Please allow 2-3 weeks after camp dates for processing of your refund if applicable.
SCHEDULE

Dates

Inductions are scheduled for the following weekends:

Lodge Ordeal Weekend 1 (September 11-12)

Chapter Ordeal Weekend 2 (October 2-3)

Chapter Ordeal Weekend 3 (October 9-10)

Times

Friday night will begin promptly at 9:00 pm. Check-in is between 7:00 pm-8:00 pm. Any one late will have to attend one of our future dates.

Saturday session will begin with breakfast and will conclude NLT 7:00 P.M.

Location

Camp Balboa, 1207 Upas Street, San Diego, CA 92103
What will you need

Please make sure to label all items with Scout’s name and unit number.

◆ Meals will be individually packaged for both candidates and staff.

◆ Daypack or backpack to hold personal gear

◆ Candidates need a Sleeping bag and Ground Cloth (NO TENTS)

◆ Candidates should arrive in the service uniform and bring a scout t-shirt to work in.
◆ Camp Chair – you cannot use anyone else’s so they should be marked.

◆ Water bottle

◆ Sunscreen

◆ Notebook and pencil

◆ Personal medications in original containers

Required Forms

1. BSA Health Annual Health and Medical Record (part A and B only)

2. Scout Participation Permission Form signed by a parent for all participants under 18 years of age.
1. All participants must be a current registered member of the Boy Scouts of America to attend Induction. It is **not** permitted because of health, safety and insurance reasons for non-registered youth to attend the induction.

2. The Scout Oath and Law are the codes of conduct for behavior during the induction process.

3. Youth Protection guidelines must always be followed by youth and adults.

4. Hazing, initiation or any type of physical or emotional abuse to any person in on Camp Balboa will not be tolerated at any time. Immediate action will be taken to correct these occurrences should it be necessary.

5. Everyone must check-in and check-out of Camp Balboa.

6. There will be no visitors during induction that are not necessary for program delivery.

7. The buddy system is used at all times. Whenever a Scout leaves a program area for any reason, the buddy must accompany the Scout. They must still practice social distancing.

8. Alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, fireworks and firearms are not permitted on camp Balboa.

9. The San Diego-Imperial Council observes the *Smoke Free Policy* of the Boy Scouts of America, which prohibits smoking in all facilities of the council and of the Boy Scouts of America.

10. Vandalism, theft, personal injury or other illegal actions will not be tolerated.

11. Any emergency in camp will be handled quickly and effectively. All participants are asked to go immediately to the field upon hearing the bullhorn siren. Staff will take roll call of their Scouts and await further instructions from a camp leadership.

12. All Arrowmen spending the night must be in separate tents unless from same household.
Check-In

On Friday night, everyone attending will have a medical screening when they arrive at camp. Scouts should arrive between 7:00 pm and 8:00pm to ensure a prompt program start time of 9:00 pm. No Exceptions!

As you enter the camp, stay in your car and drive to the right of the service center to check in. Do not get out of your car until you have had your medical screening. Scouts who are being dropped off will drive into the camp on the right side of the service center following the signs at Camp Balboa where they will be greeted by staff. Anyone who is accompanying a Scout to the induction but is not attending the induction is asked to **REMAIN** in their vehicle. Signs will be posted directing candidates and staff where to go. **Do not have your scout exit the vehicle until they have had their screening.**

Once you have had your screening, either park in designated parking spaces in the back of camp or the tree area by front gate, please leave blacktop parking for patrons of the store.

(No one is to park on the street in front of the homes) and walk to Campsite one for check-in.

Everyone will also need to submit their required forms upon arrival at camp. So please have them ready.
Check-Out

All Scouts will be picked up between **7:00 pm and 7:15 pm**. Scouts will only be released to people listed on their forms. Check-out will follow the same route as check-in. Drive into the council backlot along the right side of the service center and pick up your Scout by Campsite One.

*Anyone who is not an induction participant is asked to **REMAIN** in their vehicle.*
Medical Supervision
A qualified Health Officer is on duty at all times and trained in dealing with the emergency and non-emergency medical needs of the event. In the event of serious accident or illness, transportation will be arranged to the closest, most appropriate medical care facility. Parents will be contacted immediately in any case where the Scout must leave camp property to obtain further medical care.

Prescription Medicine
Pursuant to National BSA regulations, all prescription medication must be kept locked up. If a scout must take medication while on Camp Balboa, they must be turned into the Camp Health Officer during registration and will be kept under locked supervision. Written instructions should be included with the Scout's full name, medication name, when to be administered and what quantity to be administered. Emergency medications i.e. rescue inhalers, epi• pens, etc. should be kept with the camper. Pursuant to State regulations all medications must be in the original prescription container with the pharmacy label attached.

Be Prepared!
As we get ready your Induction, we are continually reviewing all the information from the CDC and state and local health officials. We are also following the Day Camp Guidelines from the California Department of Health. In the following pages, you will see information on procedures that are in place to protect the staff and participants in our program.
Program Format

The first step of protection is limited group sizes. This allows attendees to be able to stay in the same program area with the same Scout and staff the entire time they are at Camp Balboa. This also eliminates sharing of equipment and supplies between groups.

Know Before You Go

We ask that you review some information with your Scout so they are prepared for a safe camp experience:

♦ Handwashing: Clean Hands Save Lives
♦ A Healthy Camp Begins and Ends at Home
♦ When You Should Stay Home
♦ How to Protect Yourself and Others
♦ Wearing and removing cloth face masks

Keeping Camp Clean

All staff will help maintain a clean environment by monitoring, cleaning and disinfecting their program areas. The camp will also have dedicated cleaning staff in addition to the staff in each program area. Cleaning staff will clean and disinfect each bathroom facility multiple several times throughout the day on a rotation. Program areas will be cleaned and disinfected in accordance with CDC guidelines prior to meals and at the end of the day.
A Scout is Clean

We will be providing ample hand washing stations and alcohol based hand sanitizer throughout camp. Scouts and staff will be required to wash their hands before eating and when switching activities. Clans will be assigned bathroom facilities to limit mixing of groups.

Scouts and staff are encouraged to bring their own supply of protective equipment (sanitizer, gloves, etc.) in addition to what is provided at camp if they feel necessary.

A Scout is Courteous

Scouts and staff will be encouraged to maintain physical distancing at all times. When physical distancing is not possible, Scouts and staff will be required to wear cloth face coverings. Scouts and staff should bring a camp chair so they can comfortably space themselves out within their program area. Tables and benches will be available in each program area but we think most Scouts would be more comfortable in their own chair.

A Scout is Trustworthy

Scouts and staff are asked to self-monitor at home in the weeks leading up to camp. The pre camp screening form does not have to be submitted to camp but Scouts and staff will be asked about their completion of the form upon check-in. Scouts and staff will also be screened upon arrival at camp each day. It is imperative that all Scouts and staff be honest in their responses during these screenings.
Preventing Illness in Camp

Scouts and staff will need to complete a pre camp screening in the days leading up to camp. If anyone reports any symptoms during prescreening, they will not be allowed to stay for the induction. If someone feels sick while at camp, they will be isolated in the medical lodge and only one health officer will have contact with them allowing the other medical officer to continue to take care of other Scouts. The sick person will remain in isolation until they can be taken home or sent to a healthcare facility. Afterwards, the area will be properly disinfected in accordance with CDC guidelines.

Over-Night Camping

Candidates and staff will not be permitted to camp in groups at any time to maintain safe distancing per county regulations. Staff are allowed to tent camp, but only single occupancy unless with a member of the same household.

Vulnerable Populations

Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. Persons in this group should ensure they have approval from their health care provider prior to attending camp.
Arrowmen interested in volunteering to help at induction please reach out to the Lodge Adviser Kevin Burg at burgfmfscw@yahoo.com

Tent camping is allowed but must be single occupancy unless members of the same household. Absolutely no sleeping inside any council buildings.

All staff are to have in their possession a BSA Health Annual Health and Medical Record (part A and B only) annual