

Troop leadership present at the campout had several impromptu/informal meetings over the weekend, and came to consensus on bringing some proposed changes to the T346 parent committee meeting. The proposed changes are as follows:

#### Leadership Presence at Meetings and Events:

- For the protection of our youth, 346 considers it a minimum viable leadership team to have four (4) leaders present at any troop meeting or activity, one or more of which identifies as female, and one or more of which identifies as male.

Note: The troop strives to have at least 5 leaders present at all events as a contingency, at least two of which identify as male and at least two of which identify as female.

- The Tuesday meeting begins at 7:15, the Wednesday meeting begins at 7. For your Scout's and Scout Leader's protection, please do not drop youth off before these times without confirming that sufficient troop leadership is present to hold the meeting.
- If only a single gender of Scouts are attending an event, the minimum ratio is 3.
- Note: in BSA, gender is defined by your registration paperwork.

*This is a formalization of the current unwritten policy. This policy is in full compliance with BSA and Church youth protection guidelines.*

#### Event Registration and Cancellation Policy:

- Campout registration is due two Wednesdays (9 days) before the Friday departure for a weekend campout.
- Cancellation with no fee is available until the end of the meeting the Wednesday prior to the campout (camp minus 2 days).
- Full participation fee is charged for cancellations after this time.
- Policy applies to both Scouts and Leaders.
- Finding a replacement for yourself in that window is acceptable.
- Trooptrack is the method of registration.
- One forgiveness per rolling year.
- There will be no guaranteed refund for events with an additional fee, once the troop has officially made the commitment, RSVP, and formal payment for the event. Any future committed payments will still be charged according to prior commitment. Parents will sign a form committing to this and submit with the first payment.

*This is a change to current unwritten troop policy. Current policy is to provide full refunds for any cancellations. This is driving up the cost of Scouting with Troop 346, hence the proposed change.*

#### Grubmaster Procedure and Schedule:

- Grubmasters for each patrol will be selected at the meeting 17 days prior to the campout (Tuesday group) or 16 days prior (Wednesday group).

- Grubmasters have an opportunity to create their menus over the next week, and vet them with their patrol-mates the next meeting (10 and 9 days prior to the campout).
- Final campout attendance headcounts are provided to the Grubmasters at that meeting so they are able to determine quantities of food for generating the grocery list.
- Links to Instacart for Aldi will be provided to the Grubmasters after the meeting.
- At home, and prior to the next meeting (2 or 3 days before the campout), the Grubmasters will work with their budget (\$15/person attending the campout) to generate the weekend menu. The menu is typically prepared meals for breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, a cracker barrel snack that is prepared (e.g. s'mores) or does not require preparation (e.g. Oreos), and a Sunday breakfast that does not require preparation (e.g. fruit).
- Once the Instacart shopping list is generated, the Grubmaster will email or text their Scoutmaster (copying another leader or parent), or post in the troop Discord when they are complete.
- Scoutmasters will approve the menu, and purchase the food and transport it to the campout.

*Current policy is unclear on this subject. This change is being proposed to reduce the last-minute stress on Scouts and troop leadership, and to improve the quality of the nutrition and cooking/shopping experience for the Scouts and leaders attending the campouts.*