



2010 Camp Parsons High Adventure Treks



High adventure awaits you on the Olympic Peninsula. Since 1919 Scouts from all across the country have been coming to Camp Parsons for a premier experience in the outdoors. Whether it is a week of canoeing on the Puget Sound or hiking one of the many trails of the Olympic Peninsula, Camp Parsons high adventure will challenge older Scouts looking for an excellent outdoor experience. Come and be a part of one of the Boy Scouts' most historic high adventure programs.

Participant Requirements

Registered Scouts or Venturers must be at least 13 years old by January 1, 2010, have earned or demonstrated knowledge of First Class Boy Scout Rank requirements and be in good health. For mountain climbing treks, participants must be 14 years old by January 1, 2010. Participants can register as a unit or as individuals.

About the Treks

Sea Kayaking/Canoeing:

Camp Parsons is one of only a handful of Boy Scout camps operating a saltwater aquatics program. Our home on the Hood Canal provides outstanding canoe or kayak treks to many points on Puget Sound. Much like our Olympic hikes, Scouts are expected to take part in a small project improvement at one of the local state parks.

This adventure begins and ends at Camp Parsons on Jackson Cove, "where the mountains meet the sea." Scouts will canoe along the shores of the Hood Canal, experiencing unmatched scenery and wildlife while meeting the challenges of navigation and planning. The forces of nature, the wind and tides, will give you a daily challenge as you spend your week exploring a part of the Puget Sound. The duration and length of the canoe trek may qualify you for a 50-mile Float Award. Instruction will be given on properly packing a canoe or kayak, and preparations for a week-long expedition.

Canoe treks can accommodate 28 individuals; kayak treks have a maximum of 20.

Hiking:

Camp Parsons is located near some of the best hiking trails in the northwest. Many of the trails established today on the Olympic Peninsula were either developed by or first hiked by Scouts from Camp Parsons. Del Monte Ridge, Scout Lake, and many other landmarks were named in honor of Parsons staff members or the Scouting program. You have a unique opportunity to participate by yourself or with members of your troop on these historic hikes. Depending on the trip the group chooses, you will be hiking anywhere from 35 to 50 miles in 5 days. There will be opportunities for cross country (off trail) treks, day hikes from an established base camp, and times to relax in your trail camp or go fishing. As Scouts, we help the park or Forest Service with trail projects to make the outdoors better than we found it. Your hike master is an experienced and trained Parsons staff member who is very knowledgeable of the Olympic Peninsula. Instruction will be provided in hiking, backpacking, low-impact camping, and other skills needed for a week long mountain trek. Hikes are limited to 9 Scouts and 2 adults.

Other Details

High adventure treks are not for first year campers. We are looking for experienced Scouts who wish to challenge themselves and their skills. Please note the age, rank and medical requirements on the registration form. Food, tents, and kayaks/canoes will be provided to all treks as needed. You will be expected to provide your own hiking gear. A full list of required equipment will be provided to you prior to your adventure.

Olympic hiking trips are limited in size by government restrictions. Sign up early and become part of one of the oldest Scouting traditions in the United States.



Camp Parsons 2010 High Adventure Application Form

Individual Scouts: Complete the personal information section. Ranking your preference 1 to 3, select the week and program you wish to attend. Submit this completed application with your **\$25** deposit. Full fee of **\$245** per person must be paid by June 8, 2010. The unit will be responsible for making timely payments.. Due dates for these installments will be noted in your statements.

Troops/Teams/Crews: Complete the unit information section and list the number of attendees. Ranking your preference 1 to 3, select the week and program your unit wishes to attend. Submit completed application with **\$25** per person deposit, or full payment if registering after June 8, 2010.

All Scouts must be at least 13 years of age on January 1, 2010. All Scouts must hold the Rank of 1st Class or higher. All participants must bring a completed Annual Health & Medical form.

Personal Information

Name _____

Troop/Team/Crew # _____ Scout Rank _____

Birthdate ___/___/___ (mo/day/year) Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Unit leader name (print)

Unit leader signature

Parent/guardian name (print)

Parent/guardian signature

****Submit \$25 deposit with this completed form.**

Unit Information

Troop/Team/Crew# _____ Phone #(_____) _____

Unit leader name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Number of Scouts _____ Number of Adults _____

I understand that Scouts attending this high adventure trek must be at least 13 on January 1, 2010, and must be 1st Class Scouts.

Unit leader signature

Attending ___ X **\$25 deposit = \$ _____

Deposit enclosed

Hiking Kayaking* Canoeing*

Week preferred	Choice (1-3)	Choice (1-3)	Choice (1-3)
June 27-July 3			
July 4-10			
July 11-17			
July 18-24			
July 25-31			
Aug 1-7			
August 8-14			
August 15-21			

****Deposits are not refundable unless a unit or camper cannot be placed in the camp or dates chosen. Lost deposits may not be applied to the balance of a unit's fees. In the event of accident, illness, or extreme extenuating circumstances, refunds up to 50% of camp fees may be made if requested in writing at least 15 days prior to your scheduled arrival at camp.**

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***All participants in the canoe and kayak treks MUST pass the swimmers test at Camp Parsons. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

**High Adventure
POLICIES and PROCEDURES**

Things to remember when signing up for summer camps. Please read carefully and sign the space provided on the front of this form.

1. *Deposits and Fees*

A deposit is required to reserve space for your troop at summer camp. Fees for 2010 are **\$245** per person, and are the same for in council as well as out of council units. The unit will be responsible for making timely payments for the January, March, and June installment dates. For more information please visit our website www.seattlebsa.org or call the camping department at (206)725-0361.

2. *Refunds*

Deposits are nonrefundable unless a unit or camper cannot be placed in the camp or dates chosen. Lost deposits may not be applied to the balance of a unit's fees. In the event of accident, illness or **extreme** extenuating circumstances, refunds of up to 50% of camp fees may be made if requested in writing at least 15 days prior to your scheduled arrival at camp.

3. *Leadership Requirements*

Each crew must have two adult leaders. Crew leaders must be at least 21 years of age, assistants at least 18 years of age.

4. *Medical Information*

The Annual Health & Medical form requires physical exams by a medical doctor every year.

5. *Insurance*

Camp does not carry health and accident insurance. Each unit is required to obtain its own coverage for Scouts attending camp. Carrier, policy number, and expiration date must be submitted before the first Friday in April to confirm site reservation.