



# 2023 National Scout Jamboree

## July 19-28, 2023

We have an exciting once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to tell you about: The National Scout Jamboree, which is coming up next summer 2023. Every four years, scouts from across the country and the world gather together to share the “greatest scouting experience on earth.” This tradition was started to celebrate the 25 anniversary of scouting and the first Jamboree held in Washington, D.C. in the summer of 1937 (the 1935 Jamboree was cancelled due to a polio outbreak). Beginning in 2010, a permanent home was found in the wilderness of West Virginia to hold the Jamboree at The Summit: Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve, an 11,400 acre property.

Imagine camping with tens of thousands of scouts in a massive state of the art facility, that includes High Adventure Areas constructed on the property specifically for Jamborees:

- The Park (skateboarding)
- The Trax (BMX)
- The Pools (scuba and swimming)
- The Cloud (popular science & robotics)
- The Bows (archery sports)
- The Barrels (shooting sports)
- The Ropes (challenge courses in the trees)
- The Rocks (climbing, bouldering and rappelling)
- The Zip (zipline)
- Low & High Gear (mountain bike headquarters locations connecting over 36 miles of downhill and cross-country mountain bike trails)
- The Canopy (canopy tours)

Additionally, there are massive amphitheater shows (holding up to 80,000 people), exhibitions and demonstrations, patch-trading, hikes, white-water rafting trips, the longest Zipline in North America and many special guests.

Mt. Baker Council is forming contingent troops, both male and female, to send to the Jamboree next summer for ten days, along with a tour of the greater Washington, D.C. area and all the great monuments/attractions of our nation’s capital. We want you to be a part of this incredible opportunity.

More information will be available on the Mount Baker Council Website in the coming weeks, including a place to sign up (no obligation) to reserve your intended place and get more information. We will be holding information sessions for scouts and families interested in May. The sign-up deadline for scouts is after that information meeting in May.

If you are interested in applying to go as an adult leader, bringing our contingent troops on this once-in-a-lifetime trip, please contact Mark Hallerman, Mount Baker Council Jambo Chair at [markhallerman@hotmail.com](mailto:markhallerman@hotmail.com) for information and application. Adult applications are due March 16, 2022 (via email [markhallerman@hotmail.com](mailto:markhallerman@hotmail.com)) or to the Scout Office care of Professional Dan’l Adams.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions,

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