



CAMP BUD SCHIELE





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2027 PROGRAM GUIDE

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From the Camp Director



Dear Scouts and Scouters,

On behalf of the Piedmont Council, it is my pleasure to welcome you to Camp Bud Schiele for the 2027 camping season. Now in our 45th year, Camp Bud Schiele has been a place where Scouts come to challenge themselves, grow in character, and create lifelong memories in the outdoors. We are honored that you have chosen to be part of that tradition.

Camp Bud Schiele is more than just a summer destination—it is a place where the values of Scouting come to life. Through our programs, Scouts are encouraged to develop leadership skills, build confidence, and live out the ideals of the Scout Oath and Law. Whether participating in advancement opportunities, high-adventure activities, or camp wide events, every Scout will find meaningful experiences designed to inspire growth and fun. At Camp Bud Schiele, we want to be known for providing the **full camp experience,** not just a camp where you can earn a bunch of merit badges.

Our council works year-round to ensure that each program we offer is safe and engaging for all Scouts. From first-year campers to seasoned Scouts and leaders, we strive to provide an environment that is welcoming, supportive, and rooted in excellence. We are committed to delivering a high-quality camp experience that meets the needs of today's Scouts, while honoring the traditions that make Camp Bud Schiele special. At Camp Bud Schiele, our motto is always **- CAMPERS FIRST!**

As you review the Program Guide and prepare for the 2027 camp season, we encourage you to take full advantage of all that our camp has to offer. Our staff and I look forward to welcoming your Scouts to camp and sharing another outstanding year of Scouting, fellowship, and adventure.

Yours in Scouting,

Blaise Shiver
Camp Director

From the Advancement Committee

Camp Bud Schiele is proud to offer programs for scouts of all ages! First-year campers often enjoy our Trailhead Program, and scouts of all ages enjoy our merit badge program. In addition, older scouts can enjoy our skilled trades and select from several high adventure programs. We offer training courses and special activities for adult leaders and open programming in the evenings. For detailed descriptions of each program (and the most up-to-date information), please visit our website, www.campbudschiele.org, and browse through the program menu.

As you may know, the official Scouting America policy is that a registered Scout can request to take ANY merit badge offered in Scouting. However, we ask that leaders be “helpful” in the badges selected by their Scouts. Many of the merit badges are suited better for first or second year Scouts and we ask that you try and follow the camp recommendations. In addition, some of our programs are more suited toward scouts of a particular age, maturity, or skill level and age minimums are required for those programs.

Please keep in mind that the unit leaders are responsible for ensuring that all scouts meet maturity and skill level requirements for all merit badges and additional programs. Scouts who have already earned a merit badge should not sign up for that merit badge while at camp. Some merit badges do have age ***recommendations***, ***prerequisites***, and/or ***other requirements*** that cannot be completed while at camp. Details and a full list of prerequisites are available on our camp website.

We look forward to bringing your Scouts the ***BEST*** summer camp experience by providing an outstanding advancement program.

Rex Benfield
Piedmont Council, Advancement Chair



New Merit Badges Offered in 2027



Photography

The Handicraft area is excited to welcome the Photography merit badge. Beyond capturing family memories, photography offers a chance to be creative. Many photographers use photography to express their creativity, using lighting, composition, depth, color, and content to make their photographs into more than snapshots. Good photographs tell us about a person, a news event, a product, a place, a scientific breakthrough, an endangered animal, or a time in history.



Mammal Study

The Nature area is excited to welcome the Mammal Study merit badge. A mammal may weigh as little as 1/12 ounce, as do some shrews, or as much as 150 tons, like the blue whale. It may spring, waddle, swim, or even fly. But if it has milk for its young, has hair of some kind, is relatively intelligent, and has warm blood, then it is a mammal.



Astronomy

The Nature area is excited to welcome the Astronomy merit badge. In learning about astronomy, Scouts study how activities in space affect our own planet and bear witness to the wonders of the night sky: the nebulae, or giant clouds of gas and dust where new stars are born; old stars dying and exploding; meteor showers and shooting stars; the moon, planets, and a dazzling array of stars.



Cooking

The Scoutcraft area is excited to welcome the Cooking merit badge. The Cooking merit badge introduces principles of cooking that can be used both at home or in the outdoors. Scouts who earn this badge will learn about food safety, nutritional guidelines, meal planning, and methods of food preparation, and will review the variety of culinary (or cooking) careers available.



Safety

The Scoutcraft area is excited to welcome the Safety merit badge. Knowing about safety helps Scouts to make the right choices and to take the best actions to avoid accidents by making informed choices in their everyday activities and to respond appropriately during an emergency situation.

Aquatics

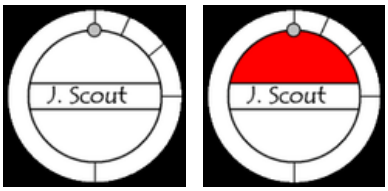
Recommended for All Scouts



Swimming



Kayaking/
Stand Up Paddleboarding



Non-Swimmer/
Beginner Instruction

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Canoeing



Lifesaving



Small Boat Sailing



Rowing

All scouts wanting to participate in waterfront Merit Badges must complete the Scouting America Swimmer Test. Non-Swimmer/Beginner instruction is available for Scouts who do not complete the Scouting America Swimmer Test. Please note, Non-Swimmer/Beginner instruction does not count towards a Merit Badge, but can count towards advancement.

Scouting America Swimmer Test
Jump feet first into water over the head in depth, level off, and begin swimming. Swim 75 yards in a strong manner using one or more of the following strokes: side stroke, breaststroke, trudgen, or crawl; then swim 25 yards using an easy resting back stroke. The 100 yards must be swum continuously and include at least one sharp turn. After completing the swim, rest by floating.

Range and Target Activities

Recommended for All Scouts



Archery

Take aim and build your skills with the Archery Merit Badge at summer camp! Scouts will learn the fundamentals of archery, including range safety, proper shooting techniques, equipment, aiming, and scoring. Through hands-on instruction and plenty of time on the range, Scouts will develop confidence, focus, and accuracy while working toward completing the merit badge requirements.

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Rifle

Build confidence and learn the fundamentals of rifle shooting through hands-on instruction at summer camp. Scouts will learn firearm safety, range procedures, proper shooting techniques, equipment care, aiming, and marksmanship. With instruction and supervised time on the range, Scouts will develop focus, responsibility, and safe shooting habits while working toward completing the merit badge requirements.



Shotgun

Experience the excitement of shotgun shooting while learning the importance of safety, responsibility, and proper technique. Scouts will receive instruction on shotgun safety, range procedures, equipment, shooting fundamentals, and clay-target shooting. Under qualified supervision, Scouts will have the opportunity to practice their skills and work toward completing the merit badge requirements.



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Handicraft

Recommended for All Scouts



Art

Unleash your creativity and discover the artist within! Scouts will explore different forms of artistic expression while learning about color, design, drawing, painting, and composition. Through hands-on projects and creative challenges, Scouts will develop their artistic skills while working toward completing the merit badge requirements.



Basketry

Learn a traditional Scouting skill while creating something you can take home! Scouts will learn the basics of basket construction, weaving techniques, materials, and craftsmanship. Hands-on instruction will guide Scouts through creating useful basketry projects while developing patience, precision, and pride in their work. Weave your way to a project you'll be proud to take home!
$15 Program Fee for the kit needed to complete the Merit Badge.



Leatherwork

Get creative while learning the timeless craft of working with leather. Scouts will learn about leather, tools, design, cutting, stamping, and finishing techniques while creating hands-on projects. This badge combines creativity and craftsmanship to produce something unique and useful. Create it. Craft it. Make it yours and take it home! $10 Program Fee for the kit needed to complete the Merit Badge.

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Pottery

Get your hands dirty and discover the art of working with clay! Scouts will learn about pottery techniques, clay preparation, shaping, glazing, and firing while creating their own unique projects. This hands-on experience encourages creativity, patience, and craftsmanship.



Wood Carving

Turn a simple piece of wood into something special! Scouts will learn the fundamentals of wood selection, carving tools, safety, carving techniques, and finishing while creating hands-on projects. Woodcarving develops patience, concentration, creativity, and craftsmanship. Pick up your tools, take aim at the wood, and carve your masterpiece! $15 Program Fee for the kit needed to complete the Merit Badge.



Photography

See summer camp through a different lens! Scouts will learn the fundamentals of photography, composition, lighting, camera techniques, and storytelling through images. Scouts will have opportunities to capture people, places, and activities while developing their skills and working toward completing the merit badge requirements. Scouts should bring a digital camera if possible.

Nature

Recommended for All Scouts



Nature

Step beyond the campsite and explore the amazing natural world surrounding Camp Bud Schiele! Scouts working on the Nature Merit Badge will investigate plants, animals, insects, birds, and other forms of wildlife while learning how they live, interact, and adapt to their environment. Through hands-on activities and outdoor exploration, Scouts will develop a greater understanding and appreciation for the natural world—and discover just how much adventure is waiting right outside the campsite!



Weather

Ever wonder what those clouds are telling you—or how meteorologists know when the next storm is coming? The Weather Merit Badge gives Scouts the chance to explore the science and excitement of weather right here at Camp Bud Schiele. Learn to identify clouds, understand weather patterns, measure temperature and precipitation, and recognize the signs of changing conditions.



Mammal Study

Get ready to explore the wild side of Camp Bud Schiele! The Mammal Study Merit Badge gives Scouts an up-close look at the fascinating mammals that live in North Carolina and beyond. Learn how mammals are classified, where they live, what they eat, and how they survive in the wild. Through hands-on activities, observation, and exploration around camp, Scouts will uncover the secrets of local wildlife and develop a greater appreciation for the animals that share our outdoor world. Grab your field notebook and get ready to discover the mammals of Schiele!



Archeology

Become a history detective with the Archaeology Merit Badge at Camp Bud Schiele! Scouts will discover how archaeologists uncover clues about people and cultures from the past by studying artifacts, sites, and historical evidence.
Through hands-on activities and exploration, Scouts will learn how artifacts tell stories, how archaeological sites are studied, and why preserving our past matters. Grab your tools, uncover the clues, and see what stories the past has waiting to be discovered!

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Environmental Science

Get outside and become a scientist at Camp Bud Schiele! The Environmental Science Merit Badge challenges Scouts to explore the world around them and discover how living things, natural resources, and people are all connected.
Through hands-on experiments, outdoor observations, and exciting investigations, Scouts will learn about ecosystems, pollution, conservation, and the impact we have on our environment. Put science into action, explore the outdoors, and discover what you can do to help protect the world around you!



Astronomy

Explore the wonders of the night sky and discover what lies beyond our planet! Scouts working on the Astronomy Merit Badge will learn about stars, planets, galaxies, constellations, and other celestial objects. They'll practice observing the sky, learn how telescopes work, and explore the science behind space and the universe.



Fishing

Grab your fishing gear and learn the skills of a successful angler! Scouts working on the Fishing Merit Badge will learn about different types of fish, fishing equipment, knots, bait, casting techniques, and fishing safety. They'll also gain hands-on experience while learning about conservation and responsible fishing practices.

Scoutcraft

Recommended for All Scouts



First Aid

Learn how to stay calm, respond quickly, and help others in an emergency! Scouts working on the First Aid Merit Badge will learn how to recognize and respond to common injuries and emergencies, practice essential first aid skills, and understand when to seek professional medical help.



Safety

Learn how to recognize hazards, prevent accidents, and make smart decisions in everyday situations! Scouts working on the Safety Merit Badge will explore different types of safety practices, learn how to respond to emergencies, and discover how preparation and awareness can help keep themselves and others safe.



Orienteering
Geocaching

Put your navigation skills to the test and explore the outdoors! Scouts working on the Orienteering and Geocaching Merit Badges will learn how to use maps, compasses, GPS devices, and other navigation tools. They'll practice finding their way through unfamiliar terrain, completing courses, and discovering hidden locations while building confidence, teamwork, and outdoor skills.

Scoutcraft-Continued

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Emergency Preparedness

Be ready when an emergency strikes! Scouts working on the Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge will learn how to prepare for disasters, respond to emergencies, and help themselves and others in times of need. They'll explore emergency plans, communication, evacuation, rescue techniques, and essential preparedness skills.



Wilderness Survival

Learn how to stay safe and survive when you're on your own in the great outdoors! Scouts working on the Wilderness Survival Merit Badge will learn essential survival skills, including building shelters, finding and purifying water, starting fires, navigating, and responding to outdoor emergencies. They'll put their skills to the test while gaining confidence and self-reliance in the wilderness.



Search and Rescue

Learn how trained rescuers find and help people in emergency situations! Scouts working on the Search and Rescue Merit Badge will explore search techniques, rescue planning, navigation, communication, and emergency response. They'll learn how teamwork, preparation, and careful decision-making can make a difference when someone is lost or in danger.



Cooking

Learn to prepare delicious meals and become a more confident cook! Scouts working on the Cooking Merit Badge will explore nutrition, meal planning, food safety, cooking techniques, and different methods of preparing food. They'll put their skills to work creating meals both in the kitchen and outdoors.



Recommended for All Scouts



Chess

Put your strategy and problem-solving skills to the test! Scouts working on the Chess Merit Badge will learn the rules, strategies, and tactics of chess while developing critical thinking and planning skills. They'll practice reading the board, anticipating their opponent's moves, and applying strategy during games.



Space Exploration

Blast off into the exciting world of space exploration! Scouts working on the Space Exploration Merit Badge will learn about rockets, spacecraft, satellites, astronauts, and the history and future of space travel. They'll discover the science behind space missions and explore what it takes to journey beyond Earth.



Game Design

Bring your ideas to life and create your own games! Scouts working on the Game Design Merit Badge will explore the creative process behind designing games, including developing concepts, rules, challenges, and player experiences. They'll use problem-solving and creativity to design, test, and improve their own games.

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Robotics

Build, program, and explore the exciting world of robotics! Scouts working on the Robotics Merit Badge will learn how robots work, explore mechanical and computer programming concepts, and discover how robots are used in the real world. They'll put their skills to the test by designing, building, and programming robotic systems.



Salesmanship/ Entrepreneurship

Discover what it takes to turn ideas into opportunities! Scouts working on the Salesmanship and Entrepreneurship Merit Badges will learn how to communicate effectively, understand customers, develop business ideas, create marketing plans, and explore the basics of starting and running a business. They'll build real-world skills in creativity, leadership, and decision-making.



Civics

Recommended for 2nd Year+ Scouts



Citizenship in the Nation

Discover the history, government, and ideals that shape the United States! Scouts working on the Citizenship in the Nation Merit Badge will learn about the Constitution, the rights and responsibilities of citizens, important national landmarks, and significant moments in American history. They'll gain a deeper understanding of how citizens can participate in and contribute to their nation.



Citizenship in the World

Explore the world and discover what it means to be a responsible global citizen! Scouts working on the Citizenship in the World Merit Badge will learn about different cultures, international organizations, world challenges, and how nations work together. They'll gain a greater understanding of global connections and their role in a diverse world.



Communication

Learn how to express ideas clearly and connect with others effectively! Scouts working on the Communication Merit Badge will explore public speaking, writing, listening, interviewing, and other forms of communication. They'll build confidence and develop skills that can help them communicate successfully in school, work, and everyday life.



American/Scouting Heritage

Step into the past and discover the history that shaped America and Scouting! Scouts will explore important events, people, traditions, and milestones that have influenced our nation and the Scouting movement. They'll gain a greater appreciation for American history, the origins of Scouting, and the traditions that continue to inspire Scouts today.



Skilled Trades



13+ **$25** **Half Day**

This half day, daily experience is for Scouts who are interested in taking a variety of skilled trades merit badges. Merit badges are taught by professionals in the field that travel to Camp Bud Schiele in order to teach Scouts a variety of skills and provide information about their respected careers. Merit badges previously offered include, welding, metal working, electricity, plumbing, and surveying. Due to the merit badges being taught by professionals, the class schedule will be released in March prior to class registration.

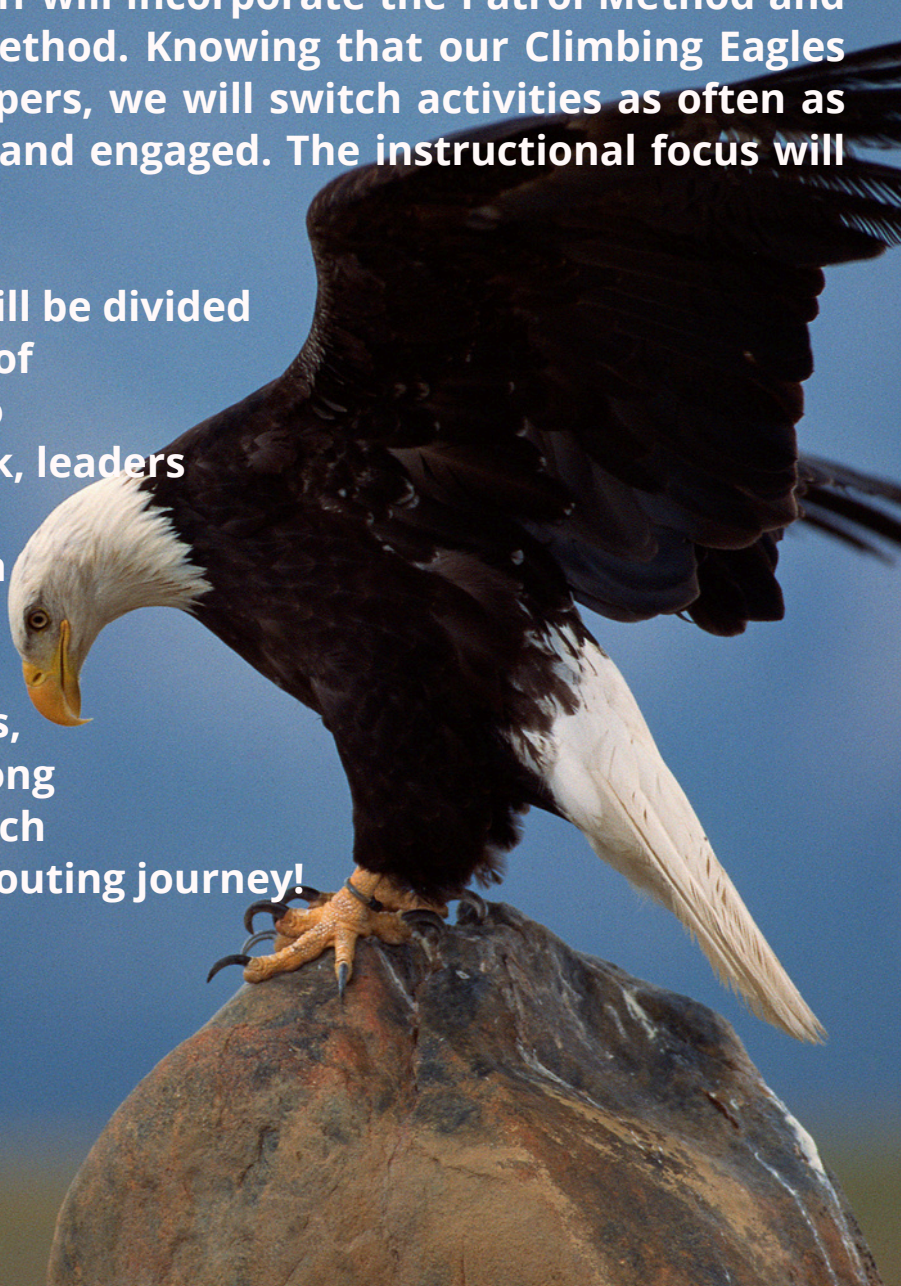


CLIMBING EAGLES PROGRAM

The Climbing Eagles program for first-year campers is being reinvented for the 2027 camp season. We are shifting the program to a 3-block class to allow for as many skills to be taught as possible and to provide for as much individual instruction as possible.

Climbing Eagles is designed to introduce scouts to the various program areas of Camp Bud Schiele and to help them to advance in rank requirements while at camp. Staff will incorporate the Patrol Method and will be taught using the EDGE method. Knowing that our Climbing Eagles scouts will be our youngest campers, we will switch activities as often as possible to keep them attentive and engaged. The instructional focus will be hands-on as much as possible.

Participants in Climbing Eagles will be divided into patrols to work on a variety of requirements from Tenderfoot to First Class. At the end of the week, leaders will be provided with a list of requirements completed for each of their scouts in the program. Our Climbing Eagles Staff will emphasize mastery of these skills, providing participants with a strong foundationalunderstanding of each requirement to kickstart their Scouting journey!





Adventure Camp

Back again for the 2027 season, Camp Bud Schiele will offer a hybrid high adventure trek!

Looking to put your skills to the test? Look no further than Camp Bud Schiele's Adventure Camp! Here you can hit the rapids, ride the zip lines, and explore caves. This high adventure experience is hybrid. Scouts will be able to go off-site for activities and return to camp in the evening.

- Monday: Whitewater Rafting down the Nantahala River
- Tuesday: Rock Climbing at Holloway Mountain
- Wednesday: Caving at Worley's Cave
- Thursday: Ziplining at the Nantahala Outdoor Center
- Friday: CBS Range and Target Advanced Activities



The River Gauntlet - High Adventure



It is important to note that Scouts will be spending Monday night-Thursday night off campus. Scouts will be tent camping with their trek leaders nightly. Scouts will return to camp on Friday prior to dinner.

14+ **$100** **All Day**

FIVE Rivers. FIVE Days. One Epic Adventure.

Think you're ready to take on the ultimate Camp Bud Schiele adventure? The River Gauntlet is our newest High Adventure program, built specifically for older Scouts who are ready to leave camp behind and take on some of the most exciting whitewater in the mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee.

Over four days on four legendary rivers, Scouts will paddle through rushing rapids, tackle challenging whitewater, experience incredible mountain scenery, and build memories that will last long after summer camp is over. Every day brings a new river, new challenges, and a new opportunity to push yourself and your fellow scouts.

Scouts will be guided by professional whitewater rafting guides and accompanied throughout the trek by two experienced Camp Bud Schiele Trek Leaders, allowing you to focus on the adventure while learning new skills and working together as a team.

Ready to take on the Gauntlet?
Age Requirement: Scouts must be 14 years old or older
Additional Cost: $100 per Scout, in addition to the regular Camp Bud Schiele fee.

THE GAUNTLET SCHEDULE

MONDAY — NANTAHALA RIVER
Kick off the adventure on the Nantahala!

TUESDAY — CHATTOOGA RIVER
Take on the wild and scenic Chattooga River.

WEDNESDAY — OCOEE RIVER
Turn up intensity on the Ocoee River!

THURSDAY — PIGEON RIVER
Keep the adrenaline flowing on the Pigeon River.

FRIDAY — FRENCH BROAD RIVER
Finish the adventure on the French Broad River before returning to Camp Bud Schiele.

FIVE Rivers. FIVE Days. One unforgettable Gauntlet.

Are you ready to take your place in The River Gauntlet?

Scouts will earn the Whitewater Rafting Award

Note: Participants will not be able to earn the Whitewater Rafting Merit Badge as it must be completed in a solo kayak or canoe.

Schiele's Sharpshooters



13+ **$25** **Half Day**

Aim Higher. Try Something Different. Take the Challenge!

Ready to experience shooting sports in a whole new way? Schiele's Sharpshooters is a new half-day adventure designed specifically for older Scouts who are ready to test their skills and try something beyond the traditional range experience!

Throughout the program, Scouts will explore a variety of non-traditional shooting sports, including Cowboy Action, Paintball, and NRA Pistol First Steps. Each experience introduces new skills, techniques, and challenges while giving Scouts a glimpse into the history and traditions behind each discipline.

As the week progresses, Scouts will build on what they've learned, developing greater confidence, focus, and skill at each stage. Every challenge leads to the next—so you'll always be ready to see what's around the corner!

New skills. New challenges. New experiences. Are you ready to take the shot?

Schiele's Summit





13+ $50 Half Day

Reach Higher. Climb Stronger. Adventure Awaits!

Take your climbing skills to the next level with Schiele's Summit, an exciting half-day climbing adventure at Camp Bud Schiele! Scouts will challenge themselves on our outdoor climbing wall, learning climbing techniques, building confidence, and pushing their limits while having a great time with our instructors and other scouts.

But the adventure doesn't stop at camp! Scouts participating in Schiele's Summit will also have opportunities to experience a full day at an indoor climbing facility, where they can tackle a variety of climbing challenges in a controlled environment, as well as an unforgettable day of climbing at Holloway Mountain in the North Carolina foothills, featuring natural rock and spectacular scenery.

Whether you're a first-time climber or ready to take on your next challenge, **Schiele's Summit is your chance to climb higher, go farther, and discover what you're capable of!**

NOTE: Participants in Schiele's Summit will earn the Climbing Merit Badge.

Schiele's Wheels



13+ **$25** **Half Day**

Ride. Roll. Race. Repeat!
Ready to put your wheels to the test? Schiele's Wheels is a brand-new half-day adventure built for older Scouts who want more than the ordinary camp experience! This action-packed program combines cycling, mountain boarding, and RC Cars for an unforgettable week of speed, skill, and adventure.

Work toward completing the Cycling Merit Badge, take on the challenge of mountain boarding, and put your driving skills to the test behind the controls of high-performance RC Cars.

Three ways to ride. Three ways to challenge yourself. One seriously fun adventure!
Are you ready to get rolling?

Unit Programming

Troop Recreation

Camp Bud Schiele is excited to welcome back Troop Recreation in the evenings. This is a great time for troops to visit an area on camp and participate together at the unit level. Units may participate in a variety of activities including: swimming, boating, Range and Target Activities, rappelling, and much more! Troop Recreation occurs during the Twilight Activities from 7:30-8:15 PM Monday-Wednesday.

Evening Programming

Every evening, Camp Bud Schiele offers camp-wide programming for all Scouts to enjoy. Evening Programming begins nightly at 8:30 PM.

Monday- Ice Cream Social
Come meet units from across the Piedmont Council and Southeast United States! Listen to music, eat ice cream, and play games. A friendly reminder, all accordions and banjos are strictly prohibited!

Tuesday- Movie Night
Join us for a movie under the stars in the amphitheater as we eat pizza and Hawaiian ice! Stay tuned for the movie selection!

Wednesday- Vespers and OA Cracker Barrel
Join us for our inter-faith service at the Warlick Chapel. This is a great time of fellowship and reflection for all Scouts.

Immediately following the vespers service, all Scouts are invited to join us at the OA Shelter for a Cracker Barrell! Come and learn more about the Order of the Arrow, trade patches, and enjoy a yummy snack.

Thursday- Family Night
Camp Bud Schiele is excited to continue Family Night in 2027. Families of Scouts are invited to visit camp on Thursday evening. Join us for assembly, the canoe race, and Scoutmaster belly flop. Families are permitted to bringing outside food for their Scout.

Friday- Closing Campfire
Closing Campfire is YOUR campfire! On Friday night at 8:30PM, we celebrate you and your accomplishments during the week. Here you will be able to put on your own skit, receive ribbons, learn who takes home the Spirit Stick, and Bud Schiele's Best!

Unit Competitions

Camp Wide Competitions

Back in 2027, Camp Bud Schiele would like to introduce a designated camp wide competition time. These competitions involve everyone on camp, and we want you to be there. Please see below what's going on every day.

Monday- Battleship at the Waterfront
Tuesday- ***Announcing Soon!***
Wednesday- ***Announcing Soon!***
Thursday- Canoe Race and the Scoutmaster Aquatics Extravaganza
Friday- Senior Patrol Leader v. Junior Staff Volleyball Game, Scoutmaster v. Key Staff Volleyball Game

Please see the Camp Wide Competitions tab for more details or visit, www.campbudschiele.org/campwidecompetitions.

Grand Ole Adventure

Friday's look at a little different at Camp. Get ready to bring your A-Game and join us for Grand Ole Adventure! Put your Scout skills to the test and see who will take home the ribbons. For activities and details, please see the Grand Ole Adventure tab on our website, or visit, www.campbudschiele.org/grandoleadventure.



NEW Build Your Own Adventure!

Overview

Not into the competition of camp? Looking for something different and exciting for your unit to participate in? Don't worry because Camp Bud Schiele is proud to offer a new programming opportunity for units on Friday's! Introducing, "Build Your Own Adventure," where you and your unit can participate in whitewater rafting or ziplining opportunities through Wildwater Rafting! If participating in either adventure, units would need to leave Camp Bud Schiele at 8:30 AM in order to arrive to Wildwater Rafting by 11:00 AM for their 12:00 PM adventure. Transportation is not provided and must be coordinated at the unit level. Units should expect to return to Camp Bud Schiele around 6:00 PM.

A bagged lunch will be provided to units who participate in this opportunity. Lunch will include ham/turkey sandwiches, chips, cookie, bananas, apples, and condiments.

Units have two options to participate in. Nantahala Rafting Fully Guided and the Nantahala Gorge Canopy Tours.

Pricing

Nantahala Rafting Fully Guided: $60
Nantahala Gorge Canopy Tour: $100

Weight and Age Requirement

Nantahala Rafting Fully Guided: All participants must weigh at least 60 lbs.
Nantahala Gorge Canopy Tour: All participants must weigh between 60-250 lbs.

Two adult leaders must be present with their group at all times and during all activities and the troops are responsible for their own transportation.

WILDWATER



Camp Bud Schiele

Adult Leader Activities

Adult Leader Training

Scoutmaster Position-Specific

The Scoutmaster Position-Specific Training focuses on equipping Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters with tools to run effective youth-led Scouts BSA Troops by covering the aims and methods of Scouting, the Patrol Method, troop structure, advancement, and annual planning, providing a foundational, fun learning experience to help leaders implement the Scouting program successfully.

IOLS

The Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) course builds and expands on the concepts and themes introduced in Scoutmaster Position-Specific training and provides Scouters with the confidence to take youth into the outdoors.

Adult Leader Activities

Scoutmaster Merit Badge

The Scoutmaster Merit Badge is designed to promote adult leaders participation in the camp program. Please find requirements under the Leader's Guide and Forms tab on our website. For completing the Scoutmaster Merit Badge, you will receive a special 2027 themed patch!

Scoutmaster Cobbler Bake Off

Calling all master cobbler bakers, Monday nights are for you! Please join us at the OA Shelter at 8:20 PM for our Scoutmaster Cobbler Bake Off. The winning troop will take home the 2026 Golden Spoon!

Scoutmaster vs. Key Staff Volleyball Game

Do you have what it takes to take down the Key Staff? Join us for a great game of volleyball on Friday afternoon at 4:45 PM.

Scoutmaster Golf Tournament

On Friday morning following Coffee Klautch, adult leaders have an opportunity to put their golfing skills to the test on Camp Bud Schiele's "Master's level" 9-hole golf course. The best part is that you get to make your own clubs from materials found at Camp Bud Schiele. So get ready, and may the best Scoutmaster win!



2027 Camp Bud Schiele Master Merit Badge/Program Schedule (Monday-Thursday)

Aquatics							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
Swimming		X	X	X	X		X (Free Swim)
Lifesaving	X			X			
Canoeing		X			X		X (Free Boating)
Kayaking/ SUP	X			X			X (Free Boating)
Small Boat					X		
Rowing			X				

Range and Target Activities							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
Archery		X	X	X	X		
Rifle ($10)	X			X			X (Free Shoot)
Shotgun ($15)	X			X			

Handicraft							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
Art							X
Basketry ($15)		X			X		X
Leatherwork ($10)			X			X	X
Pottery	X			X			
Wood Carving ($15)			X			X	X
Photography	X			X			

Nature							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
E. Science		X			X		
Mammal Study	X						
Fishing	X						X
Nature			X			X	
Weather		X			X		
Astronomy							X
Archeology			X			X	
Scoutcraft							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
E. Prep		X	X		X	X	
First Aid	X	X		X	X		
S & R			X			X	
Cooking			X	X			
Wilderness Survival		X			X		
Geocaching/Orienteering	X			X			
Safety							X
STEM/ Civics							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
Chess	X			X			
Robotics		X			X		
Space Exploration ($15)			X			X	
Game Design	X			X			
Cit. in Nation	X		X			X	
Cit. in World		X	X			X	
Communication		X		X	X		
American/Scouting Heritage					X		X

Trading Post/Pepper's Place							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
Salesmanship/Entrepreneurship			X			X	
Climbing Eagles/First Year Camper Program							
	8:10 AM	9:20 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
	X			X			
Skilled Trades							
	8:00 AM-1:00 PM			1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
Skilled Trade MB's ($25)	X						
High Adventure/Older Scout Programs							
	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	7:30 PM
Schiele's River Gauntlet ($100)	X						
Schiele's Sharp Shooters ($25)	X			X			
Adventure Camp ($75)	X						
Schiele's Summit ($50)				X			
Schiele's Wheels ($25)	X						



Merit Badge Requirements Not Able to be Completed at Camp

Aquatics	
All Aquatics Merit Badges	Complete the Scouting America Swimmers Test
Lifesaving	Earn the Swimming Merit Badge
Handicraft	
Woodcarving	Earn the Totin' Chip Award
Nature	
Archaeology	Requirement 7
Forestry	Requirement 5a
Scoutcraft	
Emergency Preparedness	Earn the First Aid Merit Badge, Requirements 1, 2c, 6c, 7a, 7b, 8b
Geocaching	Requirement 7
Orienteering	Requirements 7, 8, 9, 10
Search and Rescue	Requirements 5, 6a, 7
Wilderness Survival	Requirement 5
America 250 (Civics)	
American Heritage	Requirement 3c, 4
Citizenship in the Nation	Requirements 5, 6, 7, 8
Communications	Requirements 3, 5, 7
Scouting Heritage	Bring patches for Requirement 6

Please note that these requirement will NOT be completed at camp. It is the responsibility of the Unit's Leadership to approve these requirements.


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