



**SUMMER 2024**

# **PROGRAM SCHEDULE GUIDE**

**INCLUDES THE ACTIVITY SCHEDULE, OPEN PROGRAM SCHEDULE,  
AND EVENING PROGRAM SCHEDULE**



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## AQUATICS

Canoeing	9:00-10:30	10:30-12:00			2:00-3:30			Pass the swimmer's test; <b>1b</b> *
Instructional Swim			11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00			Learn to swim program
Kayaking	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00			Pass the swimmer's test; <b>1b</b> *
Lifesaving	9:00-10:30				2:00-3:30			Swimming MB; <b>2a, 17</b> *
Mile Swim BSA (Conditioning)		10:00-11:00						Pass the swimmer's test
Motorboating (M,Tu)			11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00			Pass the swimmer's test; <b>1bc</b> *
Motorboating (Th,F)	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00			Pass the swimmer's test; <b>1bc</b> *
Personal Watercraft (PWC) Safety Program	9:00-10:30				2:00-3:30			PWC introductory course. Pass the swimmer's test; <b>Age 15+</b> . <b>Must have a Boater Education Course Certificate**, photo ID, &amp; signed waiver form</b>
Rowing (M,Tu,W)	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00						Pass the swimmer's test; <b>1b</b> *
Small-Boat Sailing		10:30-12:00			2:00-3:30			Pass the swimmer's test; <b>1b</b> *
Swimming	9:00-10:30	10:30-12:00			2:00-3:30			Pass the swimmer's test; <b>1b</b> *
Water Sports	9:00-10:30	10:30-12:00			2:00-3:30			Pass the swimmer's test; <b>Age 13+</b>
<b>OPEN Boating</b>							<b>3:30- 4:50</b>	Bring a buddy. Open program, no sign-up required. <b>Open M, Tu, W, F; Open in evening on Thursday.</b>
<b>OPEN Swimming</b>							<b>3:30- 4:50</b>	Bring a buddy. Open program, no sign-up required. <b>Open M, Tu, W, F; Open in evening on Thursday.</b>
<b>OPEN Stand Up Paddleboarding</b>							<b>3:30- 4:50</b>	Bring a buddy. Open program, no sign-up required. <b>Open M, Tu, W, F; Open in evening on Thursday.</b>
Troop Canoe/ Kayak Trek								See the Aquatics Director
Troop Swim								See the Aquatics Director

**Notes:**

\*CPR/First Aid requirement only requires **knowledge** of CPR and First Aid skills. If completed at a Troop meeting or in First Aid MB, that will fulfill the prerequisite.  
\*\*PWC: Indiana Boating Safety Course link and information is available on our website. Out of state Boating Safety Courses must meet NASBLA requirements.

## BADEN-POWELL

Chess		10:00-12:00			2:00-4:00			
Citizenship in the Nation	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00			3:00-4:00		<b>7</b> ; Recommended age 14+
Citizenship in the World		10:00-11:00			2:00-3:00		4:00-5:00	Recommended age 14+
Game Design	9:00-10:00				2:00-3:00			<b>8</b>
Personal Management		10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00			3:00-4:00		<b>1b, 2, 8</b> ; Recommended age 14+
Salesmanship (M,Tu,W)	9:00-10:00						4:00-5:00	





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## COMMUNICATIONS

Communication	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00			2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	<b>5, 8</b>
Photography	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00		
Movie Making		10:00-12:00						
Music							4:00-5:00	

## HANDICRAFT

Art			11:00-12:00				4:00-5:00	
Basketry	9:00-10:00				2:00-3:00			
Fingerprinting (Th,F)		10:00-11:00				3:00-4:00		
Leatherwork	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00			
Metalwork	9:00-11:00				2:00-4:00			
Model Design and Building			11:00-12:00				4:00-5:00	
Sculpture (M,Tu,W)		10:00-11:00				3:00-4:00		
Woodcarving	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	<b>Totin' Chip required</b>
<b>OPEN Handicraft</b>							<b>OPEN</b>	Open program for Scouts to work on projects and learn different art mediums. <b>No sign-up required.</b>

## HIGH ADVENTURE

ATV									
ASI ATV Safety Training (M,Tu)	9:00-12:00							Age 14+. Must complete ASI eCourse online prior to camp (link on Ransburg website). Long sleeve shirt, long jean pants, & sturdy ankle boots required. A signed permission form is also required on the first day.	
ASI ATV Safety Training (Th,F)	9:00-12:00			2:00-5:00					
COPE & Climbing									
Climbing	9:00-11:00				2:00-4:00			Recommended age 13+	
High Ropes Course (M,Tu)	9:00-12:00				2:00-5:00				
High Ropes Course (Th,F)	9:00-12:00								
OPEN Climbing (Tu-Fri)							4:00-4:50	No sign-up required.	
OPEN Rappel (Tu.)							4:00-4:50	No sign-up required. Tuesday only.	
RansburgX									
<b>RansburgX</b>	9:00-5:00								<b>This program is designed for Scouts Age 16+.</b> Monday-Friday all day. Waiver forms are required for ATV and can be found on the website.  Program is run with two concurrent sessions to increase capacity while maintaining small groups.
<b>RansburgX Program Description:</b> Scouts in RansburgX could participate in the following activities while at camp: ASI ATV, climbing, high ropes course, mountainboarding, mountain biking, water skiing, sailing, and more.									
Get ready for fun and adventure! This exciting older Scout program is designed for Scouts who want to come to camp for an adventure! Focus will be adventure type activities and not advancement. Day to day activities are decided on the first day of the program by group participants, activities will vary by week based upon interest.									



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<b>NATURE CENTER</b>								
Fish and Wildlife Management (M,Tu,W)			11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00			<b>7</b>
Fishing	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00			2:00-3:00			<b>7</b> ; Recommend bringing own fishing rod and tackle, if desired.
Forestry		10:00-11:00						
Geology (Th,F)			11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00			
Insect Study	9:00-10:00							<b>9, 10</b>
Mammal Study (Th,F)	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	<b>3</b>
Nature	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00			3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	
Reptile & Amphibian Study		10:00-11:00				3:00-4:00		<b>8</b>
Weather (M,Tu,W)	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	<b>9</b>
<b>OPEN Nature</b>							<b>4:00-5:00</b>	No sign-up required.
<b>Conservation Service Projects</b>					2:00-5:00			No sign-up required.
<b>N.E.S.T.</b>								
								<b>First Year Camper</b>
Project N.E.S.T.	9:00-12:00							Project N.E.S.T. is an exciting <b>first year camper experience</b> focusing on rank advancement through projects, activities, and games. Scouts will complete a number of Scout through First Class requirements and have the opportunity to work on First Aid and Nature Merit Badges. <b>Recommended for Scouts that recently joined or crossed over.</b>
Open Rank Advancement					<b>OPEN</b>			Open program to complete any rank requirements Tenderfoot through First Class. <b>No sign-up required.</b>
Totin' Chip					<b>OPEN</b>			No sign-up required.
Firem'n Chit					<b>OPEN</b>			No sign-up required.
<b>RANCH</b>								
Animal Science (M,Tu,W)	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00					
Horsemanship	9:00-11:00							Long pants; Recommended age 13+
		10:00-12:00						
Landscape Architecture	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00					
Wrangler					2:00-3:30			<b>Age 13+</b> . Horsemanship MB, long pants. Wrangler takes your horse experience to the next level including an extended experience with your horse!
Trail Rides						3:15-4:15		Sign-up daily in camp office; long pants required.
						4:00-5:00		



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<b>SCOUTCRAFT</b>								
Camping	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00			2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00		<b>4b, 5e, 7b, 9abc</b>
Cooking		10:00-12:00			2:00-4:00			<b>4</b>
Emergency Preparedness	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00		4:00-5:00	<b>1, 2c, 8b</b>
First Aid	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00		<b>5</b>
Pioneering		10:00-12:00			2:00-4:00			
Search and Rescue							4:00-5:00	
Signs, Signals, and Codes	9:00-10:00							
Wilderness Survival	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00				3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	

## SPORTS

Shooting Sports								
Archery	9:00-11:00				2:00-4:00		<b>OPEN*</b>	<b>*Open program:</b> no sign-up required. Fully enclosed shoes required.
		10:00-12:00						
Rifle Shooting	9:00-11:00				Practice (Optional)	<b>OPEN*</b>		<b>*Open program:</b> no sign-up required. Fully enclosed shoes required. <b>Open M, W, Th, F; Open in evening on Tuesday!</b>
		10:00-12:00						
Shotgun Shooting	9:00-11:00				Practice (Optional)			<b>Age 13+;</b> Fully enclosed shoes required.
		10:00-12:00						
Field Sports								
Athletics (M,Tu,W)			11:00-12:00					<b>3, 6b</b>
Geocaching	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00		4:00-5:00	<b>7, 9</b>
Personal Fitness (M,Tu,W)	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00			2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00		<b>1b, 7, 8</b>
Sports (Th,F)	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00		<b>4, 5</b>
Mountain Biking						<b>OPEN</b>	<b>OPEN</b>	5+ feet tall, starts on the hour. <b>No sign-up required.</b>
OPEN Sports	<b>OPEN</b>				<b>OPEN</b>			Various pick-up sports and games will be played on an open basis. <b>No sign-up required.</b> Tues: open program only offered in the evening.



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<b>S.T.E.M. CENTER</b>									
Archaeology					2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00			
Astronomy					2:00-3:00				<b>4c,6</b> , night hikes required
Aviation (Th,F)	9:00-10:00						4:00-5:00		<b>4</b>
Chemistry			11:00-12:00			3:00-4:00			
Electricity	9:00-10:00				2:00-3:00				<b>2</b>
Energy (M,Tu,W)							4:00-5:00		<b>4</b>
Engineering	9:00-10:00		11:00-12:00				4:00-5:00		
Environmental Science	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00		2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00			<b>3e, 4</b>
Exploration (M,Tu,W)	9:00-10:00								
Nuclear Science		10:00-11:00				3:00-4:00			Recommended Age 13+
Robotics		10:00-12:00			2:00-4:00				
Space Exploration		10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00						
Welding	9:00-11:00				2:00-4:00				Leather boots and long jean pants required; Recommended age 13+.
		10:00-12:00				3:00-5:00			
Mad Science							OPEN		Exciting science experiments and activities! <b>No sign-up required.</b>
<b>FIRECRAFTER</b>									
Camper Rank	OPEN				OPEN				Firecrafter is a summer camp program supported by the Firecrafter Organization. For rank requirements and preparation information, visit <a href="http://www.firecrafter.org">www.firecrafter.org</a> . All Firecrafter programs operate on an open schedule. <b>No prior sign-up is required.</b>
Woodsman Rank	OPEN				OPEN				
Firecrafter Rank	OPEN				OPEN				
<b>SPL</b>									
SPL Leadership Program							4:00-5:00		A leadership development program designed for Troop Senior Patrol Leaders. All SPLs are encouraged to sign up. Other youth leaders (ASPLs, acting SPLs) are welcome.



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## ACTIVITY SCHEDULE - OVERALL NOTES

<b>Open Programs:</b>	It is encouraged for Scouts to leave an hour during the day of open time to enjoy the numerous open programs offered. The majority of open programs occur from 4:00pm - 5:00pm and in the evenings. Open programming does not require prior sign-up. A Scout can simply show-up at a program area when they would like to participate in an open program. <b>Expanded open program opportunities in the evenings are also offered in addition to afternoons.</b>
<b>Age Restrictions:</b>	Some programs have required age minimums and some programs have recommended age minimums. The purpose of age restrictions varies from program to program. When listed as "Recommended Age 13+", if the Scout is under the recommended age, it is suggested that the Scout have a conversation with their Scoutmaster or Summer Camp Coordinator prior to signing-up for that merit badge.
<b>Partial Week Programs:</b>	All programs meet Monday through Friday unless indicated otherwise next to the Merit Badge/Activity name. For example, Rowing meets on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. There are numerous opportunities in the program schedule to match-up two partial week activities so that a Scout has a full week of activities during a particular hour.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Bolded numbers in the Notes and Prerequisites column correspond to the official BSA Merit Badge Requirements and are specific to each individual Merit Badge. The requirements associated with each Merit Badge can be found at <a href="http://www.scouting.org/skills/merit-badges/all/">www.scouting.org/skills/merit-badges/all/</a>
<b>Program Fees:</b>	<b>Camp is all-inclusive;</b> there are no program/supply fees. This saves each Scout between \$30-\$60. Merit badge kits will be available in the program area where the merit badge is offered. For example, basketry kits will be available in Handicraft. Additional kits (beyond those provided) will be available in the Trading Post for purchase.
<b>Electronic Schedule:</b>	An electronic version of this schedule is available at <a href="http://www.ransburgbsa.org">www.ransburgbsa.org</a> and will be the most current version of this document. Viewing of this schedule is best done printed in color ink or electronically on our website.
<b>Selection &amp; Registration:</b>	The Troop Summer Camp Coordinator should register Scouts for merit badges and activities on the Scouting Event Registration website. It is recommended that Scouts pick a first and second choice for each program hour to make registration/scheduling simpler for the Troop's Camp Coordinator. Additional information for each program area can be found in the Camping Experience Guide available on our website. If you have any questions about registering or merit badge selection please reach out to the Crossroads of America Council office.



# EVENING PROGRAM SCHEDULE

## SUNDAY

### Merit Badge Add/Drop Session

Session will begin at 7:15PM in the Picnic Area

### Nonsectarian Chapel Service

Service will be at 7:30PM in the Chapel

### Opening Campfire

Troops will need to be lined up in front of the flag poles by 8:15PM for dismissal

## MONDAY

### Monday Night Advancement

Event will begin at 7:30PM at the Aquatics Field

### Monday Night Game

Event will begin at 7:30PM in the Parade Field

### Monday Night Magic

Event will begin at 7:30PM in the Dining Hall

### Firecrafter Member Meeting

Members meet in the Firecrafter Shelter at 7:30PM

### OA Fellowship Night

Event will begin at 8:00PM in the Dining Hall Tent

## TUESDAY

### Adult Leader Shoot-Off

Event will begin at 7:30PM at Archery

### OA Callout Ceremony and Brotherhood Ceremony

Event will begin at 7:45PM in the Parade Field  
Brotherhood ceremony will begin 8PM after the Callout at the Flag Poles

### Adult Leader Cruise

Event will begin at 7:30PM at the Aquatics Field (sign up in office)

### Open Shooting

Event will begin at 7:30PM at Shooting Sports Area

### Gaga Ball Tournament

Event will begin at 7:30PM at the Sports Area

### Evening Trail Rides

Two Trail Rides will begin at 7:00PM and 7:45PM at the Ranch (sign up in office)

## WEDNESDAY

### Troop Night

There will be no evening flags nor any Dining Hall services

### Roman Catholic Mass

Service will begin at 5:15PM in the Chapel

### Nondenominational Christian Service

Service will begin at 7:30PM in the Chapel

## THURSDAY

### Aquatics Beach Party!

Event will begin at 7:30PM at the Aquatics Field

### Ransburg 5k

Event will begin at 7:30PM at the Flagpoles

### Adult Leader Cruise

Event will begin at 7:30PM at the Aquatics Field (sign up in office)

### Wrangler Roundup

Wranglers will meet at the Ranch. See the Ranch Director for details about meeting time.

### Firecrafter Overnighter

Firecrafter candidates will meet at the Flag Poles at 9:45PM

## FRIDAY

### Interfaith Service

Service will begin at 7:30PM in the Chapel

### Closing Campfire

Troops will need to be lined up in front of the Flag Poles by 8:15PM for an 8:20 dismissal

**Additional Notes:** There may be changes to any of the evening programs listed above due to weather or other unforeseeable events. Any changes to the evening program schedule will be communicated either at the flag poles or via the Remind App (for leaders).





# OPEN PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Ransburg Scout Reservation offers a multitude of different open programs for any Scout or Adult Leader to participate in and enjoy. Unless otherwise stated below, open programs do not require prior sign-up.

Aquatics	Days Offered	Time	Additional Notes and Information
Open Boating Open Swimming Stand-Up-Paddle Boarding	M, Tu, W, F	3:30-4:50 PM	Participants will need to make sure that they have a buddy present with them. There is no prior sign-up required to participate in any open aquatic program.
<b>Field Sports</b>			
Mountain Biking Open Sports	M-F	3:00-5:00PM	Mountain bike treks will begin at the Sports Shelter at the top of the hour - 3:00-4:00PM & 4:00-5:00PM.  Participants can enjoy their open time playing fun and engaging recreational activities - Gaga Ball, badminton, human foosball, and so much more.
<b>Firecrafter</b>			
Open Firecrafter	M-F	9:00-12:00AM & 2:00-5:00PM	Open to all participants who are working on requirements for the ranks of Camper, Woodsman, and Firecrafter.
<b>Handicraft</b>			
Open Handicraft	M-F	4:00-5:00PM	Extra time for any Scouts to work on projects and learn different art mediums.
<b>High Adventure</b>			
Open Climbing Open Rappel (Youth only)	Tu-F Tu	4:00-4:50PM	Open to anyone who loves to climb or are looking for extra practice with their climbing skills. For rappelling, Ransburg does ask that only Scouts participate in this activity. Camping Merit Badge must come Monday Evening or find another time with Scoutcraft and Climbing.
<b>Nature</b>			
Open Nature	M-F		Participants can spend time in Ransburg's Nature Center learning more about the native wildlife and plant life.
<b>N.E.S.T.</b>			
Open Advancement Totin' Chip Firem'n Chip Paul Bunyan	M, W, Th, F	2:00-5:00 PM	All open program is available for Scouts who are working on mastery of rank requirement skills, needing to earn their Totin' Chip and/or Firem'n Chip, or are interested in earning the Paul Bunyan award.
<b>Ranch</b>			
Trail Rides	M, W, Th, F	3:15-4:15PM & 4:00- 5:00PM	Participants will need to sign-up at the Office. Please wear long pants for the trail.
<b>Shooting Sports</b>			
Open Archery Open Rifle Shooting	M-F	4:00-5:00PM 3:00-5:00PM	Open for all participants to have time shooting on the range whether that is for archery or for rifle. Ransburg does ask that all participants wear enclosed shoes when shooting.
<b>STEM</b>			
Mad Science	M-F	4:00-5:00PM	Unleash your inner mad scientist with fun and exciting science experiments and other crazy STEM activities. Different Experiments each day!