

Lots of Questions Answered about QSR

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This document has a lot of information that may be common knowledge to long time campers at QSR but new information to out of council units or units that have camped elsewhere for a year or more. This will be updated as we answer questions by email or over the phone so check occasionally for revisions.

- The Tribe of Quivira is hosting a work week from April 28 – May 7. This is open to all volunteers to assist in preparing the camp for this summer and the future. Come for the whole week or a single day. Additional information and Registration for this week will be provided online. Registration is required so we can plan activities and have adequate food available. Note: The 2nd weekend will also be an OA Service Weekend.
- Camperships provide financial assistance for up to ½ the base cost of camp to youth that document a financial need to attend camps in Quivira Council. Scouts from outside Quivira Council may apply for camperships. Note: The Lang Trust Reno County Camperships are only open to scouts living in Reno County Kansas. This financial assistance is for youth only. You can submit camperships for financial assistance now! Forms are available online.
- We do all registration, payment, and scheduling using the Tentaroo online registration system this year. This is the same system that Quivira Council will now use for all activities. You will be able to schedule youth in activities beginning March 1. Adults may be registered for many activities beginning April 1. The youth are our priority customers so they are given a chance to register early. After April 1 Adults can fill up the activities so be sure and register youth early! All sign ups must be completed by May 19.
- Tents and cots are not provided at QSR. Units must bring their own tents and set them up at camp. Units must also provide their own ground cloths and dining flies. Picnic tables are placed in each unit site and fire barrels are available.
- Each camp area has a shared shower unit and latrine (this is also a local storm/fire shelter). The showers are not heated but they will have a system for hanging shower curtains with shower curtains provided by the camp (new last year.) Flushable toilets are available for youth at the troop service building during meals and program times. Heated showers and flushable toilets are available for adults at the troop service building.
- Camp areas will have multiple units sharing the area. There is plenty of room for each unit to have their own area. Units should not setup next to the latrine or block access routes. Only units that are cooking in camp the entire week may leave their trailers in camp. Units that are eating in the dining hall may bring trailers/vehicles into camp after check in and unload their equipment.
- Units eating in the dining hall no longer have a cook in camp meal as required in the past. Contact us before camp if you are planning an overnight outpost.
- A storm shelter is available for all campers in the lower level of the troop service building. Details on storm and fire procedures will be provided at camp.

- The Tribe will have a Gaga ball pit available for use during open activity periods but not during block class sessions. Adults and youth should play in separate games and game rules must be safely followed.
- Youth Cell Phones: Youth should not use cell phones during camp. Outlets for charging cell phones will not be provided to youth and the camp will not be responsible for phones found in outlets in public areas (a youth with a cell phone can lead to more homesickness resulting in leaving early.)
- Adult Cell Phones: A charging area is provided for adults at the camp office.
- Contact Info at camp
 - 620-725-5242 (office during summer camp sessions only)
 - 620-725-5353 (year-round) Rick Butts, Camp Ranger
 - Kelsey Kessler, Camp Director, qsrcamp@gmail.com
 - Mark Hunter, Logistics Dir., Camping Chair, bsaqsr@gmail.com, 620-245-0801
 - Chad Dozier, Program Director, oaeagle23@yahoo.com
- Mailing Address for Camp

Session # / Unit # / Scout Name
1781 Road 19, Sedan, Kansas 67361

Important Note: Mail delivery is notoriously slow so mail sent after the scouts leave for camp may not arrive until after they have returned home. Mail for scouts should be sent at least one week in advance. Mail received after scouts have left may not be returned if proper return address is not included. Suggestion: Parents should prepare the mail in advance and give to the camp scoutmaster to deliver during the week.

- Bicycles may be brought to camp. Helmets are required. QSR is a large place so a bicycle is useful. Scouts are still expected to follow the buddy system even when on bikes. Bikes may be used to travel to program areas for classes or afternoon activities. Bikes may also be used to tour the camp if a proper tour plan is registered in the camp office. Bikes should not be used to travel to meals, trading post, flag mall, Gaga Ball pit or troop service building without approval. Camp bikes are for program use only and may not be checked out for use without a staff member accompaniment.
- 1st Year Camper vs. 1st Year Tribe Note: There are references in this guide and at camp to 1st Year Campers and 1st Year Tribe members.
 - 1st Year Campers are youth scouts who have never been to a summer camp (QSR or elsewhere) before.
 - 1st Year Tribe Member refers to youth/adult scouts who are camping at QSR for summer camp their 1st time.
- Swim checks: We suggest you complete swim checks if possible before camp. Swim checks completed before camp must be done by a certified lifeguard (Red Cross, YMCA, BSA) and a copy of the lifeguard's certification must be brought to camp. Swim checks are valid for 12 months so checks completed last fall are acceptable. (I actually found that doing swim checks in the fall gave me a higher % of blue swimmers.) Swim checks may be completed at QSR on Sunday if you schedule them online during program registration.

- Shoes at camp: No open toed shoes may be worn on camp property. Tennis shoes are acceptable in campsites, buildings, and main pathways. Boots are recommended for trails and off-trails. Close toed sandals may be worn on roads and in program areas but are not recommended for trails to campsites, campfire or off-trails. THIS APPLIES TO FAMILY VISITING ON FRIDAY ALSO. Family members arriving to camp with only sandals cannot be allowed to go to the campfire ring. They will be allowed to wait in the dining hall.
- Visitors coming to camp on Friday for closing campfire: Dinners may be purchased in advance online or in the trading post early in the week. Dinner may not always be available for unknown last minute arrivals. Visitors may stay on camp overnight with units Friday evening only if they have completed Youth Protection training prior to arrival, are registered with the unit, and register at camp headquarters. Physical forms Part A & B must be available.
A family campground area is available near the bridge leading into camp.