



National Jamboree Postponement FAQ

General

Q. Why has the 2021 National Jamboree been postponed?

A. The safety of Scouts, volunteers, staff members and communities is at the forefront of every decision the BSA makes. The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have wide-ranging implications for events across the country, and the Jamboree is no exception. Planning, preparations, and decisions regarding National Jamborees take place months, and even years, in advance. Given the current situation and the uncertain nature of future conditions, we determined we could not prepare in a manner that would provide the safest possible environment for all those involved. We look forward to holding this incredible event at a future date.

Q. When will the next National Jamboree be held?

A. A Jamboree task force of volunteers and staff, appointed by national Boy Scouts of America leadership, will recommend a new date for this event. We will inform all currently registered participants once that date is selected.

Refunds and travel plans

Q. I am a registered youth participant or the parent of a youth participant; how will I receive my refund?

A. Council contingent members should work directly with their local council regarding refunds.

Q. I am a registered Jamboree Service Team member; how will I receive my refund?

A. The Jamboree Department at the National Service Center will process refunds.

Q. I am a Jamboree Service Team member and have already booked my flight, what should I do?

A. Jamboree Service Team members should work directly with their airline to inquire about refunds or flight credits.

Other High Adventure opportunities

Q. Will the Summit have other high adventure programs next year?

A. At this time, the Summit Bechtel Reserve is taking reservations for 2021 Summit Adventure programming with councils and Jamboree contingents. BSA High Adventure Base programs, including those offered at the Summit, can be found at <https://www.scouting.org/outdooradventures/>.

Q. Can my unit still attend the Summit as part of the James C. Justice National Scout Camp in the summer of 2021?

A. Yes, you can review options for an adventure at the Summit here: <https://www.summitbsa.org/programs/scout-camp/>

Q. What other adventure opportunities will be available next year?

A. Council camps offer incredible opportunities for adventure of all kinds and levels. While some may not be open now, be sure to consider your local council camp when planning for next year.

Other

Q. I am a participant who applied for a scholarship to attend the Jamboree, will I need to apply again when the Jamboree is rescheduled?

A. Yes. Unfortunately, you will need to apply again given that the situation, available funds, and allocation process may be different.

Q. If I have already accepted a staff assignment, what happens to my position?

A. The BSA will inform key stakeholder groups of plans and decisions regarding positions for a future Jamboree as soon as that information is available.

Q. Can I still buy 2021 National Jamboree merchandise and apparel?

A. No. Official BSA 2021 National Jamboree merchandise and apparel are no longer available.

Q. My council is planning a pre-Jamboree trip for a few days before the Jamboree (Ex: Washington, D.C.), is that still going to happen? Will we still get the local contingent merchandise we ordered?

A. Council contingent members should work directly with their local council to inquire about pre-Jamboree trips and locally ordered merchandise.

Q. I am a youth participant but may be over 18 for the new National Jamboree date, can I still go as a participant?

A. Yes. There will be opportunities to attend a future Jamboree within the participant structure and the Jamboree Service Team structure.

Q. Where is the best place to go for the latest information?

A. As new information becomes available, we will include it on the 2021 National Jamboree Website at www.jamboree.scouting.org.

Q. What if I have questions that aren't answered here?

A. Some details are not available yet. However, we will do our best to answer your question if you send an email to 2021Jamboree@scouting.org.

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