

Texas Conference Pathfinders Camporee April 6-9, 2023 Lake Whitney Ranch Director Handbook



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Camp Registration

All registration for camp is done through YMMS. This is the same software used to register your club with the conference. Please make sure that each staff member and Pathfinder is registered by name and that your staff and adult volunteers have taken the Verified Volunteer classes (ncsrisk.org/adventist). All clubs must be registered and certified with the local Area AND with the Conference; otherwise, clubs will not be able to participate in Texas Pathfinder Camporee.

When you arrive at Lake Whitney Ranch you will come to the main entrance. You will see the registration tent. Volunteer staff will be on hand to show you where to park. Please have your Pathfinders stay in the vehicles and only the director or designated staff member come in the tent. You will find a set of stations in the registration tent. Below is a list of the stations and what is required or received at each station.

Arrival time: Thursday at noon and gates will close at 11p.m. Detailed schedule will be provided at Camp. Meetings will be Thursday, night (~7:00 PM), Friday night, Sabbath morning, Sabbath evening and Sunday Morning. Competition events will be all day Friday from 9a.m.-noon, and 1-4p.m. Sabbath afternoon activities will be from 2-5p.m.

**We highly recommend that parents allow directors to take their children on an experience without the parents. We are teaching our pathfinders to be responsible for chores and learn to thrive and be useful at home and their surroundings and to care for our planet; therefore, it is highly recommended that clubs use a ratio of 1 adult per every 6-8 pathfinders, keeping in mind that female and male chaperones/staff are needed for male and female pathfinders. If parents are part of the staff (counselors/cooks/drivers, etc.) those parents need to follow the local club and church board policies.

Station 1 – Financial

As Pathfinder Director, you need to meet with a Conference employee in registration to verify your registration and the number of people registered, including new add-ons, substitutions, cancellations, and possible payments.

Station 2 – Medical

Turn in your medical consent forms. Each person attending the camp is required to have a completed form, including people 18 and older. Have parents or guardians sign both forms, no photocopies of signatures. You will turn in a copy of the forms at check in; the other copy you must keep. Consider having everyone in your club carry an additional copy or a picture of it with them on their cell phone.

*ALL medical consent forms must be ready at the time of check-in; otherwise, NO Club will be allowed to check in. No exceptions to this rule!

Station 3 – Campsite Assignment

A camp staff member will give you your club's campsite number. You will give this number to your area coordinator so you can participate in the first event, "Build a City." (Information is in the Director's Events Packet). Please note this number is your site number, as campsites will be pre-assigned this year. Each club will receive 150 sq ft per camper and clubs will camp by area in ABC order by club name based on

<u>registration list names.</u> *Your event point sheets will be coded with the number of Pathfinders attending camporee from your club. Each club will receive point sheets for each event individually.

<u>Club entrances will be awarded a prize for best Club Entrance. Be creative but be very safe. Clubs must take back all their supplies used for their entrance. Do not leave any supplies behind.</u>

Station 4 - Director's Registration Package

You will receive a package with needed information for the events, and may include the following: wristbands, director's program, two programs, Pathfinder Camporee events point sheets, Pathfinder Camporee Info, security, and emergency procedures.

Directions to Camp

The Texas Camporee will be held at Lake Whitney Ranch. Lake Whitney is a reservoir lake with beautiful limestone cliffs, nestled in the rolling hills of north central Texas. Lake Whitney Ranch offers grand views and rustic hiking. The ranch comprises more than 900 acres, 400 of which have been left native.

Address 813 FM 2841, Clifton, TX 76634

Baptism

There will be baptisms on Sabbath afternoon for any Pathfinder wishing to be baptized. Please notify your area coordinator with the names of those who wish to be baptized. If they are under the age of 18, they must have permission from a parent or guardian.

Flag Raising and Lowering

There will be formal flag raising and lowering ceremonies on Friday and Saturday. Teams of three Pathfinders per flag will serve as color guards. Pathfinders that are part of the color guard must be at the flagpoles 20 minutes before the ceremony begins. For the ceremonies, each club is to fall in around the flagpoles organized by area. Make sure your full club is in formation at the start of the event. When your club is assembled and your Pathfinders are in position, notify your area coordinator so they can mark your club present. For the flag ceremonies, there are a total of 200 points, 50 points for attending each ceremony.

Services in the Big Tent

Services will be held in the big tent on Thursday and Friday night, Sabbath morning, Sabbath evening, and Sunday morning. Your club will need to bring their own chairs. When choosing a place to set up your chairs, please note the aisle stripping on the ground. Do not place any of your chairs in the aisles. When setting up your chairs do not move another club's chairs. Please set up your chairs as compactly as possible. The tent will be completely full. We will not allow clubs to set up their chairs with more than 30 minutes prior to the program starting, no exceptions, and at least 2 persons must stay with the chairs. If clubs set up chairs more than 30 minutes before the program starts, those clubs will lose 75 points from their total camp points.

<u>Do NOT leave before the closing prayer</u>. It is disrespectful to the speaker, the other clubs and most importantly to God. The five minutes you save is not worth the message you are sending your Pathfinders. As directors and staff, you are the example they will watch and follow. Join in the singing, don't talk during the meeting, pay attention to the speakers, help your Pathfinders stay focused on the meeting, and stay until the end.

Camporee points

Club scores will be based on the highest overall score. Those within 90% of the highest score will be awarded first place. Those between 80% and 89% of the highest will receive second place. Those between 70% and 79% will receive third place. Those below 70% will receive participation recognition.

Every club must do all the events and every Pathfinder must participate in 2 activities on Sabbath afternoon. Be sure that each Pathfinder has the chance to participate in at least 2 of the competition events on Friday so all your pathfinders can learn and have fun while competing.

Clubs can receive extra points. To find out how, read all the information in this packet. **Activities on Sabbath are not for points.**

Checkout Process

Once your camp area and surrounding roadways have been cleared, trash removed and holes filled in, you will need an area coordinator or their designee to inspect your site and approve your release. Once this is completed, the person inspecting the site will sign off the club/church name form to be taken to the conference tent with an approval to check out. The director or their designee will go to the conference tent so that your club can receive their patches and you are free to leave.

Please note – vehicles will not be allowed in the camping area until Security deems it is safe. This will be Sunday morning after the award ceremony and after all campers are back at their campsites. Clubs may strike camp as soon as they want first thing Sunday AM, but be sure that everyone attends the closing ceremony and cheers on their club. We will do our best to do the closing ceremony as quickly as possible so that all clubs may go back and continue to strike camp. We want all clubs to check out by noon so that our camp staff may leave too.

Sabbath Afternoon Activities

On Sabbath afternoon there will be various activities offered. They will range from hikes to the back wilderness area to programs in the big tent. Pathfinders and staff are free to participate in any of these activities. These activities are not for points but to help your Pathfinders have a blessed Sabbath day. Keep in mind that club entrances display are well worth a visit.

Port-A-Potties

To make visiting the port-a-potty a more pleasant experience during camporee, we have compiled a list of suggestions for proper etiquette (protocol) for those of us having to share our outhouses (port-a-potties).

In packing for camp don't forget the following items:

- One (1) ply toilet tissue. You know we always run out! And the fluffy two (2) ply tissue causes a mound to build up in the potty. Think of 2 X #2 = Mound. Yuck!
- Disinfecting wipes. Use to make sure seats have no residue before and after use. Be sure to put wipes in a trashcan outside of the port-a-potty. The only things that should go into the port-a-potty hole are "pee, poop, and tissue!"
- Hand sanitizer, wipes, or spray. It gets rid of germs!

To prepare your Pathfinders, give them tips for personal hygiene when sharing public toilets, or outhouses.

- Male Pathfinders should use the urinal when appropriate.
- Urinals should not be used to rest belongings, such as cell phones, toiletry bags, or the tissue roll.
- Lining the seat with toilet paper will add to the mound.
- Use wipes or hand sanitizer to clean hands after using port-a-potty.
- Remember to put wipes into a trashcan near port-a-potties.

Etiquette suggestions:

- **1.** Wait your turn and don't save spots. At some point during the camporee, there is bound to be a line for the bathroom. But no matter what, cutting is never cool. Allowing your friends to join you in line is bound to upset anyone with a full bladder. Sorry, first come, first served.
- **2. Get down to business** and **leave your phone behind.** Be considerate of others who may be waiting this isn't the best time for a full makeup redo or sending a text message in private. Don't be the one that drops their phone in the mound!
- **3.** Let us know you're there. Have you opened the door into a port-a potty, and someone was sitting there or better yet pulling up their pants? It didn't make your day, did it? You want to keep your private business private? Then be sure to **lock the door** before using the port-a-potty.
- **4. Relax, open, and close the door with your hand.** Like stores, restaurants, church, and libraries, port-a-potties are just another example of something we share with others. If you shake hands with people without first using hand sanitizer, you can open the door to a port-a-potty, too. But please **do** wash your hands or use hand sanitizer afterwards. At night, please close the door **quietly**, so we don't disturb or wake up others that are sleeping.
- **5.** Put the lid down after using the port-a-potty. If the lid is kept shut when the outhouse is not in use, the vent (usually a long pipe in the port-a-potty) will reduce odors inside the outhouse by venting them outdoors.
- **6.** Clean up after yourself. "Pathfinders leave a place better and cleaner than they find it." Leaving a place, a little cleaner than you found it is a sign of great manners. Make sure the toilet paper gets in the port-a-potty hole and leave the seat down and free of any surprise "sprinkles" for the next guest. If the person before you forgot to do their part, leaving it clean for the next person will be greatly appreciated.

7. **Hold the door.** Have you ever gone from one potty to the next looking for a clean one? Holding the door for the next person lets them know that the port-a-potty is free to use. It also lets them know that is clean and that you took care of that for them! This is a major act of kindness!

This is our list of some common courtesies (you may think of more) to keep in mind for our camporee and hopefully for a good port-a-potty experience!

Managing Wind Conditions

Central Texas has moderate to high wind all the time. Keep this in mind as you prepare your supplies for your club campsite. All your canopies should be staked down with longer nail spikes or screw-in anchors, not with the short stakes that they often come with. Make sure that the tents are set up so that they are all staked down securely. Some clubs in the past have brought shelving or cabinets for storage. This can be very dangerous. If you are bringing shelving, make sure to tie it down securely. When designing your club entrance, keep the wind in mind and design accordingly.

Cars and Parking

For the safety of your Pathfinders, car movement in camp as well as in and out of camp is tightly controlled. Once you have finished at the registration tent you and your vehicles will follow the signs into the camping area. All vehicles must have a label that will be provided at check-in. After the cars, buses, etc. have been unloaded they are to be moved to the designated parking area, outside of the main campgrounds. *NO Vehicles* can be left in the campsite, but detached trailers will be allowed in the campsite, or a cargo vehicle used for storage, but will not be moved until checkout time on Sunday.

If you need to leave LWR at any time during the camporee, you may use your vehicles in the parking area. Make sure you have your wristbands on, and your car is marked, or you will not be allowed back into the camp. There are county sheriffs stationed at the gate who will enforce access rules. Be sure to look at the schedule for gate closing and opening times and follow them.

Golf Carts/Bicycles

Only golf carts and ATVs provided by the conference are allowed on LWR. These carts must only carry the number of people for which there are seats. No standing is allowed. All drivers must be at least 21 years of age and hold a valid driver's license.

Only approved Conference personnel and security personnel are allowed to ride bicycles. All bicycles must be tagged, and riders must wear a helmet at all times. No exceptions to this rule.

Trash

Large dumpsters are strategically placed in the campgrounds. This is where your club's trash is to be placed. **Do not rely on others to pick up your trash**. Be prepared to take trash to proper receptacles. Any large items or broken chairs, air mattress, the club's large entry material, etc. are to be taken out with you and discarded at your church or home. Be sure that those taking trash to the dumpsters are tall and strong enough to put trash all the way in the receptacle. If trash is above the top of the dumpster, please notify Conference personnel; do not leave trash next to the dumpster.

***NO HUMAN WASTE IN TRASH BAGS OR RECEPTACLES, EXCEPT FOR DIAPERS ***

DO NOT PUT ANY BAGS CONTAINING HUMAN WASTE IN PORT-A-POTTIES

On Sunday – DO NOT LEAVE ANY TRASH AT YOUR CAMPSITE.

Water Distribution

For your convenience water stations have been set up around the camp for each club to carry to your campsite. Water stations are located near the Texas Gate and near both sides of the main tent. We recommend that each club take a wagon to haul the water and closed containers to carry the water back to their campsites.

Please Note - Water is for cooking and drinking ONLY.

No Bathing Within Campsites is Allowed

THERE ARE NO GREY WATER PITS AT LWR. YOU MUST TAKE A WAGON TO CARRY GREY WATER TO DUMP STATIONS and BUCKETS BIG ENOUGH TO CARRY THE WATER AND NOT GET SPILLED ON THE WAY TO THE WATER DUMP STATION***

Water for your campsite is "good" (potable) water. It can be used for cooking and drinking. Lake Whitney ranch has a 1200-foot well, which is used not only for the ranch but the adjoining subdivision. The well water is tested 4 times a week to ensure the water is safe to drink.

Medical/Health

We have a medical building set up for first aid only. This is not a clinic or ER and should not be used for checking on pre-existing conditions. There is no charge for the use of the medical personnel. Basic first aid like a finger cut or bug bites should be handled in your camp. Please make sure your club has a first aid kit big enough for your club size.

Medical/Health - Cont'd

If skilled evaluation of an injury or illness is needed, please bring them to the medical building for evaluation. They can evaluate your condition and call an ambulance if necessary. If there is a precondition (asthma or other respiratory issues or other illnesses) please bring your own devices (such as a nebulizer) and medication for your treatment.

Due to COVID-19 and variants protocols it is important that everyone follows these instructions. Before leaving your home/church, each Medical Consent form must show the temperature is normal for all attendees. Any temperature of 99.8 or above will be sent home; therefore, please plan accordingly and do not take anyone that has that temperature.

If skilled evaluation of an injury or illness is needed, please call the medical staff on duty, or contact security (DO NOT CALL 911). They will come to you and transport the person to the medical station for evaluation. They can evaluate the condition and call an ambulance if necessary. For everyone staying at your campsite, have them learn the name of the road your site is on and ask them to know your campsite number. It is very important that your club site number and club name sign are visible all weekend.

Let's be observant of our youth

Although it is normal for youth to go through some changes as they mature, pay attention if you notice changes to their:

- Mood
- Behavior
- Energy level
- Appetite

Likewise, take note if they:

- stop doing things that used to make them happy
- isolate themselves
- change their daily ability to function

Communicate with them and be supportive without being judgmental. They may need your help and it could be a sign they need to talk to a mental health professional.

Resources

<u>Mental Health Articles - Adventist Youth Ministries - NAD</u> <u>https://adventistyouthministries.org/resources/mental-health/mental-health-articles</u>

<u>PsySon | Psicología Cristiana</u> <u>https://www.instagram.com/psysononline/</u>

Child Mind Institute https://childmind.org/

Medical/ - Cont'd

Dehydration

The number one health issue at camp is dehydration. Please, please make sure everyone in your camp is drinking enough water. We recommend that each Pathfinder have a canteen or other refillable water container with a strap or lanyard, and that they fill it in camp each time they are leaving your campsite. This is better than a water bottle that they will set down some place and not drink.

Be on the lookout for signs of dehydration:

- dry or sticky mouth
- few or no tears when crying
- eyes that look sunken into the head
- lack of urine
- dry, cool skin
- lethargy or irritability
- fatigue or dizziness

Making a canteen part of their field uniform will help but also keep reminding them to drink their water.

Sun & Wind Burn

The sun at LWR can be very intense. Please make sure your Pathfinders and staff members wear sun and wind protection, including protection for their lips.

Basic feminine hygiene

Our youth are growing up so fast! As leaders – let's be prepared.

We suggest all Pathfinder Directors appoint a female leader that can instruct our female Pathfinders on how they should keep themselves and dispose of feminine hygiene products during their menstrual cycle.

We also suggest having a kit with feminine hygiene products available for those who experience this event for the first time or those who forget to bring their own. In our club - we call it Code Purple. You can name it how you think is appropriate for your club. This is to facilitate and teach our ladies not to be embarrassed when it happens and to get the support they need.

First Aid

Remember, safety first! Don't Panic!

In the event of an accident, we suggest Directors have a basic first aid kit.

Being prepared is the best way to avoid panic. Being ready for anything will help you to stay calm, sum up the situation quickly, and proceed with more efficient, capable action.

The ideal kit that will prepare you for most injuries and emergencies should include the following items:

Medical/Health - Cont'd

- Benadryl (generic Diphenhydramine) liquid
- Antibiotic ointment or cream
- Antacid (liquid)
- Calamine lotion
- Antihistamine cream
- 1% hydrocortisone cream
- Povidone-iodine solution
- Aspirin, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen
- Sterile eye-wash solution

Your kit should also contain bandages and dressing supplies including:

- Commercial Band-Aid bandages
- Sterile cotton balls
- Cotton-tipped swabs
- Sterile gauze (pads and rolls)
- Elastic bandage rolls
- Extra bandage clips
- Butterfly bandages
- Sterile eye patches
- Regular adhesive bandages (multiple sizes)
- Adhesive tape (waterproof and stretchable)
- Toothbrush case

It is very important to remind children and parents if they are currently taking prescription medication to bring the meds along. Ex. If they have asthma (Inhaler), if allergic (EpiPen), etc.

Nebulizers will not be available; therefore, if needed, people must provide their own.

Remind them to drink plenty of water and they need to urinate at least 6-8 times/day.

We need to be conscience not only for their physical health but also their emotional health. As leaders and staff, we need to remain calm and show them support and understanding.

TLT – Teen Leadership Training

The TLT program is for those in grades 9-12 who wish to advance into leadership positions. The program is optional, and some teen Pathfinders may not choose to take part. Please note TLT need to be registered with the conference office before Camporee to participate. *

TLT supported activities will begin Saturday after worship/lunch. TLTs will operate activities and attain experience and community service hours.

Texas TLT t-shirts will be for sale at the conference tent.

Policies

Generator Policy

Generators are allowed in your campsite. There are strict policies as to the times they are allowed to run. They can be operated between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. each day.

Please note, if your camp has no generator and uses other forms of lighting, your club will receive 100 extra bonus points.

If you have your generator on before 6:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m. you will lose 50 points. If your generator remains on after you have been cautioned, your club will lose 100 points.

There may be exceptions made to the use of generators for medical reasons, but they must be cleared, and clubs must inform camp staff prior to arriving at camp of this.

Quiet Time Policy

All campers are to observe quiet time from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. This includes staff or Pathfinders getting up early to cook or late evening games in your campsite.

Day Pass Policy

We are very sorry, but day passes are not available.

Drone Policy

The use of drones at Pathfinder events is prohibited. There may be a drone from the conference communication team, but other drones are prohibited. Leave them at home.

Pet Policy

Pets are not allowed at any Pathfinder event, including all types of pets, dogs, cats, turtles, iguanas, rabbits, etc. <u>No</u> pets are allowed. If you bring a pet onto the ranch property, you will be asked to leave. The county sheriff's department will escort you off the premises with your pet. The only exceptions are service animals. **Lake Whitney Ranch has a \$200 fine for pets on the ranch.**

If you are bringing a service animal, it must be registered with the security personnel. At the registration tent let them know you have a service animal to register, and security will be notified. They will work with you to get your animal registered with them.

*** WHAT NOT TO TAKE TO CAMP

NO DRUGS OR ANY TYPE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR ILLEGAL DRUGS

NO KNIVES, NO GUNS, OR ANY TYPE OF WEAPONS

Also, leave behind a bad or negative attitude.

Policies

Shower Times and Policies

There are bath houses at the camp for our campers to use. Each building has multiple shower stalls. Shower facilities will be open at specific times. A schedule will be posted at the bath houses. During the meetings we will allow only cooks and adult staff to shower; therefore, please plan accordingly so that an adult is with the pathfinders during the meetings. In any case, we highly recommend that everyone attend the meetings, especially the message.

After 10 p.m. no minors will be allowed in the showers unless accompanied by an adult.

10 minutes before every hour, the showers will close for approximately 10 minutes for cleaning. Master Guides/Volunteers and trainees will be in charge, please be sure to follow instructions, respect them and thank them for their service.

The shoes you wear to the showers cannot be used inside the showers. Each person must have shower shoes that they must carry separately for actual entering to shower. (These can be flip flops/chanclas.) Do not wear these shoes to walk to the shower building. You will put them on once you get to the shower mats directly outside the shower building. This keeps the showers clean, reducing the amount of time it takes to clean or unclog the showers.

When you get to the front of the line, stand on the floor mat, and take off your outdoor shoes and put on your shower shoes. Then you will be allowed into the shower building. Each shower is calculated to take 5 minutes. This may seem short, but it is doable. We recommend you use shampoo with conditioner to save one step. There are hundreds of people wishing to shower, so keep the time limit in mind as you shower.

We will provide different color wristbands for the adults and one wristband that will say "director". This director's wristband is not necessary for the director if you choose to have some else wear it. This "director" wristband will allow the person wearing it to cut through the lines at the shower, so that this person can get in and out quickly to tend to the club without having to be in line too long. Only 1 wristband labeled "Director" will be provided per club.

Please share these shower guidelines with your Pathfinders, staff and volunteers before you arrive at Camporee, and remind them again during the Camporee. We all need to be considerate of one another, and your cooperation will also make life easier for the volunteers who are monitoring the shower houses.

** NO SAVING SPACE IN THE SHOWER LINE ** IF A PERSON ALLOWS ANYONE IN THE LINE FOR SHOWERS, THEY ALL WILL BE ASKED TO GO TO THE END OF THE LINE ** NO EXEPTIONS ** DO NOT SAVE SPACE FOR ANYONE NOR ALLOW ANYONE TO CUT THE LINE; OTHERWISE, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR SPACE **

Security Procedures

Safety is one of our main concerns at Lake Whitney Ranch, and we want to make sure our children, volunteers, and staff members are safe at all times. Because we are in an open-air situation with little to no protection from severe weather, it is important to review these guidelines and procedures, in case of emergency. Thanks for your cooperation.

Bosque County Law Enforcement, Camporee Security personnel and Master Guide personnel will handle daytime patrol and the monitoring of parking lots.

Bosque County Law Enforcement officers will be on duty at night.

Know where your campers are at all times during the Camp. Please do not let your campers wander off by themselves. A staff member should be with your campers at all times.

Directors, please carry a listing of all your campers at all times, so you can take roll call at any time, in case of emergency. Also, make a 3rd copy of the Medical Consent form and have the adult in charge of each group carry it everywhere they go in case there is a medical emergency they will have immediately available.

Please always stay alert. Be ready for ANY type of emergency: weather (high winds, storm, and rain), intruders, medical, animals (such as snakes or wild animals, etc.). PLEASE STAY ALERT!

Bosque County has a standard wind of between 9-12 mph most of the time. On occasion, with very little warning there can be pocket winds of up to 50 mph. Please secure your camp equipment to handle the sustained winds and be prepared for the higher "surprise" wind.

We will continually monitor the weather, day, and night, for severe weather changes, and will communicate any urgent situations to Club Directors. If a Take Cover situation develops, Security will notify clubs as swiftly as possible. If severe weather conditions take place, our emergency plan will go into action.

Safety Flag Code

By the security tent is a flagpole. Please check the pole regularly to keep yourself and your club notified of current weather conditions. The color of the flag will let you know immediately what the current weather conditions are. The colors signify as follows:

Green – All Clear
Red – fire
Purple – tornados
Black – thunderstorms
Yellow – high winds
Royal Blue – chance of storms
White – heat advisory

Severe Weather

- 1. In case of a severe weather report, club staff should assemble their entire club and take roll to make sure the entire club is accounted for. Report to your Area Coordinator (or any Security Staff) that your club is accounted for. This procedure must take less than 5 minutes.
- 2. If there is anyone missing in your group, please contact any Security Staff (or your Area Coordinator) as soon as it is safe.
- 3. Security Staff will oversee evacuating Bathroom and Shower areas, as well as the various Event Locations. They will instruct individuals to join the rest of their club. This procedure must take less than 5 minutes.
- 4. If there is lightning, be cautious in using your cellular phone.
- 5. Please do not panic. Encourage your club to stay calm as they make their way to the appropriate locations or wait for further instructions.
- 6. Emergency Kits can be retrieved from your campsite area, by the Security Staff, for usage once there is an "all clear".
- 7. Plan your EMERGENCY KIT. Make sure you have all the proper equipment inside, with updated supplies. Review the following:

Emergency Kit: Each Club must have an Emergency Kit consisting of a big trash container with wheels, easy to pull, and specific color (red), to differentiate from the other containers at your campsite. The container must bear a sign that says Emergency Kit and include the full name of your Church on the sign (i.e., San Antonio East Gate Sp). You are to use reflector paint which will make containers easy to identify when it is dark. Your kit must contain, enough for 15 people, the following supplies: canned food or dry food, can opener, supply of water, a radio, fresh battery, flashlight, and blankets. Prior to each campout, check your supply for expiration dates on food, fresh battery life, then discard or replace as appropriate.

Tornado

- 1. As quickly as possible take cover by dropping to the ground to the lowest level you can find.
- 2. Lying face down on the ground, place your hands over your head to cover the back of your head.
- 3. Stay low on the ground until everything is all clear.

Rain or Storm

- 1. If secure, take cover in your own tent or eating structure.
- 2. Monitor your tent to make sure water is not coming in.
- 3. Stay together as a group.
- 4. Do not touch any live wires, for any reason.
- 5. Should conditions under the tent or eating structure become dangerous, proceed to personal vehicles or buses, and remain there until given the "all clear."

In Case of Injury

- 1. During severe weather the designated triage assembly points are the shower area. If the wounded subject is mobile, please bring them to the shower area for treatment or evacuation.
- If the wounded subject is not mobile, please immediately contact a Security staff member or law enforcement personnel and they will contact Emergency Medical to bring treatment to the wounded subject. <u>DO NOT CALL 911</u>! First responders will already be on site.
- 3. DO NOT BEGIN DRIVING PERSONAL VEHICLES IN THE CAMPGROUND. This will only slow the emergency response and treatment of the wounded subject.

General Security Information

We want to make sure our youth and staff members are always safe. If you need to report a problem, look for one of our Security Staff who is wearing a radio and/or security vest.

When campers arrive at Lake Whitney, Master Guides, Pathfinder Leaders, and/or Adventurer Leaders will greet them. Once the club has parked their vehicle at the entrance the Director (or designee) of the club will go inside the registration tent where they will receive all the information and package they will need to enter into the campsite.

- 1. Make sure everyone puts on their wrist band.
- 2. Once you have reached your campsite, take everything out of your vehicle, place the material inside your campsite and park your vehicle in the assigned parking lot. Please follow the guidelines in the "Build a City" event when unloading vehicles. Remember that the vehicles must be moved during the time to finish "Build a City"; otherwise, points will be taken off from the total points received for the event.
- 3. If you come in after hours, you will not be able to set up your tent or drive to the campsite until the next day. Everyone will have to be verified by registration so Security can know who is on the property.
- 4. The only vehicles that will be moving around the campsite are authorized vehicles.
- 5. The only time bicycles are authorized is if there is an event that is monitored by the event coordinator and only for security personnel. Also, bicycles may be used by Area Coordinators and official Camporee personnel.
- 6. Personal golf carts, ATVs, or mopeds are not allowed on the property.
- 7. Animals are not allowed on the property, except for registered service animals.
- 8. Respect the Police and Master Guides. Follow their directions and always listen to them.
- 9. If you have questions, contact your Area Coordinator

Remember the PF Law and Pledge and always live by it. But, most important, get closer to Jesus, Camporees are the best opportunities to get closer to our Savior! Have fun and be Safe!

Sincerely,

Texas Conference Pathfinder Coordinators