Notes from the 10/27/26 Council Jamboree 10-day Out Meeting

- All youth and adults camping overnight must be registered with Scouting America.
- Adults must be up to date on youth protection training.
- The Troop must bring health forms A and B for all participants and show that we have them on arrival.
- The unit must have its own First Aid kit. Scouts who are injured will be treated in their campsite and/or at First Aid stations at various areas on the Jamboree.
- Personal gear, kitchen equipment, etc. must be hand carried to the campsite (can be up to 1/2 mile). Transportation will be provided for food and coolers only.
- Trailers can be dropped off in advance and left in the campsite starting mid-day Wednesday, through 9 pm Thursday (later if someone calls and lets them know). Otherwise trailers can arrive on Friday but will be parked in a parking area not the campsite.
- All vehicles must display a full size copy of the parking permit that I sent out earlier today by PDF. We'll know which parking letter to put on it after November 1.
- All vehicles just dropping off a Scout must have an 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper with DROP OFF written in large print to assist with traffic direction.
- Arrival starts at 3 PM on Friday. Expecting close to 3,000 (probably means 1200+ vehicles).
- Leaders are to report to the subcamp headquarters tent to check in and receive their packet. The packets will contain additional information, maps, wristbands, and passports. The passports are used by Scouts to earn points by visiting and participating in various activities. Ten points earns them a “prize” which was not specified.
- Wristbands must be worn at all times. Anyone, youth or adult, without a wristband may be removed from the Jamboree.
- I recommend that Scouts whose wristbands break or fall off, stuff them in a pocket. If they have it, wearing it or not, they should be OK.
- Wristbands will have leader’s name and cell phone number on it. This makes it easier for staff to notify a leader quickly if there is a problem or injury or to help a Scout find their subcamp if they get lost.
- There will be a mandatory meeting of leaders at 10 PM on Friday at the subcamp headquarters.

- Class B is the uniform of the day plus whatever is appropriate for the weather (jacket, hat, rain gear, etc.).
- All campsite fires must be in burn barrels. However, campsites will be very crowded and I don't recommend using the necessary space (and safety clearance) for a fire.
- No walking on the roads.
- Water buffalos will be available in each subcamp to provide potable water for drinking and cooking.
- Campsites will be organized in Jamboree style. Tents will be pitched with minimal/no spacing between them. Typical Jamboree spacing almost has tents sharing the same stakes on their sides.
- All adults attending Jamboree should download the app from the Google or Apple store. Search for MTC Scouting Events. The app allows adults to request help, see what events are going on, get maps of event areas, get in touch with staff, etc.
- Because we will likely be sharing a site with one or more other Troops, Scouts should not bring anything valuable, including cell phones. I hate to say it but the only time the Troop has experienced theft has been in Jamboree/Camporee settings. We will have 2 adults in camp at all times including during the arena show.
- There will be multiple trading posts set up around the Jamboree site as well as food trucks. Food trucks will accept cash or credit. Scouts should bring enough cash to get lunch at a food truck but we will have light lunches available in camp if the lines are too long or the prices too high. I suggest $20-30 if possible. That should cover lunch and a snack from a trading post.
- On Sunday, all campsites must be free of gear and clean before departure. The phone app can be used to request an inspection of the site. The Troop must not leave before the site has been inspected and approved.
- Everyone should be off site by Noon on Sunday. Nobody will be permitted to leave until the site has been approved. Parking will be such that it will probably be impossible to get to a vehicle other than at the regular departure time. Anyone having to leave early will have to have a vehicle parked in Saturday "day parking" and may have to leave on Saturday.
- Keep in mind that trying to get 1200+ vehicles, many with trailers, out of Boxwell and onto the highway in 3-4 hours will produce a significant traffic jam. Don't count on being an early bird, up and out. It isn't going to happen.
- If we don't have a trailer, they recommend we bring carts to haul our gear to the site. That would mean the Troop having to purchase them for one-time use and store them.

- LF (Lower Field) where we will be camping is directly below the amphitheater. Most of this is not flat ground and is not an area normally used for camping. (Think the field behind the Stahlman dining hall.)
- Maps will be available on the Council website soon.
- The entire presentation will be on the Council website soon for those who want to check the information or see the answers to questions asked by attendees.
- There will be an arena show from 7 until 9:30 on Saturday followed by a drone show at 9:30.
- I strongly recommend bringing a chair or a tarp to sit on at the arena show. The alternative is to have chiggers and other critters crawling up your pantlegs and giving you a whole new view on life.
- Please don't shoot the messenger (I thought I'd better add this.)