



“WE SUPPORT CAMPING” AWARD CRITERIA

SOUTHERN REGION - ORDER OF THE ARROW

To annually recognize those Southern Region lodges whose camping support efforts greatly enhance their council’s outdoor programs, the Lodge Camping Support Subcommittee of the Southern Region Order of the Arrow Committee developed the **“We Support Camping” Award**. Each lodge that completes the following two requirements by the end of the calendar year will be presented the award at their next section conclave, and be recognized through eVoice, the Southern Region OA Website, and at Scouting’s National Annual Meeting.

1. Complete All Five (5) Items

- a. Provide funding to the council for two (2) camperships for summer camp
- b. Encourage active lodge members to serve on summer camp staff
- c. Complete Scout Executive-approved service project(s) on council’s camp property
- d. Utilize chapters (or camping promotion committee if the lodge does not have chapters) to conduct council-wide camp promotions to troops and teams
- e. Organize an OA Service Corps for council / district outdoor activities

2. Complete Any Additional Three (3) Items

- a. Provide an OA Camp Coordinator for summer camp
- b. Provide leaders & guides to council high adventure activities
- c. Provide camping instructors & staff to council and district training venues
- d. Develop an OA Indian Village at summer camp to ‘impress’ first year campers
- e. Publish or update a *Where To Go Camping Guide*
- f. Help with the identification & recruitment of potential summer camp unit leaders
- g. Encourage active lodge members to serve on fall or winter camp staff

The purpose of the award is to encourage and incentivize lodges to sharpen their focus on their camping support programs within their council. As such, the Region’s Lodge Camping Support Subcommittee will provide support and encourage all Southern Region lodges as they serve their councils in these camping support programs.