



Frequently Asked Questions About Camp-Ins

What is a Camp-In?

Space Center Houston has opened its facility for an educational overnight experience. The Educational Programs Crew has developed a program that allows campers to utilize Space Center Houston to fulfill camp/badge requirements.

Will we tour Space Center Houston?

No, this overnight experience is not a guided tour of the facility. We use the atmosphere and the various attractions/exhibits that correlate with the theme of the evening. Because so many activities are packed into a camp-in, the counselors keep a tight schedule. Free time and gift shop time are incorporated into your next day visit. A next day visit is included in the registration fees.

Is there 24-hour security available?

Yes! Safety is Space Center Houston's number one concern. Security personnel are at each camp-in round-the-clock, as well as patrolling the outside area.

Is there a First Aid facility?

Space Center Houston houses a first aid station that is available during the day. For the overnight, each group is responsible for a First Aid Responder being present. Space Center Houston Camp Staff has access to a basic first aid kit for your use.

What exactly are my campers paying for?

An awesome experience, of course! Many would love the opportunity to "spend the night" at Space Center Houston, but we currently only reserve this experience for the American Heritage Girls, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts. Not only do the campers work on their badge requirements, but they experience activities not available to the general public. Because we are a not-for-profit organization, Educational Programs must support their own efforts. Costs incurred during a typical camp-in include: reserving the facility for the entire evening, materials, food and staff.

Can I bring my family?

Only registered scouts and their leaders/chaperones attend a Camp-In. Chaperones are not permitted to bring any children who are not registered or who do not meet the designated age level or gender requirements for a camp-in.



What are a leader/chaperone responsibilities during a camp-in?

Space Center Houston's policy requires that all campers be under the direct supervision of an adult leader at all times. The counselors really need your help with: maintaining discipline/attention, staying with your team, upbeat attitude (campers mirror you), helping the campers with some activities. Leaders must have all of the participants' (campers and adults) medical forms readily available in case of an emergency.

Whose responsibility is it to purchase badges for the camp-in?

Because campers are from various organizations, it is the leader's responsibility to purchase badges from a scout store. As a leader, it is your discretion as to how you want to award badges to your campers. Space Center Houston does have a camp patch available the night of the camp for \$7 each.

How much sleep will we get?

About as much sleep as you would get from a slumber party with 350 people. Sleep time is about 8 hours. Lights out ranges from 10:30-11:30 p.m. depending on the camper/scout level evening.

