



World Scout Jamboree 2019 - Information and Criteria for Participants

The 24th World Scout Jamboree will be an adventure beyond anything you can imagine. It is to be hosted jointly between Boy Scouts of America, Scouts Canada and the Scout Association of Mexico.

The UK Contingent will be made up of participants, their Unit Leaders, International Service Team and a Contingent Management and Support Team (UK Contingent Team). The successful North West England team will be joining a team with a Scout group from Merseyside and two other groups who are to be confirmed shortly.

Participants must be born between 22 July 2001 and 21 July 2005. There will be absolutely no exceptions to this rule.

Where and when is it?

The 24th World Scout Jamboree (WSJ) is being held at The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve in West Virginia, USA, between 22 July and 2 August 2019. The group will be abroad for a total of up to 3 weeks. The WSJ is a gathering of tens of thousands of Scouts & Guides from almost every country in the world who, for ten days live together, experience each others cultures, take part in exciting activities and have an amazing adventure. 3,500 Scouts and Guides from across the UK will be joining this unique and special event.

How much will it cost?

The cost for the jamboree and the planning and preparation events is still be confirmed - due mid-October. The payments will be in stages with the first £400 due this November.

Essential Criteria for Participants Applying

- Participants must be born between 22 July 2001 and 21 July 2005. There will be absolutely no exceptions to this rule
- Prepared to commit a large amount of time for the preparation over the next 2 years
- Interest in international guiding
- Ability to work in a team
- Strong commitment to guiding
- Be mentally and physically fit to cope with heat and high humidity
- Able to cope with three weeks away from home
- Open to new experiences and challenges
- Able to cope with a couple of days of home hospitality with an American family
- Prepared to fundraise the required money

If you fit all the above criteria, please complete the application form and send it electronically to northwesthq@girlguidingnwe.org.uk by **31st July at the latest**.

For Participants applying: after reviewing all the applications, a number of applicants will be invited to meet with the Region International Adviser team on 3rd September (venue tbc). Please keep this date free until you hear from them, should your application be taken forward it is essential you make this date.

For more information about WSJ 2019, visit www.scouts.org.uk/wsj