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“Draw your dream”

1st August to 12th August 2023*

In Saemangeum, Jeollabuk-do Province, South Korea.

To be eligible to be a youth participant at the 25th World Scout Jamboree, you must have been born between 22nd July 2005, and 31st July 2009*.

If you are older on the given date, you may be able to apply to become a member of the UK International Service Team.



***Date/details might change due to Covid-19**

If you are interested in taking part in this unique experience please speak to your Scout Leader and register your initial interest by email to:

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See overleaf for some details of the selection process and more information.

- **What is the World Scout Jamboree?** The World Scout Jamboree is a global gathering of Scouts and Guides aged 14 to 18 from over 169 countries. The event itself offers a unique international experience with opportunities to meet Scouts and Guides from around the World and to take part in exciting activities. It will be an amazing adventure.
- **When is the Jamboree/how long will I be away for?**
The dates of the Jamboree itself are 1st – 12th August 2023. However, you should also allow several days for pre/post Jamboree experiences. Overall, you are likely to be away for around 2 ½ weeks.
- **Where is the Jamboree?**
The 25th World Scout Jamboree will be held in Saemanguem, South Korea. The Korea Scout Association was founded in the year 1922 and is now the largest youth organization in South Korea. South Korea also hosted the 17th World Scout Jamboree in 1991.
- **What is a Jamboree campsite like?**
A Jamboree is the size of a small town, once everyone arrives there will be tents as far as the eye can see! It can often take as long as one hour to walk from one side of the site to another, particularly if you keep stopping to say hello to Scouts from all over the World! Your unit will be allocated a small area to camp in, this is where you will sleep, cook and relax for the 12 days.
- **What will a typical day be like at the Jamboree?**
You will normally go to activities as a whole Unit, or sometimes in your Patrol of 9 Scouts and 1 Leader. There are a huge variety of amazing activities in a typical Jamboree programme, too many to list here! Here are a few examples: ‘Smart and Scientific’ – a chance to look at the latest tech
 ‘ACT- Adventure, Culture and tradition’ – cultural exchange from K-pop music to Bibimbap food via the Hangul alphabet
 Sustainability – in the Global Development Village
 Scouting Activities

In the evening, after the duty Patrol has cooked dinner (maybe with some visiting Scouts from another country), there is still lots to do on site. You might choose to go badge swapping, trying to find the rarest badges out there. Or, you might join in some of the evening entertainment, watching a traditional performance from another country or even getting up on stage yourself!

- **What are the ceremonies?**
It wouldn’t be a Jamboree without the Opening and Closing Ceremonies! It is quite incredible to have Scouts from all over the World sat together in one field. The atmosphere is electric and it is likely to be a very special part of your Jamboree experience.
- **What is the pre and post Jamboree programme?**
The UK Contingent typically organises a 2-3 day experience for UK Scouts just before or after the Jamboree. We don’t have any details yet for this for 2023, but as an example, the UK Contingent to the Japan 2015 Jamboree spent 3 days exploring the sights of Tokyo and in USA 2019, units went to New York and Washington DC.
- **What is HoHo?**
There is a long history of Scouts enjoying HoHo (Home or Hosted Hospitality) before or after a Jamboree.

Ho Ho has changed in recent years and the Contingent Team will be working on ways for you to connect to local Koreans as part of your pre/post event experience.
- **Can I combine it with another holiday?**
No. Imagine taking nearly 4,000 young people abroad, individualising pick-ups/meet-ups is just not possible. IST members are able to add their own trip, just select a payment option that includes booking your own flight.

- **How many Scouts from my District and Hertfordshire will be going?**

Each District is allocated a certain number of places, this varies depending on how many eligible Scouts/Explorers are in each District. We normally try to make sure at least one other person from your District is in the same Unit as you.

Each Unit from Hertfordshire consists of 36 Scouts and 4 Leaders and each Unit will be divided into 4 patrols. You get to name your Unit and design your logo!

- **Who are my Jamboree Unit Leaders?**

They are Leaders from across Hertfordshire, who in addition to their usual Scouting role have successfully applied to become one of Hertfordshire's Jamboree Unit Leaders. They will be with you every step of the way, from organising the preparation events in 2022 and 2023 to the Jamboree itself.

- **How many preparation camps will there be?**

Typically, you will need to attend several preparation events in the lead up to the Jamboree. Your Unit leaders will normally try to rotate around different campsites / venues so the same people don't always have to travel the furthest.

You are expected to attend every event unless it is unavoidable. They are really important to ensure that every member of your Unit can work as part of a team to make sure you get the most out of the Jamboree experience. The events are also really fun!

We know from experience, that Unit members who don't make it to all the activities don't get the most out of the Jamboree. You should think about this before applying, as it will be expected that Jamboree activities will take preference over pretty much anything else you might have planned.

- **I play football/work every Saturday morning, what about the preparation events at the weekend?**

Generally, you are expected to attend every event unless it is unavoidable. We would hope that your football team wouldn't miss you too much for one game every couple of months. If it is really important, or you can't get time off work, then you should discuss this with your school / team coach / employer if you are selected.

- **How much will the preparation events/camps cost?**

There will be a cost for food, materials and any activities at the preparation events / camps, just like typical Scout events / camps. These won't be included in the Jamboree fee. Your Jamboree Unit Leaders will do their best to minimise these costs and might expect you to participate in fundraising activities for the Unit, to subsidise these events or buy Unit equipment and clothing.

- **What will my District expect from me?**

As a member of a Hertfordshire Unit, you will be expected to attend certain events to represent Potters Bar and District before and after the Jamboree. Particularly after the Jamboree, as an important part of your role will be to spread the message about International Scouting, by getting out and talking about your experience to younger Scouts across the District.

- **Who can apply to go as a participant?**

To apply to be a participant you must be born between 22nd July 2005 – 31st July 2009*.

- **What happens if I was born outside of these dates?**

If you were born after these dates you will be eligible for the next Jamboree. If you were born before these dates then you should look at other international activities, such as Roverway, or the International Service Team for the Jamboree.

- **I have a disability / special needs, can I still go?**

The Scouting ethos is that Scouting is open to all, and the Jamboree is a good example of this. We will need to know more about you, we may need to carry out a risk assessment and put in place a care plan. This process may identify additional requirements that we need to put in place but if you are selected, we will do everything we can to make the Jamboree happen for you.

- **I don't think I can afford the Jamboree fee?**

The UK Contingent fee for each participant has in the past been £3,000 - £4,000. This is a lot of money but, as with all Scouting activities, we don't want people to be put off applying to attend the Jamboree on financial grounds. The UK Scout Association has not yet finalised the fee for Participants in 2023.

- Your Group and District may be able to offer financial support or help you with fundraising activities.
- Past participants have found it possible to fundraise in the lead up to the Jamboree through things like bag packing and themed evenings. Participants might also seek sponsorship.
- Other bursaries and financial support may be available.
- The fee will be paid in instalments across around 1.5 years.
- If you have concerns, in the first instance you should contact your District to discuss the fee, in confidence. Please do not let it put you off applying.
- In the past parents and other family members have helped participant to organise fundraising events.

- **How do I find out further information?**

- There are lots of people who will be able to help you:
- Your Scout/Explorer leader
- Previous Jamboree participants

- **How are Potters Bar and District Scouts selecting their Jamboree Participants?**

Potters Bar and District Scouts have been allocated 3 participant places and it is expected that there will be more applicants than places. It is planned to hold a selection event on Sunday 21st November 2021.

Application forms can be found on the Potters Bar and District Scout website: pbscouts.org.uk and must be completed and returned to Jonathan King, Potters Bar and District International Adviser no later than 12 noon on Monday 8th November 2021 by email to jonathandking49@btinternet.com

