Join the Minerals Education Coalition Team At the 2023 National Scout Jamboree!

Help us LEAD Scouts into an awesome STEM future that includes Mining!
Work with Scouts to help them appreciate the critical role mining plays in modern society and their everyday lives, and help them along the way as they fulfill requirements for the Mining in Society merit badge!

WHO
Youth/Young Adults: Ages 16-33
Adults: Age 34+

WHEN
Session 1: July 16-23
Session 2: July 24-29
Session 3: July 16-29
Session 3 is the full Jamboree

WHERE
Summit Bechtel Reserve - Mount Hope, West Virginia

COST
Session 1 or 2 Ages 16-33 $400 Age 34+ $700
Session 3 Ages 16-33 $675 Age 34+ $1200

OTHER OPTIONS
You can also come work as exhibit staff, staying off site in a hotel and working an alternate schedule of days that better fits your availability.

Financial assistance is also available for SME members on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Megan Martin (martin@smenet.org) at the SME Foundation for more details.

SIGN UP NOW!
Visit bit.ly/23NSJ-MIS to let us know you’re on board and to get more registration details.
The National Scout Jamboree is a quadrennial two-week encampment for boys and girls, ages 13-18, in the Scouts BSA program. Held at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in rural West Virginia, it includes activities such as camping, hiking, fishing, boating, skateboarding, and shooting sports, plus cultural and learning experiences for the thousands of Scouts in attendance.

Since 2013, the Minerals Education Coalition has provided a booth at national jamborees, introducing Scouts to the Mining in Society merit badge. The 24th World Scout Jamboree, held at the Summit in 2019, welcomed 40,000+ participants from around the globe and the MEC provided a mining exhibit there as well. Delayed from 2021 to 2023 due to the pandemic, planning for the next national jamboree is now underway. Between 10 and 15,000 Scouts are expected to attend.

Journey to the Middle of Your Mobile
There’s nothing more universally relatable to teens than their mobile phones! Our program will include touchpoints to Scouts’ mobile devices - and the global nature of mining. Additionally, our exhibit will be located within the “STEM Quest” program area, which will help reinforce mining’s place in our modern, technologically-advanced society. This area will be centrally located near the headquarters of the Jamboree, a prime location that will ensure great visibility and foot traffic.

Staffing
Our exhibit will be staffed primarily with SME members from around the US, as well as local mining professionals who may volunteer to work one or more days. All week-long staff will be registered volunteers who have completed the BSA’s Youth Protection Training program. Day staff options are also available, allowing staff to stay off-site at a local hotel and work a schedule compatible with their availability.

Costs
The fee for staff – which includes on-site meals and lodging, but not transportation to and from the event - will be $700 for one week or $1200 for both weeks. The fee for young adult staff (ages 16-33) will be $400 for one week or $675 for both weeks. This “Young Adult” fee represents a great opportunity for SME student members and Young Leaders to get involved! These costs will be payable directly to the BSA. Day staff cost will be minimal, with a small fee to help cover logistics.

Breaking News! December 2022
We’re pleased to announce funding assistance for SME members to help defray Jamboree costs – and not just registration! These offers are limited by available funds while they last, and are available on a FIRST-COME BASIS. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please contact the SME Foundation’s Megan Martin (martin@smenet.org) and she can work through details with you.

Contact
For more information or to find out about joining our staff at the 2023 National Scout Jamboree, contact Charlie Zimmerman, MEC Scouting Subcommittee Chair, at clz@ideacoms.net.