

Dear parent,

Your son has been chosen/recruited to do the grocery shopping for his patrol for the

_____ camping trip on

_____. He must shop for _____ boys.

He has been budgeted \$ _____ for his shopping.

Troop 10 is trying to teach the boys about budgeting and shopping wisely, along with trying to eliminate waste by overspending. The troop's system is as follows:

1. Camp-out is chosen.
2. Boys let leader in charge know if they re going to camp out.
3. Patrol decides on a menu for camp-out.
4. A scout in the patrol is chosen to do the shopping.
5. Take your son shopping. We recommend shopping at Aldi's, Gordon Food Service (GFS), or another discount store. (Reminder-Aldi's only takes cash or debit cards and if you go to GFS tell the cashier you're with Boy Scout Troop 10). You will need to help your son make executive decisions as to what should be eliminated from the list if he goes over the budgeted amount.
6. Reimbursement will be made by the Troop Treasurer (currently Ray Catania 815.464.8550). In order to be reimbursed, the Treasurer will need receipts for anything purchased for the camp out. We strongly request that the receipts provided be for Boy Scout items only. Please don't mix family groceries and troop items on the same receipt. Quite often, parents prefer to have the reimbursement added directly into the scouts account so that the scout has money available (and parents do not have to write checks for every outing) for future events. An expense form (copy is attached) is available on the Troop website located at:
<http://www.troopten.com/2.html>
7. Please try to stay within the budgeted amount for the shopping. While we do not want any family to put out any extra expense for groceries above their son's camping fee, we also want to teach the boys to spend only what they were given.
8. If any boy commits to going on the camping trip and then is unable to make the trip after the groceries were already bought, that boy will be responsible to pay the food portion of the camping fee.

Any questions, please contact any troop leader or Troop 10 camp coordinator Laura Kies at 815.592.1070.