



## COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

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Dear Organized Adult Group Camping Clubs,

The Suffolk County Department of Parks is pleased to announce that applications for the Annual Group Camping Club Lottery may be submitted starting January 1, 2024, through January 31, 2024. The Lottery assignments will take place during the first week of February 2024 and winners will be notified via email. Groups may submit one application during the lottery. Additional applications will be accepted starting March 1, 2024.

### GUIDELINES FOR 2024 LOTTERY

- Each Group Camping Club is allowed one (1) lottery entry with a first and second choice of location/date.
- Applications may be submitted using the online form and must include an up-to-date roster of participating families, even if one had been submitted in past years.
- All Group Lottery Application Requests must be for a minimum of 3 nights; a minimum of 4 nights required for any holiday weekend requests.
- All seven (7) family units (ten (10) on holiday dates) must be present during the **entire reservation** to receive the return of your deposit. Early check-ins are not allowed; your reservation is for the dates stated on the application.
- Period of Stay rules apply to Group Camping. Individuals are not permitted to stay more than 7 nights in a campground (14-night stays are allowed at Cedar Point, Blydenburgh, and Sears Bellows), even if they are camping with a different group. These rules apply to individuals, as well as households, members of the same family living at the same address, and the same trailer/RV/camping unit.
- Payment is required within five (5) business days after receiving confirmation of Lottery Win. Unpaid reservations will be cancelled, and groups will be charged the \$70 reservation fee.
- All remaining sites will be available on a first-come-first-serve basis after March 1<sup>st</sup> by submitting the Group Camping Application Form.

Please note the Cathedral Pines Campground is closed and we will decline requests for this campground for any date requested before June 1, 2024. Should work be delayed, we may need to extend the closures at this park which could result in cancelled reservations.

We look forward to a wonderful camping season!

Sincerely,  
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Please visit [www.suffolkcountyny.gov/parks](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/parks) for the Annual Group Camping Club Lottery Permit Instructions & Information, the Annual Group Camping Club Lottery Permit Application, and the Group Camping Roster.

