

# Ankeny Virtual Backpack

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## Camps & Scouts

**Name of Event:** Join Ankeny Girl Scouts!

**Grade Level:** K-12

**Event Type:** Camps & Scouts

**Event Date:** 12/5/2024

**Start Time:** 4:30:00 PM

**Registration Deadline:** 12/5/2024

**Audience:** K-12 girls

**Details:** During this registration event, girls can experience a sample of Girl Scout activities, including STEM, art, life skills, and more! Meanwhile, their grownups can receive help with the registration process.

**Location:** Ankeny Public Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organization Name:** Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa

**Contact Name:** Aly Murphy

**Contact Email:** [amurphy@gsiowa.org](mailto:amurphy@gsiowa.org)

**Event URL:** <https://www.girlscoutsiowa.org/en/get-involved/join.html>

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**Name of Event:** Cub Scouts Pack 188

**Grade Level:** Elementary (K-5)

**Event Type:** Camps & Scouts

**Event Date:** 12/31/2024

**Registration Deadline:** 12/31/2024

**Audience:** All students grades K-5

**Details:** Come Join Cub Scouts Pack 188. We meet at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Ankeny.

Please contact Mark Noll for more information.

email - [nollie1963@gmail.com](mailto:nollie1963@gmail.com)

phone - 515-657-2307

**Location:** Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 517 SW Des Moines St, Ankeny, IA 50023

**Cost:** no cost

**Organization Name:** Cub Scouts

**Contact Name:** Mark Noll

**Contact Email:** [nollie1963@gmail.com](mailto:nollie1963@gmail.com)

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**Name of Event:** First day Hike- Wesley Woods

**Grade Level:** K-12

**Event Type:** Camps & Scouts

**Event Date:** 1/1/2025

**Start Time:** 1:00:00 PM

**Registration Deadline:** 12/25/2024

**Audience:** all ages

**Details:** Bring in the new year with a hike around the beautiful Wesley Woods. Three guided hikes of varying ability will start at 1pm, then warm up with hot chocolate and crafts after in the lodge. Starts at 1pm and concludes at 4pm

**Location:** Wesley Woods Camp + retreat Center 10896 Nixon Street, Indianola, Iowa

**Cost:** Free

**Organization Name:** Wesley Woods Camp + Retreat Center

**Contact Email:** [info@wesleywoodsiaowa.org](mailto:info@wesleywoodsiaowa.org)

**Event URL:** <https://www.facebook.com/share/1HRUhe9LP9/>

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**Name of Event:** Pizza + Sledding- Wesley Woods

**Grade Level:** K-12

**Event Type:** Camps & Scouts

**Event Date:** 2/22/2025

**Start Time:** 1:00:00 PM

**Registration Deadline:** 2/12/2025

**Audience:** families, youth groups, clubs

**Details:** Join us for an afternoon of Pizza and Sledding at the beautiful Wesley Woods Camp + Retreat Center. Bring your sleds (or borrow ours) and friends and enjoy pizza, sledding, crafts and hot chocolate. \$5 per person, max \$25 per family.

**Location:** Wesley Woods Camp + Retreat Center, 10896 Nixon Street, Indianola, Iowa

**Cost:** \$5 per person, max of \$25 per family

**Organization Name:** Wesley Woods Camp + Retreat Center

**Contact Email:** [info@wesleywoodsiaowa.org](mailto:info@wesleywoodsiaowa.org)

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**Name of Event:** Y Camp Summer 2025

**Grade Level:** K-12

**Event Type:** Camps & Scouts

**Event Date:** 6/15/2025

**Audience:** Ages 7-17

**Details:** For 100 years, the Des Moines Y Camp has been filled with songs, laughter, adventures and friendship. Summer Camp is the foundation on which Y Camp is built. Overnight Camp, Day Camp, Family Camp and our amazing Partner Camps all work to bring the impact and value of camp to all who enter the Valley. If you're looking for the ultimate camp experience, Summer Camp is the place to start. Find your next adventure at the Des Moines Y Camp!

**Location:** 1192 166th Drive Boone IA 50036

**Cost:** Varies based on tier selected by participant

**Organization Name:** Des Moines Y Camp

**Contact Name:** Melanie Mellinger

**Contact Email:** [melanie.mellinger@dmymca.org](mailto:melanie.mellinger@dmymca.org)

**Event URL:**

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**Name of Event:** School's Out Safari

**Grade Level:** Elementary (K-5)

**Event Type:** Camps & Scouts

**Event Date:** 1/13/2025

**Start Time:** 9:00:00 AM

**Audience:** Grades 1-3

**Details:** School's Out Safari Camps are one-day camps for students in grades 1-3. These camps are scheduled on certain days when metro area schools are out for holidays or teacher professional development.

**Location:** Blank Park Zoo - 7401 SW 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50315

**Cost:** \$75 per day, Blank Park Zoo members save 20%

**Organization Name:** Blank Park Zoo

**Contact Name:** Education Department

**Contact Email:** [camps@blankparkzoo.net](mailto:camps@blankparkzoo.net)

**Event URL:** <https://www.blankparkzoo.com/education/children--families/safari-camps/schools-out-safari>