

Troop 73 is thrilled to host the

2026 FALL CAMPOREE

Spooky season

Theme

The theme of this event is orienteering! So bust out those compasses and maps, and freshen up on your skills. Be prepared to use compass bearings, maps, GPS, pacing distances, and all other manners of finding your way when lost in the woods

Date/location/time

The event takes place at Camp Hinds on October 16, starting at 5:00 pm.

Fees

Check in and out

Check in is from 5:00 to 7:00 pm, on Friday. To check in, please send your scout master and senior patrol leader to the main dining hall with all medical forms for your troop.

Once this is complete, please proceed to the sports field for each troop member to establish their pace. Please note that **every youth** in your troop is required for this activity.

Check out is on Sunday immediately following the closing ceremony. Please note you need a campsite inspection.

Safety Guidelines and rules

1. Two deep leadership is required for all units.
2. Fires should be "low impact" in nature. Have them only in fire rings and remember to fill fire buckets.
3. Do not cut any LIVE trees or bushes. You have permission to use any dead wood you can find in or near your campsite for fire wood. Otherwise bring your own.
4. Drinking water. All members should bring water bottles, with extra. There will be filling stations
5. All must practice the "Patrol Method" and live up to the Scout Oath and Law. This goes for leaders as well. Remember the Judging staff will be watching at all times.
6. All medical needs will be provided by the Unit Leader of each Troop. Minor cuts and injuries can be handled by your Troop leadership. Major injuries must be reported to the program staff and leaders may seek medical attention at the

7. Class A or B uniforms or theme related costume at all times while on the program trails. You are being judged for your skills and appearance as a Scout.

10. Remember to use the Buddy System.

Program

The program will consist of five stations, all focused around orienteering. The stations are.

Compass game

Geocaching

Search and rescue

Map reading and orienting

Bearing-Bearing Intersect (Locate yourself on a map)

Jamboree On The Air Station

See below for scoring.

Gear list

- **A base plate or orienteering compass**

- **GPS**
- **Small note pad with pen/pencil**
- **Clothing and footwear for cross country walking**

Scoring

At each station, there will be an opportunity to score up to 15 points for your patrol. The rubric for scoring is as follows. (Note, when the rubric says a number of points for each category, the patrol can score up to that many points.)

- **Teamwork: 3 points**

Does everyone in your patrol actively participate in the station? Is everyone's voice heard?

- **Completion: 5 points**

How well does your team complete the station? How fast are you, how close were you to the objective.

- **Scouting Spirit: 3 points**

Did you stick to your scout motto law by being courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, and always prepared?

- **Cleanliness: 2 points**

Did your patrol keep in mind the outdoor code? Were they careful with fire, and did they keep the station area clean?

- **WOW Points: 2 points**

If a station staff notices anything truly exceptional in any of the categories, or in something not listed, they reserve the right to give bonus wow points. These can also be given as rewards for special assignments from the station staff.

Additional scoring opportunities

Throughout the event there will be several additional opportunities to score points.

- **Lunch**

When your troop makes lunch, show it to a station runner.

Depending on the quality of the meal in both nutrition and appeal, up to ten points will be awarded.

- **Staff Hunt**

Saturday afternoon, after all patrols have finished their stations, a staff hunt will take place. Finding your assigned staff member using a compass bearing, will be five points. Five more points to be awarded depending on timeliness.

- **Campsite inspections**

On Sunday morning, when leaving camp, a staff member will be around to inspect your sight. Depending on its cleanliness, up to ten points will be awarded.