RFSR Spring Camporee May 10th-12th, 2024



Leaders' Guide

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2024 Central Illinois Spring Camporee

Friday

5-8:00pm Check-in at Registration Building, Campsite Set-up

8:30pm SPL meeting & Troop Movie Night (Activities Building). Leaders must accompany their Scouts

- Units must have an SPL at this meeting to participate in the Egg Drop Challenge on Saturday 8:45pm Leader Meeting (Admin Building)
 - All units are encouraged to have at least 1 leader in attendance

11pm Quiet Time

Saturday

8:45am Morning Flags (Parade Field)

9am-12pm

- CPR Class (pre-registration is required, cost is \$25)
- Patrol Challenges
- Central Illinois STEM Van
- Crate Stacking

Staff will determine the winners for each event & winning Patrols will be announced at Firebowl.

12-2pm Lunch Break

2:00pm Egg Drop Challenge @ Lakefront (rules & supplies will be distributed at the SPL meeting on Friday)

3-5pm Conservation Service Projects - a great way for units to help get RFSR ready for summer programming & work towards rank advancement. Please see staff for information. Several projects are available!

5pm Dinner Break

6:30pm Dessert Competition @ Monney Pavillion

- Units are encouraged to bring dutch oven and campfire desserts (including creative s'mores!) to share!
- Those wishing to enter the competition should register at the Leaders' Meeting on Friday

7:00pm Flag Lowering (Parade Field)

Campfire Program at Firebowl following evening flags

- Units are encouraged to prepare a skit or song for Firebowl. (Bonus points for a STEM Theme)
- All skits/songs must be approved. Sign up with Camporee Staff by 2pm on Saturday.

11pm Quiet Time

Sunday

8:30am Scouts' Own Religious Service @ RFSR Chapel

- We ask that Scouts assist with this brief interfaith service. There will be a signup at the Leaders' Meeting.
- We will celebrate Mother's Day during chapel & units are encouraged to consider inviting mothers, or other special adults, to join them for breakfast at their campsite before the service.
- Please let Camporee Staff know if you plan to have guests on Sunday morning.

9:00am Camp teardown & Departure. Please check out with Camporee Staff.

General Camp Rules: Rules are made for the safety of participants, protection of the facility, and to provide fairness to all. Unit leaders are asked to help ensure that safety is maintained at all times.

- All camporee participants and staff must adhere to The Guide to Safe Scouting.
- No firearms, bows & arrows, or ammunition may be kept in the possession of any Scout or Scouter.
- No fireworks of any kind are permitted on camp property.
- The cutting of live trees is NOT permitted.
- Closed toe shoes must be worn in camp at all times.
- Pets are not allowed at camp. Please, for the safety of other campers and the pet, leave them at home.
- No alcoholic beverages or drugs are permitted on camp property. The use of alcohol and controlled substances are strictly prohibited and is grounds for expulsion from the camporee & the Boy Scouts of America.
- Tobacco use is not permitted in or around campsites or event venues during the camporee. No smoking (including E-Cig) will occur in the presence of youth. Any smoking will be in accordance with all applicable BSA rules and regulations and in the designated area only (behind the Commissary).
- No riding in the back of pick-up trucks.
- The buddy system should be in place at all times.

Fees for the 2024 Central Illinois Spring Camporee are: Youth \$15 (\$18 if paid after 4/26/24) Adults \$8

Arrival: Troops may arrive at Rhodes France starting at 5:00pm on Friday, May 10th. All vehicles should remain parked in the front parking lot. Troop Trailers may be pulled back to the campsites, but for safety reasons, we ask that no additional vehicles are driven through camp.

Check-In: Unit leaders should check in at the Registration Building upon arrival. There you will confirm your unit's registration status and receive the latest camporee updates. Campsite assignments will be determined prior to the event. Be sure you request your preference for campsites when registering online.

Activities: Units may move from program to program as capacity allows. Scouts must stay with buddies at all times. Adult Leaders must provide adequate supervision to ensure safety for all youth in their unit.

Toilet & Shower Facilities: The Shower House at Rhodes France will be available during Camporee!

Meals: Units are responsible for their own meals during the camporee.

First Aid: Routine, non-emergency first aid is the unit's responsibility. Major injuries must be reported immediately to the Camporee Health Officer. The Health Office is located in the Administration Building.

Medical Forms: It is each unit's responsibility to ensure every participant has a current Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A & B). The camporee staff will verify that these forms are in the possession of the unit leader. Individuals without medical forms will not be allowed to remain at the camporee. All medications, including over the counter and prescription medications, that are brought to camp are the responsibility of the unit leader and must be kept locked in the campsite or a vehicle. Before traveling to the camporee, each youth and adult participant should self-screen to ensure that they are not currently unwell.

Check-Out: Units may depart at 9:00am on Sunday. Staff will inspect your campsite before you leave. Prior to inspection, please complete the following:

- Ensure the campsite is litter-free
- Restore the campsite to its original (or better) condition
- Pack all gear and be ready to depart