

Central Illinois
Scouts BSA
2026 Fall Camporee
Leader's Guide

September 18-20, 2026
Rhodes France Scout Reservation

Arrow of Light & Scout BSA Scouts

IMPORTANT NOTES

Fall Camporee 2026 is being hosted by Redhawk District. This year's theme is designed to help scouts enjoy recreational activities that Rhodes France has to offer. This year's camporee will also feature a camp wide service project. This project helps give back to the camp and counts toward service hours.

Please note that on Friday night, meals are on your own. Please plan to bring food to prepare or eat before you come. All other meals are provided.

Arrow of Light Scouts may attend; however, the following requirements must be met:

- Attend as a patrol, under the supervision of two deep leadership from their pack, or their sister troop

Check in:

Units will check in at the Registration Building in the parking lot.

All participants must be registered for the event to attend the camporee. Arrangements for visitors must be made with Camporee Staff prior to visit.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you need to check in outside the listed times on Friday or Saturday, please text Catelyn at 217-822-9345 with your name, unit, and expected arrival time.

Check Out:

All units are asked to follow the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace prior to vacating their campsite on Sunday. This includes making sure campsites are cleaner than when units found them. All trash should be bagged and left at the campsite entrance prior to leaving.

Unit leaders must stop at the administration building to pick up their exit packets.

Emergency Procedures:

Emergency procedures are posted at all campsites.

First Aid:

This event has a medical officer on standby to assist with first aid.

Forms:

The following forms must be present at the time of check-in:

- Health Forms A & B
- Outdoor Programs Parental Release (Signed by Parent/Guardian)

General Rules:

Unit leaders are asked to help ensure that safety is maintained at all times. Rules are in place to protect everyone and the facility.

- 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 pets, leave them at home.
- No alcoholic beverages or drugs are permitted on camp property.
- Tobacco use is not permitted in or around campsites or event venues during the camporee. Adults may only smoke in the designated smoking area behind the Commissary Building.
- The buddy system will be utilized at all times.

Knives, Axes, and Saws:

Scouts BSA Totin' Chip policies should be observed at all times.

Medications:

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.

Scout Oath and Law:

The Scout Oath and Law are expected to be practiced by all in attendance.

Shower Facility & Toilets:

The shower house is located south of the Administration building. This building features changing rooms, shower stalls, and restroom facilities.

Latrines are available at campsites.

Water:

Each unit will have access to water at their campsites, in addition to at water stations throughout the day during the event.

Wristbands:

Each Scout will receive a wristband at check-in that must be worn at all times to participate in Camporee events.

Anyone arriving or leaving at a time outside of regular check-in hours (including brief visitors) must check in at the Administration Building. This ensures we know who is on the property for the safety of all Scouts and in case of emergencies.

Youth Protection Requirements:

All adults must be current with their Safeguarding Youth training to attend the camporee.

At least two registered adult leaders must be present on camp property during the event at all times.

The buddy system will be utilized to ensure scout safety at all times.

Questions?

Please contact Catelyn Sedgwick, Redhawk District Camporee Chair

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217-822-9345 (Please leave a voicemail) use of messaging is appreciated.

2026 Fall Camporee Schedule

Time	Activity	Location
Friday		
5:00pm-8:30pm	Registration/Check-In	
8:30pm-9:00pm	Scoutmaster/SPL Meeting/Cracker Barrel	
8:30pm-9:30pm	Staff Hunt	
9:00pm-9:30pm	Camporee Staff Meeting	
Saturday		
8:00am	Flag Ceremony	
8:10am	Breakfast	
9:30am-11:30am	Campwide Service Project *Units will receive details at check-in	
11:50am		
12:00pm	Lunch	
	Afternoon Sessions	
6:00pm	Flag Ceremony	
6:10pm	Dinner	
6:45pm	Evening Program	
10:00pm	Quiet Hours Begin (10:00pm-6:00am)	
Sunday		
	Breakfast	
	Breakdown Camp/Check Out	
	Camp Closed	

