

## **2026 Council Camporall Tidewater's American Adventure**

**How to get the most out of the Council Camporall Program.** There are at least 30 individual activities than a Scout can complete or participate in during the day on Saturday, so take a look at the Leader Guide and start thinking about which activities would be a priority. Most activities will occur continuously during the day, except for a couple of the field games which happen at a particular time. Other events like the George Washington interpreter and the Navy flyover will be announced during the day. Below is a summary of some of the features that your unit should be aware of and, if desired, participate in to get the full Camporall experience:

- **Begin forming patrols of about 6 Scouts for the competition events**, particularly the STEM Challenges of the Space Race, Scouting Skills on the Oregon Trail, the Field Sports and Olympics, and the Wide Game. Patrols that will compete will be required to sign in at Friday night check in, giving their unique Camporall patrol name and stay together for all competitions on Saturday. See the Leader Guide for "hints" on what skills will be needed.
- **Begin gathering items for the Good Turn Project for the USO** in support of our military members and their families. Assemble as many personal care items as can fit into a single gallon-sized zip lock bag. The idea is to have each kit contain the essentials: toothpaste, deodorant, ChapStick, floss, sun screen, etc. See the Leader Guide for more complete information. Donations will be collected at Friday night check in.
- **Get your best Corn Hole team members ready to compete** at the Adult Amusements shelter next to the Trading Post. Sign up during Friday night at check in.
- **Get those famous unit recipes and ingredients ready** for adult leaders wishing to compete in the Iron Chef cooking contest. Sign up during Friday night at check in.
- **Expect longer lines at the Branding Experience, Shooting Sports and Climbing Tower**, but the lines should move quickly. The leader in charge will be able to give the Scouts an idea of what the wait will be.
- **Scouts eligible and desiring to compete in the "Cowboy Action"** shooting program must have their parent permission form, as well as the unit attest to Scouts meeting the qualifications, both signed and ready to be delivered to the Shooting Sports staff at Friday check in.
- **Have your pressing questions ready for the Council Key 3 Q&A session** (John Scheib President, James Parnell Scout Executive and Kate Sklat Council Commissioner) at the Adult Amusements pavilion at 1:30 PM Saturday. Ask and learn more about how the council works and why we do what we do - sometimes a mystery to the regular hard working leader.
- **Everybody should bring a folding chair for the Saturday Show.** We'll probably expand out into the lawn after the stonework seats in the amphitheater are full.
- **Scan the Camporall Announcements app QR code.** A QR Code will be posted at Friday Check In for you and Scouts to scan. Changes in schedule, activity updates, special events during the day, etc. on Saturday will be periodically announced in the app.
- **Send a unit representative to the Friday night leader/SPL meeting** in the Dining Hall to get the latest updates and information for the weekend.