

Scouting America  
Inland Northwest Council  
2026 Spring Camporee Leader Guide



April 17-19, 2026 @ Camp Grizzly  
<https://www.scoutingevent.com/611-SpringCamporee>

## 2026 SPRING CAMPOREE

# Introduction to the Camporee

At this camporee Scouts will be presented with clues to gather and a mystery to solve in the Case of the Golden Grizzly. Patrols will apply their scouting skills to assist Grizzlock Holmes to solve the case and return the missing Golden Grizzly to its rightful owners.

## Patrol, Scout, and Adult Activities

Patrols will complete multiple events throughout the day to earn clues to help Grizzlock Holmes solve the Case of the Golden Grizzly. Who did it? Where was the Golden Grizzly taken from? And what Scout Essential did they use in the heist?

### Activity Stations for Patrols

Archery

Code Station

Fingerprinting

Fire Building

First Aid

Orienteering

Pioneering

Rifle shooting

Slingshot

Telegraph

Tomahawks

Wooden Puzzle

### Dutch Oven Cookoff

There will be a Dutch oven cooking competition with categories for desserts, mains, sides, and breads. Scouts (17 and under) and adults (18+) will compete separately. Submit

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entries to show off your culinary skills and prove that there's more to camp food than instant ramen.

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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## ATTENTION: SCOUTMASTER & SR. PATROL LEADER

This manual explains troop and patrol participation, the registration procedure, the schedule of activities, and patrol events.

Check-In on Friday night will be located at the [parking lot/dining hall].

Our Camporee Headquarters will be in the Lodge below the Dining Hall Friday through Sunday.

Troop Records – An official my.scouting roster of those Scouts and Leaders in attendance at the Camporee should be turned into the Camporee at check-in. All adults and youth staying overnight must be registered with Scouting America.

Med Forms – Part A and B required for all scouts and leaders.

Patrol Honors – Score sheets and the scoring system will be discussed during the Friday evening Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader meeting. Any questions should be brought up in front of the whole group, so we all have an accurate understanding of the process.

## BEFORE THE CAMPOREE:

Prior to the Camporee, your troop can prepare for the camporee at meetings and on camping trips. Your unit should practice the Patrol Method and prepare for the events described in this manual.

## PREPARATION FOR THE WEEKEND:

Your Troop and Patrols will derive the greatest benefit from the Camporee by preparing for endless fun. The requirements for each event are described in this manual. At your next Patrol Leaders Council meeting, review the manual with your Leadership. Each Patrol Leader should have a copy.

Your Leadership Corps should conduct demonstrations and provide instruction at troop meetings. The Patrols should practice the skills they have learned in the meetings.

## Arrival and Check-in:

You will need to bring the following documents for check-in:

- Medical forms (A&B)
- Your Camporee roster (adults and youth)

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Troops and Crews can begin to arrive at 5 pm Friday April 17. Make sure to bring your roster of Scouts and Leaders and Med Forms (A&B) with you. Staff will then tell you which campsite your unit is assigned to. If road conditions permit, a single vehicle with a trailer may drive to their campsites to unload but will need to move to park in designated parking areas. However, also be prepared to carry all of your gear as spring weather may render some camp roads unfit for vehicle travel. The decision to allow vehicles onto camp roads will be made at the sole discretion of the Camp Grizzly Ranger. No vehicles will be parked by campsites after setup.

Saturday check-in begins at 7:00 a.m. Please check-in at the First floor of the Lodge. You must check-in by 8:00 a.m. If you do not complete check-in with enough time to reach the parade grounds for the opening flag ceremony and safety briefing, you will not be permitted to participate in every activity (the safety briefing is mandatory for shooting sports).

Visitors and families can register as guests on the registration site or Saturday at the Lodge. They may not stay overnight.

Non-Scout children (through 11 years of age) are free to attend at no cost. Lunch will not be provided. Concessions and memorabilia will be available for purchase at the trading post.

### PATROLS:

Scouting works best when the Troop's members are divided into Patrols. The optimum number of Scouts in a Patrol is 6-10. We realize there are a few patrols smaller and possibly larger than that. Each troop's Patrol structure should be formed before the Camporee and each Patrol should practice for the events as a unit. Some activities are designed for Patrols and the most successful Patrols will be the ones who have practiced together. Try to avoid mixing scouts from different Patrols at the Camporee, as that reduces the time to develop the teamwork used in the Patrol Method. Patrols are encouraged to show their patrol spirit by carrying their patrol flag to events and sharing their patrol yells.

### UNIFORMS:

Scout uniforms will not be required during the camporee events, but part of Scout Spirit is the uniform, and scouts are encouraged to wear scouting-related shirts during the day. Uniforms are suggested at camp-wide assemblies (such as the flag ceremonies and the Campfire). Please wear your full uniform for these gatherings.

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### PARKING AND TRAFFIC:

Please park in the lot marked on the Camp Grizzly map. (Vehicles that park against the edge of the lot should back in only).

### WHAT TO BRING:

Units are asked to “Be Prepared” for Spring Camping. Temperatures in mid-April may vary during the time of day and can be significantly different than at night. All forms of precipitation are possible. Units will be responsible for providing and cooking their own meals. Carts may be used to assist scouts in transporting equipment from the parking area to the Camporee camping area and Parade Field. Saturday lunch should be either in sack form and carried by the patrol members, or a quick no-cook meal in the campsite.

Scouts should be sure to have their 10 essentials with them. Scouts will also be challenged at stations that will utilize items from the 10 essentials.

### Dutch Oven Cook-Off:

Categories: Desserts, Mains, Sides, and Breads

#### Preparation Guidelines:

All participants are responsible for bringing every ingredient required for their dishes.

#### Equipment Notice:

The camp does not provide Dutch ovens. Please ensure you bring your own Dutch oven for the competition.

#### Designated Cooking Areas

Dutch oven cooking is permitted only in fire pans, on fire tables, or within the campfire ring. Please use these designated locations for all competition cooking.

**Charcoal will not be provided**

#### Entry Submission

All entries must be delivered to the Es-Kaielgu Shelter by 7:00 p.m. Saturday.

#### Competition Rules

Submission:

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- There will be separate competition sections for adults considered 18+ and scouts 17 and under.
- All dishes must be delivered in the Dutch oven in which they were cooked.
- Each entry must include a clearly visible sign (maximum size: 8.5" x 11") displaying the name of the dish. List any ingredients that may trigger common allergies (e.g., peanuts, shellfish, dairy).

### Cooking Guidelines:

- All dishes must be prepared exclusively using Dutch ovens.
- A majority of the food must be cooked on-site.
- The use of electrical outlets or electric kitchen appliances is NOT permitted.
- Participants must provide their own method of keeping perishable ingredients properly chilled.

### Site Conduct:

- Only those actively involved in food preparation may be in the cooking area.
- All participants are expected to practice good sportsmanship and conduct themselves in a respectful manner.

### Food Safety & Sanitation:

- Proper hygiene and food safety practices must be observed at all times.
- Hands, surfaces, and utensils should be kept clean throughout food preparation.
- Use disposable utensils for tasting and adjusting seasonings.
- Participants must clean their cooking area upon completion.

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# Schedule of Events

## Friday, April 17

5:00-8:00 PM - Troops begin to arrive at Camporee. Check-in site is at the Parking Lot. Campsite assignments will be given out at the check-in. Please pre-arrange late check-in. Late check-in will be at the Lodge.

9:00 PM – SPL/Scoutmaster meeting and cracker barrel. Please send your SPL and at least one adult leader to the Lodge to receive important Camporee information.

10:00 PM - Campsites quiet. All lights out.

## Saturday, April 18

6:00 AM – Wake up and Breakfast. Prepare sack lunches.

7:00 – Registration opens at the Lodge

8:15 - Morning flag ceremony at the Parade Field

8:30 – Safety Briefing (mandatory for all shooting sports participants)

9:00 – Program begins

9:00 – 12:00 – Stations

12:00 – 1:00 – Lunch break by patrol on the trail

1:00 – 5:00 – Program options re-open

5:00-6:00 – Patrols submit their mystery solution at the Lodge. Campfire skit signups here.

6:00 – Flags at Parade Field

6:15 – 7:30 – Free time. Dinner in campsites.

7:00 – Dutch Oven Competition Judging

7:45 – Rally for Campfire

8:00 – 9:00 PM – Closing Campfire and Awards

10:00 PM - Campsites quiet, all lights out.

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### Sunday, April 19

7:00 AM - Teardown of campsites begins.

8:00 AM - HQ open for troop check out. "Scout's Own" faith event will be at the Chapel.

11:00 AM – All units depart camp

## Camporee Policies

To have a successful Camporee, rules concerning the following topics must be followed. It is the responsibility of each troop's Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters to ensure that rules are followed. It is the responsibility of each scout to monitor their troop's behavior in and out of camp. Adult leaders and SPLs are encouraged to review the "Guide to Safe Scouting" guidelines.

Adhering to these policies set the correct example to the Scouts and gives the Scouting program a wholesome effect for its scout members.

**Fire Fuel** – Fires should be built in designated campfire locations only. DO NOT CUT DOWN TREES, LIVE OR DEAD. You may wish to bring your own firewood. Be sure to check with staff if fires are appropriate for the conditions in camp.

**Use of Water** – Water availability should be at or near each campsite. Water fill locations are also available at several locations around Camp Grizzly.

**Camping Code** – The Scout Oath and Law shall be the law of the camp. Scouts should also practice "Leave No Trace Camping" whenever possible and follow the Outdoor Code.

**Lanterns** – No type of open flame is allowed in any tent (candles, kerosene lamps, etc.)

**Fireworks** – Absolutely no fireworks are permitted at the camporee.

**Alcohol/Drugs** – Drugs and alcohol are not permitted on the premises at any time. The presence of illegal drugs or alcohol may necessitate a call to local law enforcement. Standard rules from the Guide to Safe Scouting apply with respect to prescription medications.

**Smoking** – Smoking is discouraged on scout events. This is a non-smoking camp.

**Pets** – Pets are not permitted at camporee. Licensed service animals are always welcome.

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### Introduction to Leave No Trace

**Leave No Trace** is a comprehensive approach to living and behaving outdoors, which encompasses not just camping, but also hiking, backpacking, and even just going to the park for a walk. This will be incredibly important to practice as we do not want to pick up habits that may interfere with the Grizzly ecosystem. The 2026 Camporee will follow the seven principles of the Leave No Trace code.

These principles are:

- Plan Ahead and Be Prepared
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Leave What You Find
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Respect Wildlife
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors (Scouts, Scouters, and guests)

Apply these principles as you enjoy your weekend at Camp Grizzly, and pack out what you bring in, stay on trails and roads, use the established fire pits, and respect others around you. Further information on Leave No Trace can be found in the Scout Handbook, at the BSA web site ([www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org)), and at the Leave No Trace website ([www.lnt.org](http://www.lnt.org))

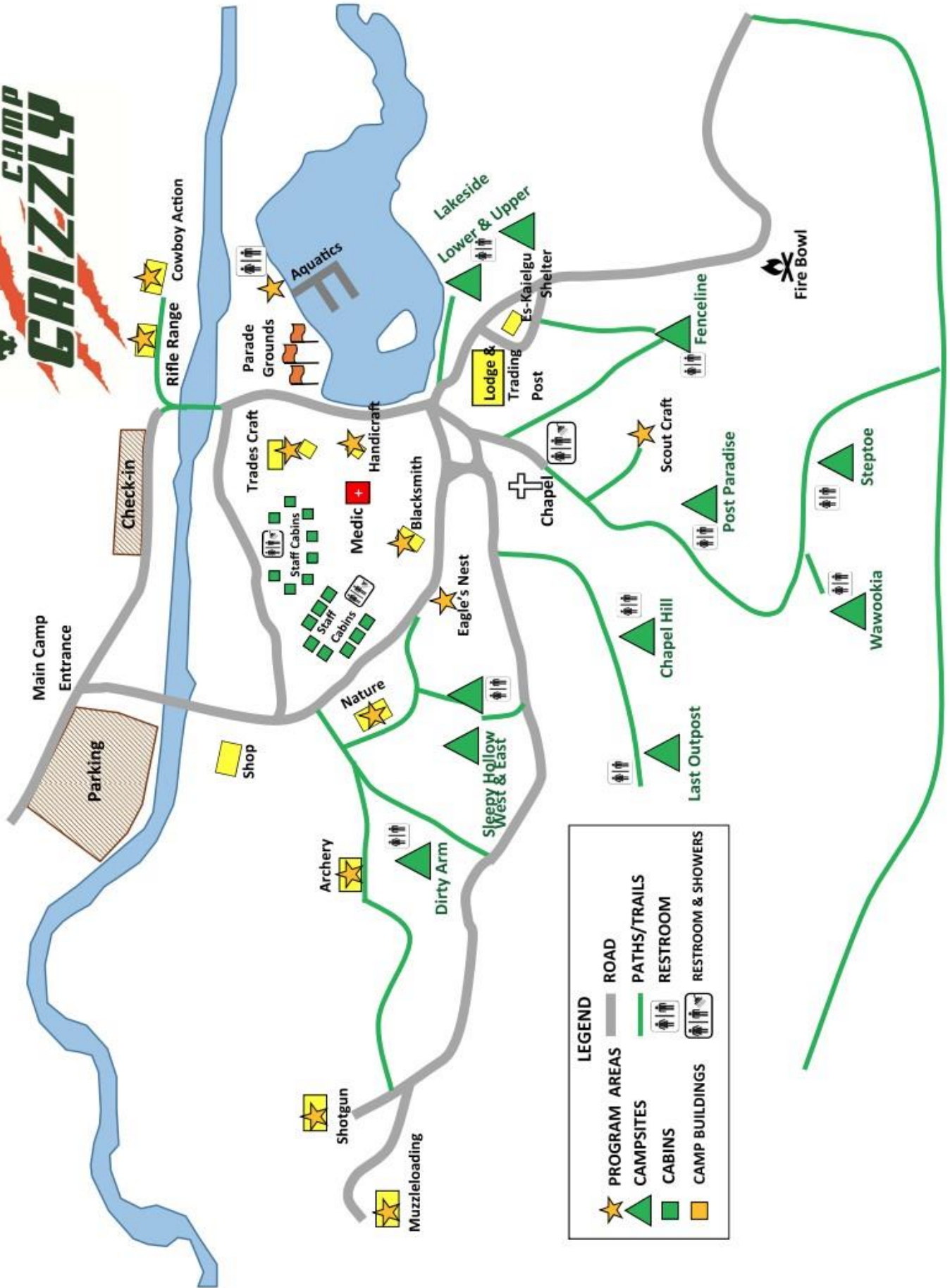
### The Outdoor Code

As an American I will do my best to:

- Be clean in my outdoor manners
- Be careful with fire
- Be considerate in the outdoors and
- Be conservation-minded.

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**LEGEND**

	PROGRAM AREAS		ROAD
	CAMPSITES		PATHS/TRAILS
	CABINS		RESTROOM
	CAMP BUILDINGS		RESTROOM & SHOWERS