



# 2025 Fall Camporee Guide

## Information for Troops and Participants

### Mission and Philosophy

The purpose of this Camporee is to have fun, provide additional camping opportunities to Troops, and expand merit badge instruction to our youth. Merit badge counselors are solely responsible for determining if the requirements for the merit badge are met by the scout. The organizers of this outing are not responsible for guaranteeing an individual scout will fulfill all the requirements in one session.

Some prerequisites are needed for some of the Merit Badges, and some badges have additional fees charged to cover extraordinary costs. Please contact your individual counselor if you have any concerns. Some scouts may end up with partial completions, just showing up does not guarantee completion of a merit badge.

Active participation is required. Since this is a Troop Program, no individual registrations will be accepted, and standard BSA Youth Protection procedures will be in effect. Troops will be expected to assist in meeting 2 deep leadership guidelines during merit badge instruction periods.

## Registration, Fees, and Refunds

1. The cost of the Fall Camporee has been set at \$30.00 per person prior to Wednesday, 9/10/2025. The price increases to \$45.00 per person on Wednesday, 9/10/2025. The deadline to register is Friday, 9/19/2025.
2. Registration is by Troop – No Individual Registrations will be accepted.
3. All Registration will be completed electronically via the council website in the order they are received with campsite preference noted. **All Fees are non-refundable**, but are transferable to another Scout, if you have a Scout unable to attend.
4. Additional fees for individual Merit Badges or activities will be due at check-in.
5. Registration fees do not include purchasing fees for completed cloth merit badges or meals for the weekend.
  - a. **Packs and Troops are on their own for meal preparation and food purchases.**
6. Registration fees do include a Fall Camporee cloth patch and individual Merit Badge instruction where an additional cost is not indicated.

## Leadership and Coverage (per BSA YPT Standards)

1. It is the responsibility of “each unit” to provide a minimum of two TROOP registered adult leaders who are 21 years of age or older while at camp.
2. Two Deep Leadership is required by all Troops and BSA Youth Protection procedures should be always followed (no adult “one on one contact” with youth).
3. In the event you have scouts who do not want to participate in the activities:
  - a. Troops must provide two-deep leadership for these scouts at your campsite.
4. Units cannot combine leaders from other units (\*) to meet Two Deep Leadership and BSA Youth Protection Standards.
  - a. (\*) The BSA recognizes male (b) and female (g) troops as two separate units.
  - b. Two leaders are required from each unit. They MUST be registered in that specific unit.
    - i. Each troop is considered separate – and leadership cannot be combined.
    - ii. Leaders must be registered/approved leaders for the specific troop they are providing leadership too.
      1. The chartered organization representative (COR) must approve the registration of the troop’s adult leaders.
      2. Registration as a merit badge counselor position does not meet this requirement as they are approved at the council level and not COR approved.
    - iii. <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/gss01/>

## Linked Units

The BSA defines “Linked units (\*)” as separate male (b) and female (g) units — one for male/boys and one for female/girls — that share a chartered organization and may share some or all the unit committee. The approach preserves the single-gender unit model.

For female Scouts BSA units:

- There must be a TROOP registered female adult leader 21 years of age or older in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth.
- Notwithstanding the minimum leader requirements, age- and program-appropriate supervision must always be provided while at camp.

Details about Youth Protection can be found here: <https://v.ht/BSA-YPT>

## Medical Forms

1. **BSA Annual Health and Medical Record Form A&B** are required for all Participants and Adults. Please be sure all assisting parents are included in addition to any registered adult leaders staying overnight.
2. Troops are required to bring copies of "BSA AB Health Forms" for EACH person attending (youth/adult). Forms will be collected and reviewed by the Medical Officer. ***Per state policy, the council will retain the copies for seven years and then they will be securely destroyed.***

## On Arrival / Check-in

1. Staff will be on site Friday night by 6:00 pm for check-in (Health Officer is on site).
2. All participants should arrive at Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta between 6:00 PM-8:00 PM Friday.
  - a. **NO SATURDAY CHECK-INS ALLOWED unless registered with a Cub Scout Pack.**
3. Check-in will occur one troop at a time to check-in and turn in BSA Medical form A&B and unit roster for the weekend.
  - a. See above for the **BSA Annual Health and Medical Record Form A&B** template.
  - b. The template for the **Unit Roster** may be downloaded from the Three Harbors website.
4. Troops will be assigned to campsites based on their registration numbers and may need to share a site with another troop.
  - a. **PLEASE PLACE TENTS CLOSE TOGETHER.**
5. Only vehicles with trailers are allowed to go beyond the parking lot.
  - a. Please obey camp rules and do not drive into the campsites without permission. The speed limit in camp is 10 mph or less.
  - b. Troops with trailers should be prepared to unhook their tow vehicles and park them in the lot if weather or volume of traffic dictates.
  - c. Individual vehicles or vehicles without a trailer are NOT permitted beyond the parking lot for the safety of all participants during the weekend.
6. No vehicles are permitted to be parked in campsites for the safety of all participants during the weekend.
  - a. No driving in camp ALL day Saturday - except by approved event staff.
7. All Troops are asked to perform a service activity for common facilities – cleaning bathrooms, shower houses, or dining hall facilities, a sign-up sheet will be passed around during orientation. Please volunteer.
8. Buildings will not be available for rent:
  - a. Staff will be utilizing Staplecamp and Carl Johnson cabins.
9. Each Troop is required to supply one ADULT LEADER & SPL to attend the welcome/orientation meeting on Friday night at 8:30 PM in the Dining Hall.
  - a. Due to the limited staff and to ensure the program staff have enough time to present/oversee activities in the time allotted, we are unable to check-in Scouts on Saturday morning.

## Checkout

1. Troops are free to check out Sunday Morning between 9:00 - 10:30 AM.
  - a. If you are up early, please respect your neighbors and keep the noise at a reasonable level until 7:00 AM.
2. Please employ the Leave No Trace principles when exiting on Sunday. Picnic tables are wiped off and free of debris, firewood stacked, firepit cleaned out, latrines swept, and the area is free of trash.
3. Please take your garbage with you or drop it in the dumpster by the dining hall.
  - a. Please do not leave any garbage at your campsite.
4. Please obey camp rules and do not drive multiple cars and trucks onto the campsites without a parking pass. The speed limit in camp is 10 mph or less.

5. All Troops are asked to perform a service activity as they leave to tidy up common facilities – cleaning bathrooms, shower houses, or dining hall facilities, a sign-up sheet will be passed around during orientation. Please volunteer.
6. Questions about individual merit badge requirements or missing merit badge cards must be clarified with the counselor; have your scouts contact them directly. Professional staff and outing coordinators will not have any answers regarding specific badges.
7. Camporee patches will be provided for all registered attendees.

## 2025 Fall Camporee Leadership

| Volunteer               | Role                           | Email  | Cell         |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--------------|
| Rob Dahlen              | Fall Camporee Chair            | <a href="mailto:dahlenro@gmail.com">dahlenro@gmail.com</a>                           | 414-659-3323 |
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| Kai Cope                | Program – Cub Scout Adventures | <a href="mailto:kaicope.scouting@gmail.com">kaicope.scouting@gmail.com</a>           | 262-515-0362 |
| Jon Gagner              | Program - Climbing             | <a href="mailto:Jonathan.Gagner@scouting.org">Jonathan.Gagner@scouting.org</a>       |              |
| Jason Reinholz          | Program - Shooting Sports      | <a href="mailto:rein5553@yahoo.com">rein5553@yahoo.com</a>                           |              |
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## Itinerary

### Friday, 9/26/2025

6:00 – 8:00 PM: Unit check-in at Staplecamp Pavilion and site set-up.

8:30 – 9:00 PM: Leader Meeting (Scoutmaster and SPL) in Dining Hall.

9:00 – 10:00 PM: Campfire Program at Dining Hall Fire Bowl. MC will be Tyler Gerds.

- Each unit will perform a song or skit. Please let MC know your unit’s selection by the leader meeting on Friday.

11:00 PM: Quiet Time/Lights Out. All scouts in their campsites.

### Saturday, 9/27/2025

8:00 – 8:25 AM: Cub Scout unit check-in at Staplecamp Pavilion.

8:30 AM: Flag Ceremony at Ridge Field. (XXXX, Red Arrow)

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM:

- **Cub Scouts:**
  - Earth Rocks Adventure: Geode Exploration at Welcome Pavilion (Jennifer Algbitters)
    - Open to All Cub Scouts but fulfills requirements 1 – 3 for the Webelos Adventure.
  - Champions for Nature Adventure: Round Robin Activities at the Fire Bowl (Mike Hautzinger)

- All requirements will be covered for each den level EXCEPT participating in a conservation project.
  - Open BB Guns at Shooting Sports Range (Jason Reinholz)
  - Open Climbing Wall at Staplecamp Field (Jon Gagner)
  - Open Fishing in Dyer Lake (N/A – Scouts on their own)
  - Open Gaga Ball by Fort Dakota (N/A – Scouts on their own)
- **Scouting America:**
  - Merit Badges: See Course Offering (Betsy Bannier)
  - Open Canoeing at Aquatics (N/A – Scouts on their own with lifeguard's present)
    - Must be a Class A Swimmer. You will either need to pass a swim test at Camp Oh Da Ko Ta or bring a signed form from the Aquatics Director at the summer camp your unit attended.
  - Open Climbing Wall at Staplecamp Field (Jon Gagner)
  - Open Fishing in Dyer Lake (N/A – Scouts on their own)
  - Open Gaga Ball by Fort Dakota (N/A – Scouts on their own)
  - Open Tomahawk at Shooting Sports Range (Jason Reinholz)
- **Adults:**
  - 9:00 – 11:00 AM Training: Semper Gumby - Special Needs and Disabilities Training for All Leaders in Carl Johnson Cabin (Kai Cope)
    - 101 - Serving Scouts with Special Needs
    - 110 - Inclusion, the Key to Disabilities Awareness
    - 120 - Special Needs Scouting, ADHD
    - 130 - Special Needs Scouting, Autism
    - 220 - Camping Considerations for Scouts with Disabilities
  - Commission's Coffee Clutch at Dining Hall Patio (Randy Carr)
  - Ask a District Executive at Dining Hall Patio (Liam Barber)

12:15 – 1:00 PM: Lunch (Units are on their own)

*\* It is highly recommended that units do a grab and go lunch option so scouts can participate in the events.*

1:00 - 2:00 PM: Patrol Competition in Staplecamp Field (TBD; OA to assist with judging)

2:00 – 5:00 PM:

- **Cub Scouts:**
  - Race Time Adventure: Recycled Rain Gutter Regatta at Welcome Pavilion (Kai Cope)
  - Open Archery at Shooting Sports Range (Jason Reinholz)
  - Open Climbing Wall at Staplecamp Field (Jon Gagner)
  - Open Fishing in Dyer Lake (N/A – Scouts on their own)
  - Open Gaga Ball by Fort Dakota (N/A – Scouts on their own)
  - Open Sling Shot at Shooting Sports Range (Jason Reinholz)
- **Scouting America:**
  - Merit Badges: See Course Offering (Betsy Bannier)
  - Open Archery at Shooting Sports Range (Jason Reinholz)
  - Open Climbing Wall at Staplecamp Field (Jon Gagner)
  - Open Fishing in Dyer Lake (N/A – Scouts on their own)
  - Open Gaga Ball by Fort Dakota (N/A – Scouts on their own)
  - Open Rifle at Shooting Sports Range (Jason Reinholz)

5:15 PM: Flag Ceremony at Ridge Field. (XXXX, Aurora)

5:15 – 7:00 PM: Dinner (Troop's on their own).

7:00 – 9:00 PM:

- **Dining Hall – Booths or Displays**
  - 2026 ELEVATE National Jamboree (Steven Wells)
  - Eagle's Nest: Eagle Scouts provide advice and guidance to Star and Life Scouts. (Troop 531 Eagle Scouts: Ivan Bannier, Philip Dornuf, Adam Rode, and Ryan Schadler)
  - National Youth Leadership Training (Tyler Gerds)
  - Order of the Arrow Demonstration / Display in field outside Dining Hall (Kadyn Barsch)
  - Wood Badge (Joe Hackett)
- **TBD Activities**

9:00 – 10:00 PM: Campfire Program at Dining Hall Fire Bowl. MC will be Tyler Gerds.

- Scouts from the Communications Merit Badge will perform a song or skit. Ryan Spellecy will provide a program for Tyler Gerds.

11:00 PM: Quiet Time/Lights Out. All scouts in their campsites.

## Sunday, 9/28/2025

8:30 – 8:45 AM: Non-denominational worship service at Friendship Pavilion. (Tyler Gerds)

8:45 – 9:00 AM: Closing flag ceremony and final announcements at Ridge Field. (Troop 531, Southern Shores)

9:00 – 10:30 AM: Remaining campsite clean-up and check-out.

## Merit Badge Offering

### Registration Required

1. You must sign up in advance for merit badge courses. The link to register for a merit badge session is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F49A9A82DA6FA7-58192377-fall>.
2. A scout may only sign up for one merit badge course. If space is available within seven days of the event, we will open and announce registration for a scout to sign up for more than one session.
3. **Merit badges with an additional fee will be due upon check-in for the event. Please have cash and exact change to cover the fee.**
4. Due to the structure of this one-day event, we are unable to change the merit badge selection after a reservation is made.

### Attendance / No Walk-Ins

1. Only the Scouts listed on the roster will be allowed to participate in the session – walk-ins will be turned away.
2. Merit Badge Counselors set the number of Scouts for each merit badge offered. To ensure continued support of the Merit Badge Counselor, Scouts are required to only attend the merit badges they are registered for.

### Prerequisites/Partial Merit Badges

1. The scout must attend the full session, and complete prerequisites in advance of the class.
2. The scout must present a physical BLUE CARD at the event for sign-off, preferably pre-filled with the scout's information.
3. It is highly recommended that each scout purchases or borrows a copy, reads, and learn the Merit Badge Book for each merit badge.



4. A complete set of Merit Badge Requirements and Pamphlets are available by pressing the following [link](#).
5. Merit badge worksheets are not required but are useful to allow a scout to organize his thoughts and serve as an outline when he needs to explain, describe, or otherwise fulfill a prerequisite. Completion is highly recommended to learn all the requirements. Various sources are available online- be sure you have the most up to date version with current requirements.
6. People with partial badges may sign up for an entire session and complete your badges where possible. However, there is no time to just drop in and complete a badge as a bonus.
7. All Day requires attendance at both the AM and PM merit badge session times to fulfill the requirements of the merit badge.

## Courses / Times / Locations

| Time                           | Location                    | Merit Badge               | Counselor                   | Class Size | Prerequisites          | Notes  |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|------------------------|--|
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM             | OSA Pavilion in Ridge Field | American Business         | Johanna Susmilch            | 10         | Req. 5, 6a, 6b         |  |
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM             | Trading Post                | American Labor            | Jim Nelsen                  | 10         | Req 1, 2               |  |
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM             | Dining Hall - A             | Communications            | Ryan Spellecy               | 10         | Req. 4, 5, 7, 9        |  |
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM             | Dining Hall - B             | First Aid                 | Matthew Bosler              | 10         | TBD                    |  |
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM             | Trail Hawk Pavilion         | Forestry                  | Dustin Doome                | 10         | N/A                    |  |
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM             | Tee Pee                     | Indian Lore               | Maria McEchran              | 10         | N/A                    |  |
| 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM<br>(All Day) | Shooting Sports Range       | Archery Merit Badge       | Jason Reinholz              | 6          | N/A                    | \$6.00 fee   |
| 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM<br>(All Day) | Staplecamp Cabin            | Plumbing                  | Doug Urban                  | 15         | N/A                    | \$10.00 fee, wear old clothes, bring safety glasses, and work gloves |
| 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM<br>(All Day) | Friendship Pavilion         | Signs, Signals, and Codes | Douglas Johnson             | 10         | TBD                    |  |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | OSA Pavilion in Ridge Field | American Labor            | William Osborne & Tom Brien | 10         | Req 1, 2               |  |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | Trading Post                | Archaeology               | Maria McEchran              | 10         | Req. 4a, 7a, 7b, 7c, 8 | Bring work gloves  |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | Waterfront                  | Canoeing                  | Ryan Spellecy               | 8          | N/A                    |  |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | Dining Hall - A             | Citizenship in the Nation | Wanda Barbour               | 10         | Req. 5, 7, 8           |  |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | Tee Pee                     | Coin Collecting           | Ramona Elmore               | 10         | TBD                    |  |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | Carl Johnson Cabin          | Disabilities Awareness    | Melissa Schroeder           | 10         | TBD                    |  |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | Trail Hawk Pavilion         | Personal Fitness          | Stephen Meer                | 10         | 12 week fitness log    | Bring workbook and exercise clothes/shoes                            |
| 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM              | Dining Hall - B             | Personal Management       | Lisa Heider                 | 10         | TBD                    |  |

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