



SOUTH PLAINS COUNCIL SPRING CAMPOREE

Event Guide

Event At a Glance

What: 2024 South Plains Council Shooting Sports Camporee

When: Saturday, April 13, 2024 – 7:30am – 5:00pm

Where: Camp C.W. Post; Post, Texas

Fee Schedule:

- Participating Scout:
 - Early Bird (before March 1, 2024): \$25
 - Regular Rate (March 1 – April 6, 2024): \$30
- Adult / non-participating scout
 - Early Bird: \$15
 - Regular Rate: \$20
- Camporee Service Team: \$10
- Saturday Grab-and-Go Breakfast: \$3

- NO day-of participant registrations

Event Overview

First and foremost, this is a Scouting event. Everyone is expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the Scout Oath and Law.

The 2024 South Plains Council Camporee will have a Shooting Sports theme. The format will be a one-day, team-competition style event. This event, as well as all stations, will follow the guidelines as outlined in the latest edition of the Guide to Safe Scouting. Each station will be managed by trained and certified personnel.

Each team will consist of five, BSA-aged youth. Team members will typically be from the same unit; but mixed-unit teams can be formed by combining five scouts from different units as needed. All scouts will participate in each individual event, and when that event is complete, the team will determine which team member's score will count for that event. The score will be noted on the team's scorecard, the scout whose score was selected will receive a wristband, and that scout can continue to participate in all other events, but their score cannot be counted for any other event; and scores cannot be switched once noted. The Top Shot prize will go to the winning team as determined based on highest combined score for all events. Other prizes/awards will be given for the individual scout with the highest score in each event.

New to this event, will be the creation of a 'Camporee Service Team', or CST, to help the event run smoothly. The CST will perform activities such as flag ceremony; providing directions, water restock at stations; bathroom check/stock, assisting at the various stations, and other duties as needed. Scouts who do not want to participate on a shooting team, can participate on the CST and in addition to cool CST swag, are eligible to receive service hours as approved by the unit's Scoutmaster.

Logistics

The Camp Office will serve as the check-in point for all participants, non-participants, staff, and CST. Units should plan to arrive between 7am and 7:30am; check in will start at 7:30am and will go until 8:15am. To maintain the integrity of the day's schedule, **no check-ins will be permitted after 8:15am.**

The Dining Hall will serve as Event Headquarters and is reserved for cook staff, shooting sports staff, and Camporee Service Team. All others have no need to enter the Dining Hall.

Medical will be located near the Camp Office, across from check-in.

Water, as well as bathrooms/porta-potties/kybo's, will be available near each station.

Check-In Process

It is recommended that the unit leader check in the teams to avoid congestion at check-in. At check-in, the leader will receive colored wristbands for each team, one per team member. This will mark them as a participant (as opposed to non-participant/CST). Team members must be wearing a participant wristband to participate in the events. Leaders will also receive grab-and-go breakfasts based on number purchased.

Meals

Units who want to camp Friday night may do so. No dinner will be provided Friday night. Saturday will be a grab-n-go breakfast for those who paid for a grab-and-go breakfast when they registered. Otherwise, units who choose to camp can cook breakfast at their own campsite. All others should eat breakfast prior to arrival at camp. Lunch will be picnic-style down at the large pavilion area near the trading post. There will also be small activities nearby for fun/games during lunch. No dinner will be provided Saturday night. Units who are staying over Saturday night can cook dinner at their own campsite.

Trading Post

The Trading Post will be open starting at 9am for snacks, drinks, and other items, and will remain open for 30 minutes after the event to get those 'last-minute' items.

Fires

There are no open flames allowed. Propane-based fires only. There will be NO exceptions.

Trash

Pack it in – pack it out! Please bring garbage bags for disposal of your trash and garbage. All units must remove their own trash. Please be considerate of others and leave your area cleaner than when you arrived.

Health and Medical

Activity Consent Forms are Part A of the Annual Health and Medical record and along with Part B of the medical forms must be on-site and available for inspection at check-in. All Health and Medical Records will be kept by unit leaders. If medically necessary, the camporee medical staff may request forms from the unit leader.

Station Overview

Stations will consist of the following events:

- Rifle
- Shotgun
- Archery
- Tomahawk throwing
- Slingshot chalk-ball

Each station is one hour in total, including transition time. This means the actual event will take approximately 45 minutes, with 15 minutes transition time. It is imperative that each team arrive to their designated station on time. Once each member of the team finishes the event, they will come together to determine which scout's score will count for that station. The station lead(s) will enter the scout's name and their score on the team's scorecard and will initial it. That scout will then get a wrist band to indicate their score has already been used for an event and subsequent scores cannot be counted for another event. Once all stations have been completed, patrols will turn in their completed scorecards at Event HQ (the dining hall). Once all scorecards are received, and scores are tallied, winners will be announced at the awards ceremony.

Disqualification Criteria

Anyone caught attempting to change their score, or attempting to circumvent the rules (e.g. switching wristbands), will result in the **entire team being disqualified** from the event. Additionally, any behavior not consistent with Scouting's ideals will result in the individual(s) being asked to leave the property and could result in the disqualification of a team. All decisions made by the Event Director are final.

Schedule

- 7:00am – Breakfast (for units camping Friday night)
- 7:30am – 8:15am – Unit Check-in
 - Each team will be given a schedule and ‘passport’
 - Grab-&-Go breakfast will also be distributed as purchased
 - **NO** check-ins allowed after 8:15am
- 8:30am – Flag ceremony, announcements / day overview; transition to first event
- 9:00am – First Event
- 10:00am – Second Event
- 11:00am – Third Event
- 12:00pm – 1:30pm – Lunch
- 1:30pm – 2:30pm – Fourth Event
- 2:30pm – 3:30pm – Fifth Event
- 4:30pm – Awards Ceremony in front of the dining hall
- 5:00pm – Camporee Ends / Trading Post Closes

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Do I have to have Youth Protection Training to attend?

A. Yes. All adults (anyone over 18) must have completed the new Youth Protection Training to attend this event.

Q. Can scouts participate even if their unit is not signing up?

A. Yes! If scouts are interested in participating but their unit is not participating, they can still sign up. They will be placed in a mixed-unit team so that they may have the opportunity to compete. If there are not enough scouts to form a team, those scouts can still participate by joining the Camporee Service Team.

Q. Will I need my Field (a.k.a. Class A) Uniform?

A. Field uniforms are *optional*. Because we will be transitioning from the opening ceremony to the first event, activity shirts (a.k.a. Class B), or 'team shirts' are recommended.

Q. Can we have a campfire?

A. Camp Post remains under a burn ban and no ash-producing fires are permitted. Propane-style, portable campfires are permitted.

Q. Can we arrive on Saturday?

A. Yes. Units/participants that are arriving on Saturday morning must check-in at the camp office before 8:15am. Absolutely NO check-ins will be permitted after 8:15am to maintain the integrity of the day's schedule.

Q. Is dinner served Friday night?

A. No. Units are welcome to arrive/camp on Friday night; though it is recommended that they eat dinner before arrival at camp or cook dinner at their campsite.

Q. Is breakfast served Saturday morning?

A. There will be a grab-and-go breakfast provided at check-in for those who have purchased it during registration. Units may also cook breakfast at their own campsite. Anyone arriving after 8:00am Saturday morning should eat breakfast prior to arrival.

Q. Is dinner served Saturday night?

A. No. The event is scheduled to end around 5pm on Saturday. Units are welcome to stay overnight on Saturday but must provide their own meals.

Q. Will lunch be served during the day?

A. Yes. We will break for lunch which will be provided to all paid attendees and the Trading Post will be open for snacks and drinks. Water will be provided at all stations as well as be available at various points around camp. We will also have some games & activities during lunch.

Q. Can I bring my own firearms, bows, or other equipment to compete?

A. No. All equipment and supplies will be provided. No personal firearms, bows, or other equipment will be permitted.

Q: Can adults participate on a team or as their own team?

A. No. This camporee is for BSA-aged youth only. All participating youth must be registered members of a troop, ship, crew, or post. However, the South Plains Council Shooting Sports Committee can run separate adult shooting sports events. For more information on participating in adult shooting sports events, please reach out to the South Plains Council Shooting Sports Committee.