



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
BLACK HILLS AREA COUNCIL

*Save The Date for next year
April 30 - May 2, 2027*

May 1-3, 2026
Farm Island Recreation Area,
323 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, South Dakota

SPRING CAMPOREE

Event Information

Planned Merit Badges For This Event:

- Fishing
 - Cit. in the Nation
 - American Heritage
- ISLT available!**
(Space is limited)

Troop 17

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This packet contains information on your unit's registration to attend the 2026 Spring Camporee. To secure your spot, each unit must complete an online registration and pay all necessary fees before registration closes. **No registrations will be taken at the event.**

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All registrations will be accomplished using the Black Hills Area Council's Registration System through the URL:

<https://scoutingevent.com/695-Camporee2026>

Key Dates:

April 15th, 2026

April 27th, 2026

May 1-3, 2026

Late Registration Fee Starts

Registration Closes

Spring Camporee

Spring Camporee Information

Activities

The following Merit Badges will be part of Spring Camporee this year:

- Citizenship in the Nation
- Fishing
- American Heritage
- ILST

- Each Scout will work on only 1 merit badge.

Volunteers are needed from the troops to teach the requirements / skills at stations for these Merit Badges. Crazy Horse Lodge will be performing a call-out ceremony for all candidates elected in the spring during Unit OA Elections.

Camping

Units are encouraged to camp Friday – Sunday. Units can arrive anytime after 5:00pm on Friday and leave Sunday morning before noon and after your campsite has passed inspection.

Farm Island Recreation Area

323 E. Capitol Ave.

Pierre SD, 57501

Attendance

All Scouts BSA age youth and adults registered with the Boy Scouts of America are permitted to attend this event. Every unit must have two-deep adult leadership and abide by the policies established in the Guide to Safe Scouting.

Fees

The fee for Spring Camporee is \$15.00 for youth, and \$12 for adults. Each unit must have 2 deep leadership with their group at all times. To secure youth and adult spots, each unit must complete an on-line registration. Fees can be paid by credit card or debit card on-line. Alternatively, fees may be paid for with check or cash at the Scout Service Center.

Late Registration begins on April 15th and the price per participant will increase to \$25.

Patches

This year patches will be ordered after the event.

Transportation

Units are encouraged to arrive at Farm Island Recreation Area between 4pm - 7pm on Friday and to depart before Noon on Sunday.

Health Forms

Parts A and B of the Health forms will need to be on hand with the on site leadership. This will be asked about at check in.

Weather

This event is a GO; rain, snow or shine. Unless unsafe to travel. Please plan Troop and personal gear accordingly.

Keeping Warm/Staying Cool

Research and know how to dress appropriately for this event. Be prepared! Temperatures can vary. Be sure to discuss the importance of having appropriate clothing and equipment BEFORE you come to the event. Any adult or Scout not dressed appropriately, as determined by our health officer, for the event may not be allowed to participate.

Meals

All meals will be up to the Troop to supply and cook. Sack Lunches for Saturday are the best option for units to plan to bring with them. There is no food available at the campground.

- Optional OA Fundraiser Lunch for \$8

- 2 Hot Dogs
- Chips
- Water or Gatorade

Campfires

Fire pits are provided at shelter areas ONLY. No individual unit fires are allowed.

Point of Contact

Any questions should be directed to the Black Hills Area Council Office or to Tad Brewer at 605.645.9687

Event Schedule

Friday

5pm-7:30pm Check-in / Campsite Set-up

Saturday

7am-8am **Breakfast on own**

8:00am-8:30am **Scoutmaster/SPL Orientation**

8:30am Opening Flags/
Prepare for Activities

9:00am Merit Badge Booth Activities

Clean-up All Activities
9am-12pm Units prepare for Dinner/Freetime

12:00pm Lunch on your own
or OA Fundraiser

1pm-4pm Merit Badge Booth Activities

4-4:30pm Campsite time

5pm-7:30pm Dinner on own

8:00pm

Sunday

7am-8am Breakfast on own
8am Scouts own service
9am Dismissed after
campsite inspection
NOON Event Closed

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Event Payment Policy

All event fees and registration costs must be paid in full prior to event. Payments taken after the event are considered late. In addition, a 10% service fee (or \$10, whichever is greater) will be applied to the unpaid balance for each month the registration is not paid in full.

Activity Refund Policy

Food and program supplies are purchased in advance based upon projected adult/youth attendance. Last minute cancellations create an overstock of supplies and food that often times cannot be returned. To ensure all requests receive uniform treatment, the following refund policy has been established.

- No-shows at activities, those sent home because of misbehavior, and Scouts leaving an activity for non-emergency reasons forfeit all fees and no refunds will be authorized. This applies to individuals and/ or Units.
- All cancellations must be in writing and received by the Council office at least five (5) calendar days prior to an activity's start date. Please return request addressed to the Attention of the "Refund Committee".
- If requesting a refund for medical reasons, a doctor's note with contact information must be submitted.
- If requesting a refund for an immediate death in the family, either an obituary or funeral program must be submitted.
- The Unit leader or person in charge of the unit activity must handle all refund requests.
- No requests for refunds will be honored after the event.
- Refunds will be distributed to the unit that made payment on the registration. Refunds will be given in the form of a check.

• **NOTE:** Activity personnel cannot authorize refunds. All refunds require the approval of the Refund Committee which includes the Scout Executive.

