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What is The Oregon Trail?

The Oregon Trail is a Klondike like event for cub scouts. For years, scouts in troops have competed in Klondike Derbies, where they compete in various scout related activities over a course to earn points. This will be very similar.

Cub scouts will compete in teams of 2 or 3 in various scout related activities using only the gear they are carrying with them. Teams must carry all the items on the gear list in their packs, but not every scout must carry every item. Some items are for the team, some are required for each scout, pay attention to the list. All gear must be in their back packs. Scouts must carry **all** of the gear (i.e. no parents can help carry gear).

Plan

Teams will start at Independence Missouri with a pack inspection, all of the packs for an individual team will be presented as a group. Each team will be given a map and score card and told what Town or Fort to head to first. There is no correct order to hit the towns and forts. After teams finish their first station they can go in any order they like.

Points are awarded at each town and fort for completing specific tasks, teamwork, and scout spirit.

Teams can earn extra points by cleaning up litter and trash, 1 point for each piece, and must be turned in at Oregon City to be awarded points.

Teams must report to Oregon City by 4 pm with their score card. Once it is turned in they are done. However if a team finishes all the stations early and wants to go back to try again for more points before they go to Oregon City they can, but they can only

repeat stations after they have completed the entire trail. When they check in, their packs will be rechecked to make sure no items were lost on the trail (except food items, which can be eaten on the course).

Unlike the Klondike for the Scouts in the Troops, this is not a race and there are no extra points awarded for completing the course first. However, points will be lost for checking into Oregon City after 4 pm.

Lunch will be provided by scouts and leaders from Troop 3700.

Schedule

8 am - Team check in and pack inspection
9 am - Course is open and teams may begin at their starting station
12 pm - Course closes for lunch, you may leave your packs where ever you are and return to them after lunch
1 pm - Course opens back up
4 pm - Course closes, must be checked into Oregon City
4:30pm - Camp fire and awards announced

Scouts can form their teams in advance if they would like and co-ordinate bringing the items on the gear list. Any lone scouts will be placed in teams on arrival. If your scout signs up as a lone scout, it is recommended that they bring all the items on the list to be sure that their team is properly outfitted. If their team has surplus supplies, they can leave the extras with their parents so they are not weighed down.

Scouts will be given a backpack to carry their gear in at check in. Scouts should be sure to wear layers and dress for the weather, open toed shoes are not allowed.

Gear list

Each scout should bring:
A canned good to donate
Rain Gear
Camp Cup/Mug
Cold Weather gear
Extra socks
A water bottle and trail snacks

