Activities Ops – Gear Packing & Care

Source Material – TLT Director’s Guide, Activities Operations, Logistics, #1, 2

1. Assist in planning campsite layout & facilitate campsite setup.
2. Assist in developing a packing list, preparing and packing all general club gear, and unpacking, accounting for, and repairing general club gear upon return from an event.

Students
The TLTs who attend this Operation have been in the TLT program for at least 1 years. They should already be acquainted with each other and are building long-lasting relationships. Help them be interactive by having activities that they can do together, and be intentional about them working with other TLTs who are not part of their own club.

Purpose & Goals of Workshop
This workshop is intended to help the TLTs understand and develop the skills and knowledge necessary to effectively set up campsite. The goal of the class is to teach the TLTs the essential preparations and the technical basis for setting up campsite. The TLTs should be equipped to perform all the camp set up tasks needed before, during, and after a camping trip with minimal assistance. It is imperative that this workshop be interactive and activity-based.

Ideas for Workshop activities:

- Activity #1: Divide TLTs into groups of 2 or 3 from different clubs. Ask them to plan a campsite for a club of 10 Pathfinders (5 males and 5 females) and 6 staff (3 males and 3 females) camping from Friday evening to Sunday morning. Have them draw the campsite layout and provide the reasons why they choose that campsite layout. Allow time for each group to make a presentation.
- Activity #2: Have TLTs go back to their previous group. Ask them to prepare a list of the personal items they need for the camping trip and a list of the camping gears they will need for the campsite set up. Have each group write the reason why they need each one of the items they listed. Have them write, as well, their action plan and deadlines for getting each item ready (including inspecting them and repairing them). Allow time for each group to make a presentation.
- Facilitate discussion among the TLTs about what their clubs do to deal with campsite planning and set up (Intent is for them to get ideas from other clubs so when they go back to their own Staff meetings they will have some new ideas for their club).

Ideas for Convention activities:

- The TLTs from the Gear Packing and Care workshop submit a copy of their campsite layouts in Activity #1 to their instructor. The instructor assigns a code to each layout to keep it anonymous. The same TLTs then form a panel of judges and grade each anonymous layout on a scale of 1 to 10 based on 2 criteria: safety and practicability. The result can be given during the game night.
on Saturday night (with a prize) or communicated to the layout owner privately to avoid competition.

**Additional Resources:**