

SC DISTRICT FAMILY CAMP 2025 CARDBOARD BOAT RACES RULES

RULES FOR ALL TEAMS

1. Teams consist of 2-4 people (5 with an alternate). Two people in the crew will start at one end of the pond and race to the other end where the remaining 2 teammates will be waiting. The 2 teammates in the boat will switch with the 2 teammates waiting on the shore (the original crew members may jump out of the boat upon reaching the checkpoint). If there is only a 2-person team, they will exit the boat fully and then reenter the boat.
2. The boat will then be raced back to the original starting point for the end of the race. A race consists of 50 yards.
3. The race must begin and end with the two-person crew intact. Any use of the sides of the pond for pushing or pulling your boat will result in a disqualification.
4. All participants' arms and legs must be in the boat at all times. Body parts may not be used to propel the boats.

RULES AND SUPPLIES FOR ALL BOATS

1. The entire hull, superstructure and seating of all boats must be made entirely of only cardboard. The structure may be up to three layers of cardboard thick.
2. Teams may use up to 5 regular rolls of duct tape on the boat.
3. Only seams and joints may be taped, not the whole boat.
4. Your boat must be free of sharp edges, pointy objects or anything else that could cause injuries.
5. The boat's passenger area must not be permanently enclosed above the occupants' shoulders. Each person must be visible while the boat is in the water.
6. Absolutely NO use of the following items: Tar-based substances, two-part varnishes, fiberglass resin, epoxy glue, any other two-part substances, or corrugated cardboard that's bonded to any material. Only Duct tape and cardboard. You may paint and decorate your boat, as long as the boat is not painted in its entirety.
7. Depending on the number of entries, racing heats may be used. Heats will consist of no more than 4 boats at a time. Fastest finisher in each heat will compete for the championship.

THE AWARDS

First Place – Fastest Finish | Most Decorated | Best Sinking