



DATE: DECEMBER 3, 2020
TO: NCS Participant Course Dates: **March 21-27, 2021 – Full School:**
Course Location: **Camp Tracy** **Camp Director, Program Director,**
3901 Mill Creek Canyon Rd **COPE (R), Climbing (R), Shooting**
Salt Lake City, UT 84109 **Sports* (R) *(R)=Recert**

FROM: **Dave Whitner – National Camping School Course Director**
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Welcome to the 2021 National Camping School (NCS) at **Camp Tracy**. On behalf of the camping school faculty, we eagerly look forward to having you with us. The course liaison for this school is **Josh Haacke (801.624.8222; Joshua.haacke@scouting.org)**. Please do not hesitate to contact either Josh or me if you have any questions before National Camp School. The following information will help you prepare for NCS.

Covid-19 and National Camping School - Local council host sites will continue to practice any locally required COVID-19/communicable disease mitigation strategies. Before your arrival, you will receive additional information about what precautions will be in place during NCS. If local area restrictions do not allow a course to be held, you will be contacted no less than 14 days in advance and given an alternative training option.

These precautions are important, but these efforts cannot eliminate the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp. Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. *If you are in this group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider before attending National Camping School.*

A BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A, B & C) completed within the past 12 months, is required and must be completed before your arrival. Please bring the completed form with you. If you do not have this required form, you will need to obtain a physical at your own expense before beginning class. The cost will likely be a **MINIMUM** of \$100.

Please plan to arrive between **9:00 a.m.** and **11:00 a.m.** (Mountain Time) on Sunday, **March 21st, 2021**. Check-in at the Camp Tracy office – a map to Camp Tracy is included in this letter. Departure will be after graduation on Saturday, **March 27th**. If your travel schedule requires you to arrive early, Camp Tracy has accommodations beginning on Saturday afternoon and includes lodging and two meals (dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday) for an additional \$40. Your council will be billed if you arrive early so be sure to consult with them before arriving early. Camp Tracy, Crossroads of the West Councils has made arrangements for shuttle service from the Salt Lake City Airport. Please register at <https://www.utahscouts.org/ncsshuttle>. The cost for the shuttle is \$50.00 roundtrip. Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC) is the closest airport serving Camp Tracy. Carpooling is recommended. Driving directions to Camp Tracy are attached.

Shooting Sports, COPE, Climbing, Resident Camp Director, and Resident Program Director - Please note that there are pre-requisite training(s) which you **MUST COMPLETE** before you attend your sections of NCS. Please ensure you have completed this training and documenting support materials with you as proof of completion. Persons who arrive without completing the pre-requisite training(s) will not be allowed to participate in National Camp School.

Shooting Sports: NRA Rife and Shotgun Instructor Certification

COPE: COPE Level I Instructor

Climbing: Climbing Level I Instructor

Resident Camp Director and Program Director: Online NCAP training is available at on the NCS page @ <https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/national-camping-school/>



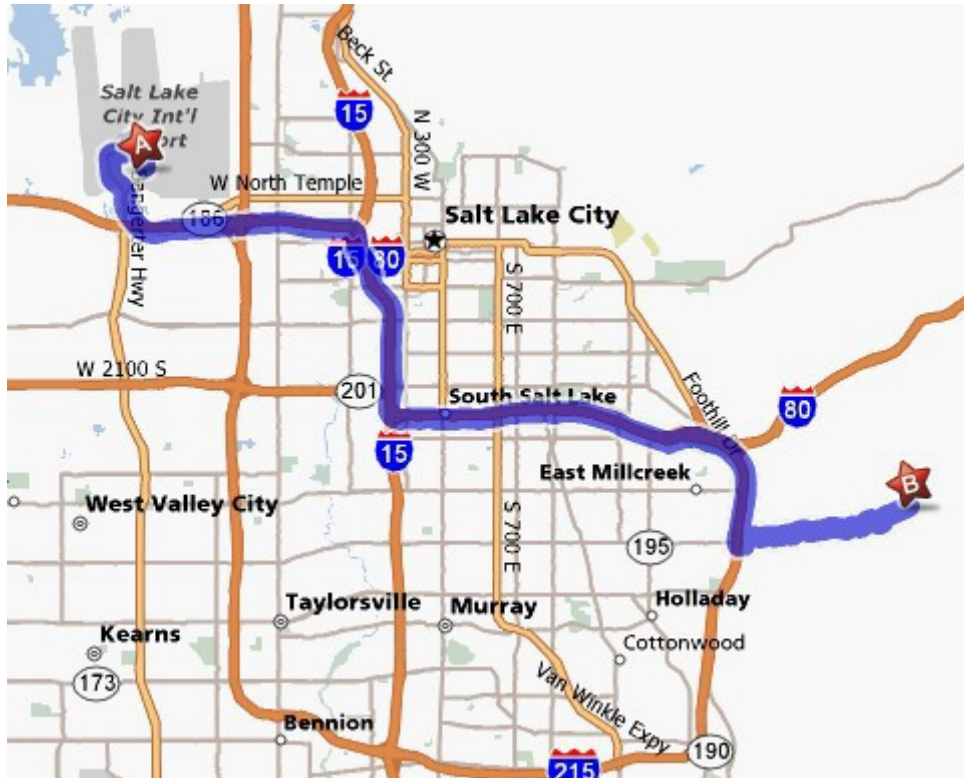
Complete, correct BSA uniforms are required. The BSA Field Uniform (Scout shorts or long trousers, Scout shirts, Venturing shirts, Scout socks) or the BSA Activity Uniform (Scout shorts or pants with Scouting golf or t-shirts) will be worn at National Camping School. The complete field uniform is required for evening meals, worship services, campfires, and other formal activities during the week. A BSA Activity Uniform is appropriate during the day. The weather at Camp Tracy in March/April ranges from the mid-50s during the days to the low-20s in March. Please make sure to be ready for large temperature swings each day— Heavy coats and/or jackets, hats, and gloves are required. Please assume dress for cold (not cool) weather, and remember heavy spring snowstorms Utah snow is always possible in March and Camp Tracy is within 30 minutes of ski local ski areas.

Housing will be in cabins heated with wood-burning stoves. Cabins have bunk beds, but **bedding, and linens are NOT provided**. Cabins are not attached to the conference rooms. Showers/restrooms are provided in a separate building. Walking will be required. The telephone number at **Camp Tracy** is **801.476.4819** in case of emergency. Limited internet Wi-Fi is available near the lodge at Camp Tracy. Cellular coverage is not available at this location.

In addition to the items listed above, please bring an open mind, a cooperative attitude, a willing smile, a lot of enthusiasm, and we'll have a great course.

CAMP TRACY

3901 East Millcreek Canyon Road
Salt Lake City, UT 84109



From the airport (west):

Exiting the airport, take I-80 East. This will converge with I-15 South. When they divide, continue on I-80 East. Then, take I-215 South and exit at 3300 South exit. Turn left across the freeway and then, immediately right onto Wasatch Blvd. Turn left on 3800 South and continue (2.5 miles East of Wasatch Blvd) past the guard station to Tracy Training Center (Gate F).

From the north:

Take I-15 South to I-80 East. Then, take I-215 South and exit at 3300 South exit. Turn left across the freeway and then, immediately right onto Wasatch Blvd. Turn left on 3800 South and continue (2.5 miles East of Wasatch Blvd) past the guard station to Tracy Training Center (Gate F).

From the south

Take I-15 North to I-215 East. Exit 3300 South/3900 South exit. Turn left onto Wasatch Blvd. Turn right onto 3800 South and continue (2.5 miles East of Wasatch Blvd) past the guard station to Tracy Training Center (Gate F).