Welcome to National Camping School at Camp Flying Eagle

The 2022 Camp School theme is Wild Wild West! We've assembled a great team and are anxiously waiting for you to join us for an awesome adventure! To make the most of this experience, please review the following critical information as you develop your plan to join us.

Critical Details on National Camping School Participation

LOCATION: Camp Flying Eagle
16009 Upper Manatee River Road
Bradenton, FL 34212

DATES & TIMES: April 2 & 3, 2022 for Day Camp Administration

Check-in will take place from 8:00 am - 8:45 am on Saturday, April 2nd, 2022. The course will begin promptly at 9:00 am on Saturday and will conclude at approximately 1:00 pm on Sunday, April 3rd, 2022. Attendance at all sessions is mandatory for successful course completion. Meal service will begin with lunch on Saturday and end with lunch on Sunday.

EARLY ARRIVALS: For an additional fee of $55.00, you may arrive at camp on Friday, April 1st, 2022. If you choose this option, please plan your arrival between 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm EST.*

COVID-19 AND NATIONAL CAMPING SCHOOL: Local council host sites will continue to practice any locally required COVID-19/communicable disease mitigation strategies. Prior to your arrival, you will receive additional information about what precautions will be in place at your NCS site. 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 prior to attending National Camping School.

The safety of our Scouts, volunteers, employees, and communities continues to be our top priority. We must continue our vigilance to assure that youth and their families are safe while they enjoy the many benefits of Scouting. We encourage everyone to consult with their physician and get vaccinated. It is our best hope for returning to normalcy in our Scouting family.

WEATHER: Some of the scheduled programming will take place outdoors. While daytime temperatures in April can be in the low to mid 80's, it may get chilly at night. Please bring suitable clothing, rain gear, sleeping gear, hat and sunscreen.

WHAT TO BRING:

- ✓ Proof of BSA registration & prerequisite online training courses (Youth Protection, Fast Start, Cub Scout Leader Position Specific, Hazardous Weather, SCO_14001 & CS 63).
- ✓ BSA Health & Medical Record (Parts A & B).
- ✓ Printed copy of your completed NCS Resource Questionnaire.
- ✓ Samples of your council's day camp promotional materials, staff manual, registration form, program schedule to display and share with your fellow participants. We expect up to 40 people to be in attendance. Note: there will no copying services available on-site.
- ✓ Interesting craft or activity ideas to share
- ✓ Your camp T-shirt - there will be an opportunity for everyone to wear theirs!
- ✓ NCS Online Trading Post: You can preview and purchase specialty National Camp School items (shirts, sweatshirts, and more!) to be sent directly to your home via BSA National Supply.

PERSONAL GEAR:

- ✓ BSA Field Uniform (shirt, pants, socks, belt)
- ✓ Minimum of 2 activity uniform shirts (camp, event or unit t-shirts/polos)
- ✓ Toiletries
- ✓ Warm sleeping gear (sleeping bag, extra blanket)
- ✓ Theme related costuming (What would a mad scientist wear?)
- ✓ Jacket, sweater or hoodie
- ✓ Hat
- ✓ Rain gear
- ✓ Suitable footwear (open-toed shoes are discouraged)
- ✓ Sunscreen, bug repellent
- ✓ Day pack
- ✓ Water bottle
- ✓ Notebook, Pen/pencil
- ✓ Cell phone (camp phone is restricted to emergency use)

ACCOMODATIONS: Participants will be accommodated in National Jamboree style, 6-man dome tents with cots provided (single occupancy).

AIRPORT SHUTTLE: The host council has made arrangements for ground transportation to/from the following airports: Tampa International Airport, St. Pete–Clearwater International Airport, Sarasota–Bradenton International Airport. If you plan to travel by air and would like to request shuttle service, please e-mail flight information to Bruce Hassy (bruce.hassy@scouting.org). The fee is $25 round-trip, payable to the host council.

Any registration related questions may be directed to the BSA National Office, 972-580-2444.

As a member of your council's day camp management, you will be providing Scouts with an experience that they will remember the rest of their lives. Thank you for making the decision to attend National Camping School.

Yours in Scouting,

Bruce M. Hassy

Bruce Hassy
NCS Course Director
Email: Bruce.Hassy@scouting.org

* The early arrival fee is handled through your home council. You may or may not be expected to cover it personally. The fee includes lodging the night prior to the start of the course and breakfast from 7:00 am – 7:30 am. No activities are planned for early arrivals as the staff is busy with course preparations.

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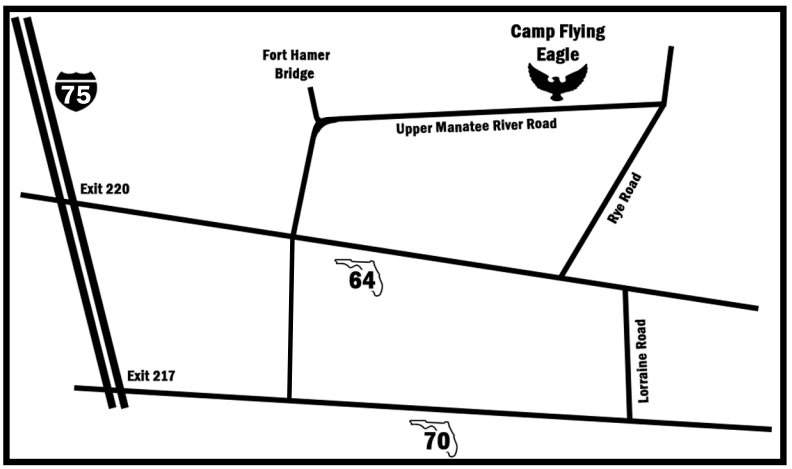
Driving Directions to Camp Flying Eagle

Street address for your GPS:
Camp Flying Eagle
16009 Upper Manatee River Road
Bradenton, FL 34212



Directions from points North:
Follow I-75 South to Exit 220
Turn onto FL 64 East
Follow FL 64 East for 2.6 miles
Turn left onto Upper Manatee River Road
Follow Upper Manatee River Road for 5.2 miles
Turn left at camp entrance

Directions from points South:
Follow I-75 North to Exit 220
Turn onto FL 64 East
Follow FL 64 East for 2.6 miles
Turn left onto Upper Manatee River Road
Follow Upper Manatee River Road for 5.2 miles
Turn left at camp entrance

Directions from points East:
Follow FL 70 to Lorraine Road (Manatee County)
Turn right onto Lorraine Road
Follow Lorraine Road for 3.0 miles
Turn left onto FL 64 West
Follow FL 64 West for 0.8 miles
Turn right onto Rye Road East
Follow Rye Road for 3.2 miles
Turn left on Upper Manatee River Road
Follow Upper Manatee River Road for 0.7 miles
Turn right at camp entrance

What do I do when I arrive?

Early Arrivals (Friday, 7 pm - 9 pm)
Participants will be greeted in the parking lot by a staff member and then directed to your assigned campsite to settle in. Breakfast will be provided at 7:00 am Saturday morning in the Dining Hall if you registered as an early arrival.

Day of Course Arrivals (Saturday, 7 am - 8:45 am)
Participants will be greeted in the parking lot and then directed to check-in at the Administration Pavilion. If time permits, you may drop off personal gear at your assigned campsite. Your first class will begin at 9:00 am in the NCS classroom. Your first meal will be Saturday lunch.

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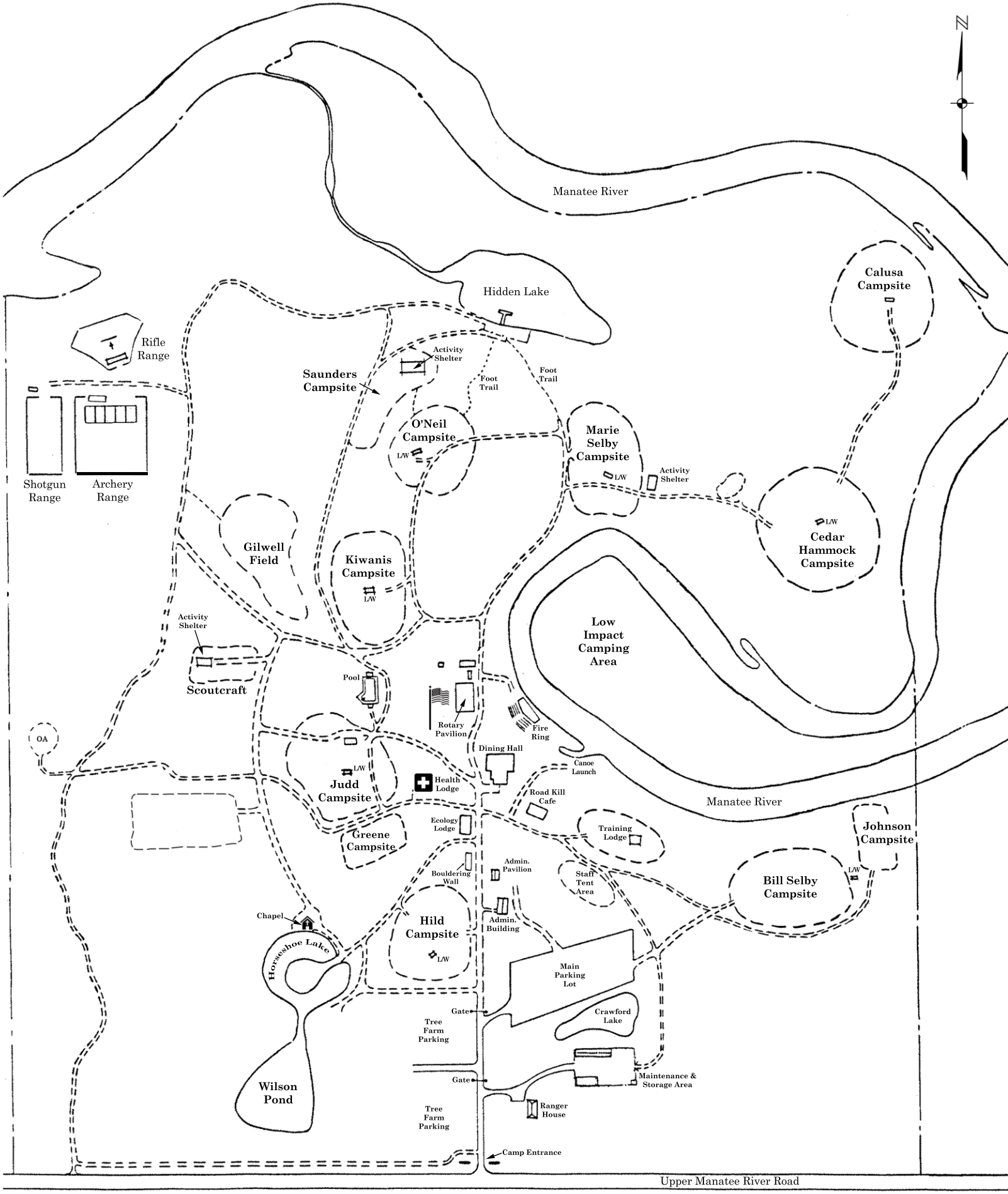
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