

2022 Critical Details on National Camping School Participation

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Dates: April 23 & 24, 2022 **Theme:** Wild Wild West

Course times: The action begins at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 23rd and ends approx. 2:00pm on Sunday, April 24th.

Weather: Temperatures will be in the low to mid 70's with lows in the 50's. Be prepared for cool mornings and warm afternoons, as well as some outdoor activities.

Housing: Due to the unique school location this year, please make your own reservations for lodging for the night of April 22nd (recommend early arrival but this night is optional) and April 23rd (school night). There are several nice hotels in the area. **NOTE: The course fee for this school has been reduced to accommodate this situation. Please coordinate reimbursement with your council before the course!**

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.

Before You Arrive at NCS:

- ❖ Fill out the NCS Personal Resource Questionnaire [HERE](#) and bring to camp school or you may email to bufalost2@gmail.com before arriving at camp school.
- ❖ Take the online NCS course and the in-person Council led NCS course. Don't forget the other required prerequisites: [Youth Protection Training](#) and [Cub Scout Leader Position Specific training](#).

What to Bring to Camp:

- ❖ Proof of BSA registration & prerequisite online training courses (Youth Protection Training, Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training, Camp School Online Training, and Council-led Camp School Training).
- ❖ Your completed [BSA health form \(parts A and B\)](#).
- ❖ Samples of your council's day camp/resident camp promotional materials, staff manuals, or other camp literature, registration forms, schedules, etc., for display or giveaway. Make copies for at least 30 participants (no copying services are available at camp).
- ❖ Interesting crafts or activity ideas to share.
- ❖ Your camp T-shirt—there will be an opportunity for everyone to wear theirs.
- ❖ Notepad and pencil or pen. A participant binder and learning materials will be provided.

- ❖ 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:

- ❖ ***Official complete BSA uniform.*** We will wear the field uniform, the official Scout uniform, on Saturday morning and Sunday morning. You may wear any Day Camp T-shirt/Sweatshirt or Scout activity uniform, at other times.
- ❖ Personal care items needed for hotel stay.
- ❖ Coat, jacket, suitable footwear/socks, gloves, hat, umbrella
- ❖ Camera/phone (Shoot the displays and show others back home what can be done!)
- ❖ Cell phone coverage at this site is relatively strong.

What to Expect and What Is Expected:

- ❖ Arrive rested. Be prepared for concentration, participation, and fun! Days last early morning to late at night.
- ❖ ***You must arrive no later than 8:00 a.m. on the first day and attend all sessions through the last day to be certified.***
- ❖ In order to focus on the learning, please leave the distractions of life behind: family, children, pets, job, etc.
- ❖ Please understand that if you receive the names and contact information for other participants or for staff, you may not contact them for commercial purposes unless you receive their expressed permission to do so.

The Greater Yosemite Council Office is located off of Highway 99 – State Route 219/Kiernan Avenue Exit.

