Welcome to National Camping School at Camp Friedlander in Loveland, Ohio! On behalf of the camping school faculty, we eagerly look forward to having you with us at Camp Friedlander. The course liaison for this school is Jason Pigg, who can be contacted at jason.pigg@scouting.org. Please do not hesitate to contact either Jason or myself if you have any questions prior to the 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. 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.

Please bring a copy of your current Youth Protection Training Certificate with you to Camp School. Your training must be current and last through the end of the Camp School.

**A BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A, B & C) completed within the past 12 months, is required and must be completed prior to 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 prior to 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. (Eastern Time) on Sunday, May 7, 2022. Check-in at the Camp Office – a map of Camp Friedlander is included in this letter. Departure will be after graduation on Saturday, May 13th. If your travel schedule requires you to arrive early, Camp Friedlander 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 prior to arriving early. Camp Friedlander has made arrangements for shuttle service from the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) for $65.00 roundtrip. Rental cars and rideshare services such as Uber or Lyft are also available to individuals wishing to utilize those options. Driving directions to Camp Friedlander are attached.
Shooting Sports, COPE, Climbing, Resident Camp Director and Resident Program Director - Please note that there are pre-requisite trainings which you MUST have before you attend your sections of NCS. Please ensure you have these trainings and bring support materials with you as proof. Persons who attend without these trainings complete will be sent back to their home councils.

- **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/](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. Complete field uniform is required for evening meals, worship services, campfires, and other formal activities. The weather in Loveland ranges from mid-70s to high-40s during the time that the course will be happening. Please make sure to be ready for the swings in temperature – coats and/or jackets are recommended.

Housing will be in canvas tents on raised wooden platforms. A metal frame cot and mattress are provided. Bringing bedding or a sleeping bag is recommended. Shower houses will be open but are shared between campsites, some walking may be required. The telephone number at Camp Friedlander is **513-831-8311** and is to be used in emergencies only. Wi-Fi will be available in some indoor locations at camp, and cell coverage is available throughout the camp property.

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.
Follow this link to view in Google Maps: https://goo.gl/maps/yFMF8

DAN BEARD COUNCIL CAMPS
Dan Beard Scout Reservation:
Conveniently located northeast of Cincinnati, off I-275 between Loveland and Milford, Ohio (45140).
There are three entrances to the reservation:
- Camp Friedlander – 581 Ibold Road
- Camp Craig – 6113 Price Road
- Cub Scout Adventure World – 6035 Price Road
Camp Phone: (513) 831-8311
Camp Fax: (513) 831-8475
Scout Achievement Center Phone: (513) 577-7700
Scout Achievement Center Fax: (513) 577-7738

Camp Michaels:
A primitive and beautiful camp located in Union, Kentucky off I-71 (41091):
- Camp Michaels – 3486 Hathaway Rd.
Camp Phone: (859) 384-3689

Reservations can be made at the Dan Beard Scout Service Center.
Please check in with a Campmaster or Camp Ranger when you arrive.
Additional Housing Details
NCS participants will be housed in 2-person canvas wall tents. Each tent is on a wooden platform and includes a metal spring cot and mattress for each person. Blankets, sheets, pillows, etc. are not provided. Please plan to bring your own sleeping bag or blankets. Avg temps. Shower facilities.

Meals at Camp Friedlander
Meals will be provided at the Camp Friedlander dining hall. We can accommodate most dietary restrictions with prior notice of your needs. If you have dietary needs or have questions about what we can accommodate, please contact us as soon as possible to best guarantee we can meet your needs during your time at camp.

Medical Needs
If you have any medical needs, such as requiring access to electricity for a CPAP machine, let us know before your arrival at camp. We will do our best to accommodate any needs you have that we are aware of in advance.

Trading Post
The Camp Friedlander Trading Post will be open at certain times, offering snacks, drinks, Camp Friedlander SWAG. It will also stock some necessities if you forgot something like a toothbrush, soap, etc. If you cannot find something you need in the Trading Post, camp is conveniently located close to several stores.