Welcome to the National Capital Area Council (NCAC)-hosted National Camping School Day Camp Administration Course! To help you prepare for a successful experience at camp school, we’ve put together some information to get you started.

COURSE SITE: Camp William B. Snyder  
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DATES: March 19-20, 2022  
CAMP SCHOOL THEME: Wild Wild West

COURSE TIMES: Registration begins at 8:00 AM sharp on Saturday, March 19th and the course will end at approximately 2:00 PM on Sunday, March 20th.

WEATHER: High temperatures should be in the 60s with lows in the 40s. Please Be Prepared – it’s a thing! – for cool mornings and warm afternoons. While most of the course is conducted indoors, you will spend some time doing outdoor activities so please plan accordingly.

EARLY ARRIVALS: For an additional $55.00* fee you may come Friday night, but please arrive between 7:00 and 10:00 PM. This fee covers lodging Friday evening and breakfast on Saturday but does NOT include a Friday night meal. There will be NO activities for early arrivals because the staff will be busy preparing.

COVID-19 AND NATIONAL CAMPING SCHOOL: NCAC continues to follow all locally-required COVID-19 mitigation measures, to include vaccination, masking, and social distancing, as well as Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)-recommended COVID-19 mitigation strategies and NCAC-specific protocols. So that everyone’s on the same page, the fist bump will be our course’s official standard greeting. Bearing in mind pandemic conditions are constantly changing, we will send you additional information about Camp Snyder’s COVID-19 precautions shortly before the course commences.

These precautions are important, but they cannot eliminate potential exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at Camp Snyder. The CDC warns that older adults and people of any age with serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for suffering from severe illness from contracting COVID-19. If you are in this group, please ensure your health care provider approves your National Camping School attendance.

The safety of our Scouts, volunteers, employees, and communities continues to be our top priority. We must remain vigilant to ensure youth and their families are safe while enjoying the many benefits of Scouting. We encourage everyone to consult with their physicians and get vaccinated. It is our best hope for returning to normalcy in our Scouting family.

BEFORE ARRIVING AT CAMP SNYDER, PLEASE:  
◆ Fill out the NCS Personal Resource Questionnaire and bring it to camp school.  
◆ Take the prerequisite Foundations of Cub Scout Day Camp online course and your Council’s Cub Scout Day Camp Administration Local Council course and BRING PROOF. Don’t forget the other prerequisites: Youth Protection Training (YPT) and Cub Scout Leader Position Specific training. Note: These training hyperlinks take you to the my.scouting.org home page where you’ll have to log in and navigate to the appropriate courses.
WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP SNYDER:

- Proof of BSA registration and of completing the aforementioned prerequisite training courses (Youth Protection Training, Cub Scout Leader Position-Specific Training, Foundations of Cub Scout Day Camp, and the Cub Scout Day Camp Administration Local Council course).
- Your completed BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A and B), a.k.a. the BSA health form or BSA med form.
- 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 20 participants as we don’t have copying services available at Camp Snyder.
- Interesting crafts or activity ideas to share.
- Your day camp’s T-shirt—there will be an opportunity for everyone to wear theirs.
- Although we will provide you with a participant binder and learning materials, you may find bringing notetaking material like a notepad, pen, or pencil helpful.

PERSONAL GEAR:

- Complete official BSA field uniform. We will wear the BSA field uniform (commonly but erroneously referred to as the “Class A” uniform) on Saturday and Sunday mornings. At other times you may wear the BSA activity uniform, a.k.a. the “Class B” uniform, consisting of any Scout-related T-shirt/sweatshirt, polo shirt, etc. We’d love to see you in your day camp shirts!
- We’re lodging you in gender-appropriate heated cabins with bunkbeds with stripped mattresses, so bring whatever bedding you think will help you get your best night’s sleep such as pillows, sheets, blankets, or sleeping bags.
- You’ll be bathing in a shower house with gender-appropriate sections, so bring shower shoes, toiletries, towels, washcloth, soap, shampoo, etc.
- CPAP users may plug in their machines in the cabins but we recommend you bring an extension cord in the event your bunk isn’t close enough to plug directly into a socket.
- Be sure to bring a coat, jacket, suitable footwear, socks, gloves, hat, raingear, umbrella, etc.
- If you have a camera, feel free to bring it to shoot the displays to show others back home what can be done.
- Cell phone coverage at Camp Snyder is solid but phone usage during camp school is restricted to emergencies.

WHAT TO EXPECT AND WHAT IS EXPECTED:

- Arrive rested. Be prepared—there it is again!—to concentrate, participate, and have fun! Training lasts from early morning until late at night the first day and resumes early on the second.
- You must arrive early enough on Saturday morning, March 19th, to be able to park your vehicle at the cabins (marked as “PARTICIPANT LODGING” on the map on page 6) and walk to the dining hall in time for 8:00 AM registration. The cabins will be unlocked and will have signs identifying male and female buildings, so we recommend arriving early enough to claim a bed and stow your gear, apart from what you’ll need for class, before registration.
- You must arrive at the dining hall no later than 8:00 AM on Saturday, March 19th and attend all sessions to receive NCS Cub Scout Day Camp Administration Course attendance credit.
- We will only give you your certification credentials before you leave camp school if you complete EVERY part of the training continuum. We will NOT issue you a training card if you do not a) attend all NCS Cub Scout Day Camp Administration course sessions and b) provide proof of completing BOTH Foundations of Cub Scout Day Camp AND the Cub Scout Day Camp Administration Local Council courses.
- To focus on learning, please leave life’s distraction behind, such as wives, husbands, children, pets, work, etc.
- Note there are no accommodations for anyone but you, so please don’t see this as an opportunity for a family weekend getaway in beautiful Haymarket, Virginia.
- Kindly understand if you receive other participants’ or staff members’ names and contact information you may not contact them for commercial purposes unless you receive their expressed permission to do so ahead of time.

* The early arrival fee is handled through your local council. You may or may not be expected to cover it personally.
There’s nothing new here but this includes all documents you need to bring in one succinct list:

- NCS Personal Resource Questionnaire
- BSA Annual Health and Medical Record
- Youth Protection Training certification
- Cub Scout Leader Position-Specific Training certification
- Foundations of Cub Scout Day Camp online course certification
- Cub Scout Day Camp Administration Local Council course certification
LOCATION: Camp William B. Snyder is in the Washington DC metropolitan area at 6100 Antioch Rd., Haymarket, VA 20169 ([https://www.gotosnyder.org](https://www.gotosnyder.org)). GPS devices find us quite easily right off of Interstate 66.

AIRPORT INFORMATION: Three major airports provide service to the Washington, DC area: Washington Dulles international (IAD), Ronald Reagan Washington National (DCA), and Baltimore-Washington International (BWI). Estimated travel times are listed below and can vary widely during morning and evening rush hours.

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DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO CAMP SNYDER:

FROM THE EAST (CAPITAL BELTWAY - ROUTE I-495):
Take I-66 west to exit #40 (Rte. 15/James Madison Hwy). After exiting, immediately get into the righthand of the three left-turn lanes to go south on Rte. 15. Go through the traffic light and get into the far-right lane, then turn right at the next light on to Rte. 55/John Marshall Hwy. Travel west about one mile to Antioch Rd. then turn right. You should see a sign for Camp Snyder on Antioch Rd. on the left just past the intersection. After about 3/4 of a mile the Camp Snyder front gate will be on your left.

FROM THE WEST:
Take I-66 east to exit #40 (Rte. 15/James Madison Hwy). After exiting stay in the right lane, turning right to go south on to Rte. 15/James Madison Highway, until you get to the traffic light. Turn right on to Rte. 55/John Marshall Hwy. Travel west about one mile to Antioch Rd. then turn right. You should see a sign for Camp Snyder on Antioch Rd. on the left just past the intersection. After about 3/4 of a mile the Camp Snyder front gate will be on the left.

FROM THE SOUTH:
Travel north on Rte. 15 (Warrenton), Rte. 7100 (Fairfax County Pkwy), or Rte. 28 (Manassas) to I-66 west. From this point follow the directions From the east, above.

FROM THE NORTH:
Travel south on Route 15 (Leesburg), Route 28 (Sterling), or Route 123 (McLean) to Interstate 66 west. From this point follow the directions From the east, above.

A NOTE ABOUT PARKING:
There should be ample parking at the cabins where you’ll be lodging (marked as “PARTICIPANT LODGING” on the map on page 6) and you’re expected to walk back and forth to the dining hall for class and meals. If you have physical limitations requiring you to drive, you may do so and park in the handicapped parking area noted on the map.
Location of Camp Snyder front gate