Welcome to the 2023 National Camping School at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation near Osceola, MO.

Your application has been received and on behalf of the camping school faculty, we eagerly look forward to having you with us at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation this spring. It is my honor and pleasure to serve as the Director for this session of National Camp School. Should you need anything in preparation for this training, please feel free to contact Brent Worley at brentw@wallties.com or David Riker at david.riker@scouting.org.

An Annual medical examination (parts A, B, and C) and health record, completed within the past 12 months, is required and must be completed prior to your arrival. Please bring a copy of the completed form with you. If you do not have this required form, you will need to obtain one at your own expense prior to beginning class. Cost will be a minimum of $100.

Please plan to arrive between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Central Time) on Saturday, May 13, 2023 unless noted below. Departure will be after breakfast on Friday May 19, 2023. All participants who are enrolled in any retraining sections will be able to depart after Noon on Tuesday May 16, 2023.

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 camping school. A complete Field Uniform is required for evening meals, worship services, campfires, and other formal activities.

Housing will be in cabins with electricity. A bunk and mattress pad are provided. Bedding and linens will not be provided, you will need to provide your own sleeping bag/pillow etc. Internet WiFi will be available in the Dining Hall and some of the classroom areas. Cellular coverage is available throughout the camp property. The H. Roe Bartle website is https://www.hoac-bsa.org/bartle. The telephone number at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation is 417-646-8115 in case of emergency. The Council Liaison for this camp school will be David Riker who can be contacted at david.riker@scouting.org.

Laundry facilities are available on site. The nearest town with stores such as Walmart are 30 minutes away in Clinton, MO.

If you are needing to arrive early due to travel arrangements, you may arrive Friday, May 12th. The early arrival fee is $55, which includes dinner on Friday and breakfast on Saturday. Early arrival fees will need to be paid prior to camp school. Those participants who do not inform us that you will be arriving early will need to pay the early arrival fee before you leave camp school.

The host council has made arrangements for ground transportation from the Kansas City International Airport. If you plan to travel by air you need be on the ground at Kansas City International Airport (MCI) by 6:00pm Friday or by 7:00am on Saturday to catch a shuttle to camp. Contact David Riker at david.riker@scouting.org to make arrangements for a pickup time and location. The fee will be $40 and will be billed to your council. It is a 2 hour drive from the airport to the camp property.
Shooting Sports, Aquatics, COPE, Climbing, COPE and Climbing Program Trainer, 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 may be sent back to their home councils.

Shooting Sports: NRA Basic and Instructor Rifle and Shotgun Certification
Aquatics: Current Lifeguard certification (BSA Lifeguard, Red Cross Lifeguard, YMCA Lifeguard, Starfish Aquatics Institute StarGuard, Ellis & Associates International Lifeguard Training Program, or equivalent) Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat training and proven swimming skills.
COPE: COPE Level I Instructor
Climbing: Climbing Level I Instructor
COPE and Climbing Program Trainer: Hold current certification from National Camping School in COPE or Climbing Director training AND have working knowledge of your council’s COPE or Climbing Program. Have Portfolio demonstrating 50 hours of face to face COPE or Climbing instruction with participants as a NCS Director or Level I or II instructor within the last 3 years. No more than 5 hours can be in administrative activities.
Resident Camp Director and Program Director: Complete the online “NCAP assessor training” module that can be found on the BSA learn center through my.scouting.org and also complete Unlawful Harassment training

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.

The H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation will have a trading post at National Camping School where you will have an opportunity to purchase camp merchandise and snack food items. National Supply will not have a trading post at National Camping School this year.

Also download:  Directions & Map

Equipment List of “What to Bring”
Personal Resource Questionnaire (Bring completed form with you to camp.)
Medical Form