



Date: March 21st, 2024
To: National Camping School Participant
From: Sheryl Oakman, NCS Course Director (sheryl.oakman@yahoo.com)
Subject: Welcome to National Camping School (Fargo, ND)

Congratulations, your National Camping School application has been received! On behalf of the faculty, we look forward to serving you at Jon Wanzek Center for Scouting (Fargo, ND) in May. The following information will help you prepare for NCS, please read carefully.

Critical information about your National Camping School participation

LOCATION:

Northern Lights Council
Jon Wanzek Center for Scouting
4200 19th SW Avenue
Fargo, ND 58103

DATES/TIMES:

May 4-5, 2024 (Classes begin on May 4th at 8 am and conclude on May 5th at 1 pm)

CHECK-IN:

Please report to the Jon Wanzek Center for Scouting for check-in no later than 8:00 am on Saturday May 4th, 2024. Any NCS registration-related questions may be directed to the BSA National Office by emailing NCS@scouting.org. Please wear your BSA Field Uniform at check-in.

You will need the following documents at check-in:

- ✓ Proof of current BSA membership (BSA Membership Card)
- ✓ Youth Protection Training - Certificate of Completion
- ✓ Cub Scout Leader Specifics Training - Certificate of Completion
- ✓ Fundamentals of Cub Scout Day Camp Online Course - Certificate of Completion (CS – 62)
- ✓ Local Council Guided Cub Scout Day Camp Training - Pocket Training Certificate (CS – 63)
- ✓ BSA Annual Health & Medical Record (Parts A & B)

Note: Per National policy, we are unable to certify anyone who does not provide the above pre-requisite documents.

ACCOMODATIONS:

A special rate of \$112.50/night at **Wingate by Wyndham – Fargo** (address below) has been arranged by the local host council (this is for the night of May 4th only). **To reserve a room at this discounted price, please call 833-448-0881. You must mention that you are with the Northern Lights Council to get the rate.** All hotel fees are the responsibility of the participant and are not included in your National Camping School registration fee.

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HOTEL ADDRESS:

Wingate by Wyndham – Fargo
4429 19th Ave SW
Fargo, ND 58103

EARLY ARRIVALS:

If you need hotel accommodations for Friday, May 3rd, please contact the Wingate by Wyndham directly. The hotel does provide a free breakfast buffet. NOTE: Your first course-provided meal will be lunch on Saturday. No activities are planned for early arrivals as the staff are busy with class preparations.

2024 NATIONAL DAY CAMP THEME:

Outdoor Adventure

DRESS CODE:

National Camping School graduates set the example when it comes to wearing the right uniform at the right time in camp. BSA Field Uniform will be required for meals, formations, and campfire programs. BSA Activity Uniform will be worn at all other times. Please be sure to bring enough BSA Activity Uniform polos or t-shirts to get you through the weekend.

[CLICK HERE for the Cub Scouts/Scouts BSA Uniform Inspection Sheet](#)

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP:

Here is a sample list of the items that we recommend you bring to National Camping School.

- ✓ Samples of your local council's day camp promotional materials, staff manuals, camp literature, registration forms, schedules, for display or giveaway (no copying/printing services are available at NCS).
- ✓ Theme related costume items (what would someone wear when exploring the great outdoors?)
- ✓ Interesting crafts or activity ideas to share
- ✓ Notepad
- ✓ Pencil or Pen
- ✓ BSA Field Uniform
- ✓ (2-3) BSA Activity Uniform Shirts (Polos or T-Shirts)
- ✓ Toiletries
- ✓ Suitable footwear/socks (not every activity will be in the classroom)
- ✓ Coat/Jacket
- ✓ Gloves
- ✓ Hat
- ✓ Umbrella
- ✓ Cell Phone
- ✓ Laptop Computer

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VISITORS:

Please do not plan to have visitors or additional attendees such as spouses or children. Only participants and faculty are permitted on property while the course is in session.

NATIONAL CAMPING SCHOOL TRADING POST:

While National Supply will not have a trading post at National Camping School, you can preview and purchase NCS items at the following website:

<https://www.scoutshop.org/shop-by-scout/special-collections/national-camp-school.html>

Items purchased from National Supply will be shipped directly to your home.

As a member of your council's Cub Scout Day Camp leadership team, you will be providing youth with an experience that they will remember for the rest of their lives. Thank you for making the decision to attend National Camping School.

Yours in Scouting,

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