

2026 Critical Details on National Camping School Participation

Course Site:

Naish Scout Reservation
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Dates: April 18-19, 2025

Theme: Dinos!

Course times:

The adventure begins at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 18 and ends approx. 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 19.

Weather:

Temperatures will be high in the 60's-70's and low in 30's-40's. Be prepared for cool mornings and warm afternoons, as well as some outdoor activities. Weather in the Kansas City area is unpredictable and can change in a matter of hours. Please "Be Prepared".

Early arrivals:

For an additional fee of \$55.00*, you may arrive the night before, please make it after 7:00 p.m. and before 10:00 p.m. This fee covers lodging Friday evening and breakfast on Saturday. This fee does NOT cover a meal on Friday night. FYI: No activities are planned for early arrivals as the staff are busy with preparations.

Before You Arrive at NCS:

- Take the online NCS course Foundations of Cub Scout Day Camp (CS-62) and the in-person Council led NCS course (CS-63). Don't forget to complete the other pre-requisites: Safeguarding Youth Training and Cub Scout Leader Position Specifics training.
- Please utilize the [Scouting America pre-event medical screening form](#) and elect to stay home if you are ill, or you have been in close contact with someone who is ill.

What to Bring to Camp:

- Proof of Scouting America registration & prerequisite online training courses (Safeguarding Youth Training, Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training, Foundations of Cub Day Camp Online Training, and In-Council Day Camp Training). Emailing these to the course director will shorten check in time.
- Your completed [Scouting America health form](#) (parts A and B) – please bring this, and not email it.
- Samples of your council's day camp promotional materials, staff manuals, or other camp literature, registration forms, schedules, etc., for display or giveaway. Make copies for at least 20 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 [Scouting America Outfitters](#)

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.
- Pillow, Bed Linens (sleeping bag works very well), Toiletries, towel, washcloth, soap, shampoo, etc.
- Warm sleepwear, perhaps “long johns” or sweats.
- Coat, jacket, suitable footwear/socks, gloves, hat, umbrella and or rain gear
- Camera (Take photos of the displays and show others back home what can be done!)
- Cell phone coverage at this site is generally good, but can be spotty (camp phones restricted to emergencies)

What to Expect and What Is Expected:

- Arrive rested. Be prepared for concentration, participation, and fun! Days last from early morning to late at night.
- Be prepared for Dorm style - indoor housing with mattresses. Please bring your own bedding (sleeping bags work very well). We will be utilizing our Training Center for housing and for the course with indoor shower and toilet facilities.
- **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.**
- To focus on the learning, please leave the distractions of life behind: family, children, pets, job, etc. There are no accommodations for anyone but registered participants.
- 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.

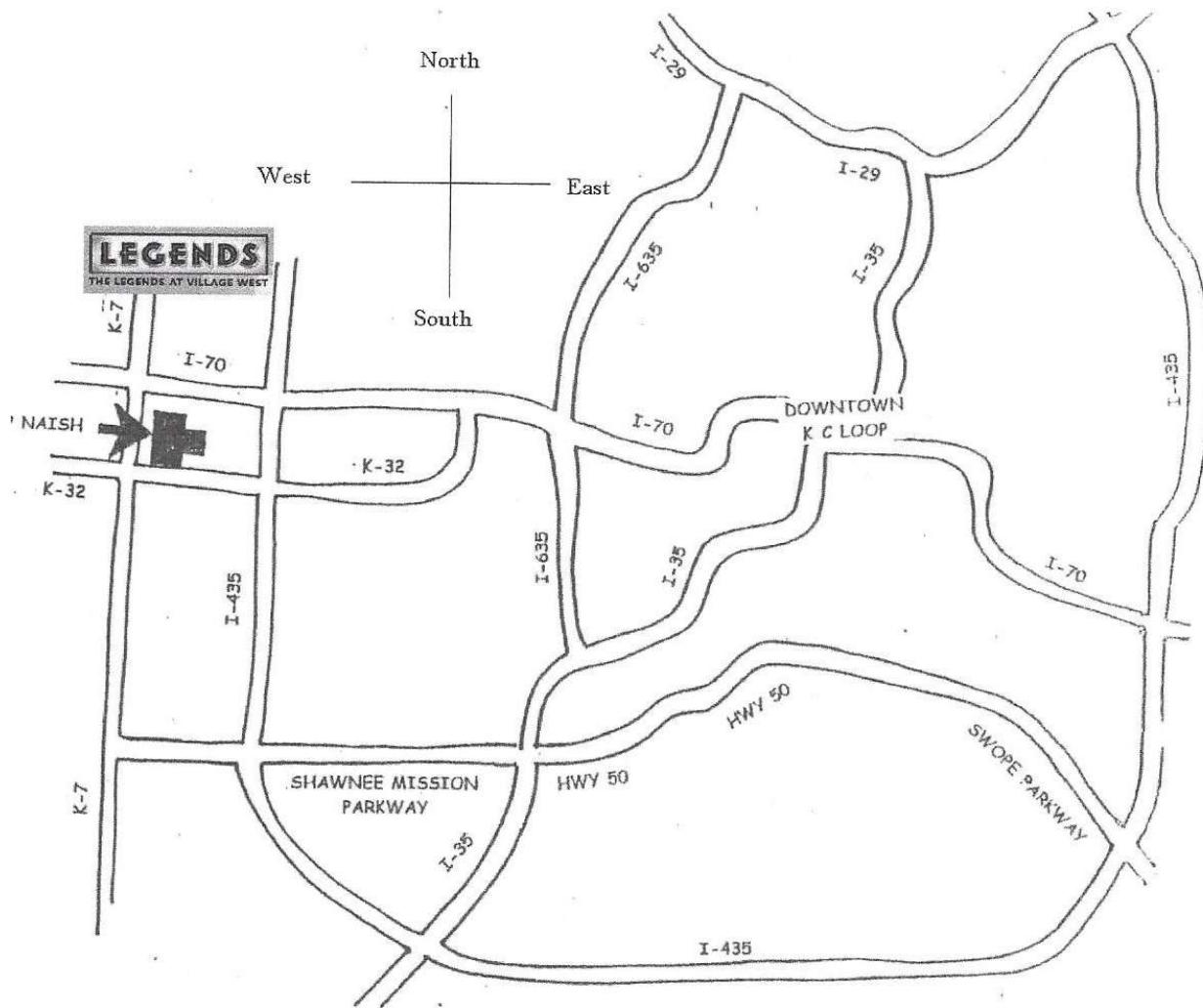
As a member of your council's day camp leadership team, you will be providing Scouts with an experience that they will remember the rest of their lives. Thank you for making the decision to attend National Camping School.

Yours in Scouting,

Jeff Tyler
NCS Course Director
Cell 816-505-2015 (texting is good)

**The early arrival fee is handled through your local council. You may or may not be expected to cover it personally.*

Directions to the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation



The Theodore Naish Scout Reservation is located 5 miles from the junction of I-435 and K-32. The address of the reservation is 1100 Martinek Lane, Kansas City, Kansas 66111. The Naish Scout Reservation is between K-7 and 435, and North of K-32.

From 435: Take 435, to K-32 (K-32 exit is South of the I-70/Legends interchange). Exit K-32 and go WEST (right) on K-32 to 121st Street. Turn North (RIGHT) on 121st Street and follow the winding road to the entrance of Naish Scout Reservation.

From K-7. Go NORTH on K-7 to the K-7/K-32 Junction. Go EAST on K-32 to 121st Street. Turn LEFT on 121st Street and follow the winding road to the entrance of Naish Scout Reservation.

You can get door to door driving directions from most internet directions sites.