

Greetings,

You are receiving this email because you are registered for the Program Section at the National Camping School held at Ten Mile River on June 1-7. (If you believe this is an error, please let me know ASAP so I can help you get this corrected.)

My name is Chris Castillo, and I am serving as the Program Section Director. I want to share some important information with you before you arrive. Please read all the way through to the end and email or call me with any questions.

Before coming to National Camping School

Please read [this Welcome Letter](#), which gives specific details about arrival, housing, and the medical form. Make sure you bring a complete [Annual Health and Medical Record](#), including a doctor's signature on Part C from within the past 12 months. Bring a copy and keep the original version at home—TMR will keep your medical, as per New York State regulation.

In addition to your medical, you should bring a copy of your BSA registration card and proof of completion of both NCAP Assessor Training and Unlawful Harassment Prevention Training. You can download a copy of your BSA registration card from my.scouting.org. NCAP Assessor Training is available online [here](#), and Unlawful Harassment Prevention Training is available online [here](#).

Arrival at Ten Mile River

You should plan to arrive at Ten Mile River (Camp Keowa) between 9:00 am and 11:00 am on Saturday, June 1, unless you have already arranged to arrive early. You will have some time to bring your gear to the campsite before lunch, and I will ask you to fill out a Personal Resource Questionnaire (PRQ) and do a brief check-in interview. You may either fill out the attached PRQ and bring it with you, or fill it out when you arrive and check in with me.

The Equipment List posted at <https://tenmileriver.org/ncs/> (scroll to the bottom of the page) has general supplies that you should bring at the top, plus specialized supplies listed below by section. Please also bring a Hawaiian shirt Luau Night! While a majority of our time will be in a “classroom” setting, we will be walking around camp to visit the program areas throughout the week, so be sure to bring comfortable footwear.

Expectations

The expectation is that you will wear the official BSA uniform throughout the week: Field Uniform (formerly “class A”, including shirt, shorts/pants, belt, socks) during check-in, mealtimes, and campwide programs, and Activity Uniform (formerly “class B”, where the uniform shirt is replaced by a Scouting T-shirt or polo, or old camp staff shirt) the rest of the time. If you have questions about uniforms or uniforming, please ask.

Finally, you should be prepared for a busy week! National Camping School is an intense experience. Our time together is valuable and the schedule is very full with more than 50 hours of scheduled instruction, so there is very little free time. We start each day by leading the flag ceremony before breakfast and conclude by hosting activities during cracker barrel in the evening, with a full day of instruction and activities in between. There is a lot to learn, but (if we’re doing it correctly) we will also have some good fun along the way.

Summary

Remember to bring the following with you when you arrive to ensure a smooth check-in:

- Medical form with parts A, B and C – TMR will keep this
- Copy of BSA registration
- NCAP Assessor Training proof of completion
- Unlawful Harassment Prevention training proof of completion
- Personal Resource Questionnaire

Please email or call me if you have any questions or if you have any special needs. I'm looking forward to meeting you in a couple weeks!

Yours in Scouting,

Chris

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