



To: FFA Advisors

From: Carmen Bracey, State FFA Coordinator

RE: NC FFA Wildlife Camp

The North Carolina FFA Center is excited to offer the 6<sup>th</sup> annual mini-camp! The North Carolina FFA Wildlife Camp will be offered the weekend of September 16-18, 2022, at the NC FFA Center at White Lake. The purpose of this event is to give FFA students across the state a hands-on learning environment in a variety of areas of wildlife, resources conservation, and careers in the field.

Courses and training will be provided by certified instructors from the NC Wildlife Resources Commission and related organizations.

NC FFA Wildlife Camp's primary goals are to:

- Increase safety, awareness, and appreciation of wildlife among youth in agriculture through hands-on learning and experiences.
- To instill values such as integrity, respect, responsibility, and commitment in wildlife and resource management.

The North Carolina FFA Wildlife Camp is designed for participants ***that have completed the North Carolina Hunter Education Certification. Participating students are requested to have completed and passed the basic hunter education course.***

#### **Tentative Session Topics:**

- Singletary Lake State Park canoe trip (max 20 per session)
- Shotgun with CP White/Chase Luker
- Fly Tying with Pechmann Staff
- Fish Survey Shock Boat
- Trapping with Bo Benton
- Farming for Wildlife with Bill Ellis/QU
- Outdoor Cooking with Bebe/Lois
- Taxidermy with Steve Guyton
- Bowfishing with Lee Scripture
- \*Boating Safety with Enforcement
- Deer/Turkey Hunting with Deet
- Waterfowl Conservation with DU
- Geocaching with Sydney Brown
- Decoy Carving with Chase Luker
- Mammals & Reptiles with Becka Skiba
- Trail Cameras with Casey Williams
- Crossbow with Lee Scripture

*\* Boating Safety with enforcement students must have completed a Boating Safety course and each session will be limited to appr 15 students per session*

## Registration & Payment

Registration fees are \$100 per student and \$100 per advisor/chaperone, which include the cost of all materials, meals, and a t-shirt.

Link for registration: [2022 Wildlife Camp Registration](#)

Registration deadline: August 29, 2022, or until full (100 participants)

\*\*Shirt sizes received after August 29 may not be guaranteed.

An invoice will be emailed to you upon completion of the registration form. Payments should be mailed to NC FFA Center, NCSU Box 7654, Raleigh, NC 27695-7654 prior to your arrival to the NC FFA Center. Payments should be received in Raleigh by September 12, 2022. Please **do not** bring payment to camp.

## What do we need to bring to camp?

A signed camp [waiver](#) is required for each student to participate in Wildlife Camp. Please bring these forms with you to the FFA Center to turn in at check-in.

Students and advisors/chaperones will be staying in the boys cabins and girls dorms and should plan to bring the following: toiletries (soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush, etc.), towels, sheets, blanket, and a pillow. **Note: there will be no lodge rooms available for advisors during Wildlife Camp.**

Other items to bring include sunglasses, fan, clothes, shorts, pants, rain gear, sweatshirt, windbreaker, tennis shoes, flip flops, swimsuit, flashlight, bug spray, sunscreen. Spending money may be needed for travel to and from Wildlife Camp, but the camp store will not be operational during Wildlife Camp.

Please do not bring any supplies or equipment for the workshops. All instructional and demonstration materials will be provided.

**No tobacco products are permitted.** The NC FFA Tobacco Use Policy will be in effect during this event. This means that tobacco products, Juuls, e-cigarettes, and vapes are not to be used at any time at the NC FFA Center.

## What is the physical address of the NC FFA Center?

1247 Hwy 53 East, Elizabethtown, NC 28337

# Tentative Schedule

## **Friday, September 16**

3:00-5:30 Check in

6:00-7:00 Dinner

7:00-8:30 Opening Session (Camp Rules/Cell Phone Usage/Safety Briefing/Ice Breaker/ Welcome from Mrs. Carissa Daniels, NCWRC Outreach Manager / Guest Speaker, Wildlife Enforcement Recruitment and John Henry Harrelson, District 4 Wildlife Biologist/CWD)

8:30-10:00 Recreation time, mixer, & campfire

9:00 Guys & Girls Talk

10:30 Reflections

11:00 Lights Out

## **Saturday, September 17**

7:00 Wake Up & Reflections

7:30 Breakfast

8:00 Small Group Break Outs

10:00 Small Group Break Outs

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:15 Small Group Break Outs

3:15 Small Group Break Outs

5:00 Wildlife Contests (Prizes!!!!)

Duck Calling Competition

5:30-7:00 Wildlife Banquet & Welcome and Remarks with Carissa Daniels

7:00-8:00 Keynote Session Mr. Kevin Kinlaw

8:30-10:00 Social & Campfire S'mores!

10:30 Reflections

11:00 Lights Out

## **Sunday, September 18**

7:00 Wake Up & Reflections

7:30 Breakfast

8:00-9:45 Small Group Breakout Outs

10:00-10:15 Hunting Laws, Rules and Regulations with local Wildlife Officers

10:15-11:00 Conference Closing Session (Conference Slide Show/Staff Thank you/Group Certificates)