

TSG 1: Nov 10-12, 2023 / Astronomy Camp

Location: BK Acres

(Coordinates: 35.039471, -96.672454)

Friday (Sunset 5:26pm):

- 4:00pm+: Arrival: Pitch Camp,
- 5:00 pm: Start fire
- 8:45pm: Campfire Orientation
- 9:00pm: S'Mores
- 9:15pm: Rosary
- 10:00pm: Lights out / **SILENCE PLEASE**

Saturday (Sunrise 6:58am / Sunset 5:25pm):

- 6:45am: Reveille
- 7:15am: Morning prayers / Raise the Colors - Pledge of Allegiance
- 7:30am: Breakfast (all dads & cadets to assist – prep/cleanup)
- 8:45am: Morning Hike (includes Stations of the Cross)
- 11:00am: Knots Workshop
- 12:00pm: Angelus & Break for Lunch
- 1:00pm: Gun Safety & Range Time
- 3:00pm: Holy Hour - Divine Mercy Chaplet, Faith Achievement Workshop, Father & Son Stroll
- 4:00pm: Flag Disassembly
- 5:00pm: Dinner Prep
- 5:25pm: Lower the Colors
- 6:00pm: Flag Retirement
- 7:00pm: Night Hike Rosary to Astronomy Site
- 10:45pm: Hike Back to Camp
- 11:00pm: Lights out / **SILENCE PLEASE**

Sunday (Sunrise 6:59am):

- 7:00am: Reveille
- 7:30am: Morning prayers
- 7:45am: Breakfast: Easy
- 8:00am: Clean up, Pack up Troop Stuff
- 8:30am: Pack personal stuff
- 9:00am: Everyone to Assist Walking the Line (trash duty)
- 9:30am: Camp Officially Ends - Mass at home **OR AT:**
- 11:30am: St Francis Xavier Catholic Church / (OTWH)
1313 E 7th St, Sulphur, OK 73086 (Amazing priest celebrates N.O. Ad Orientum!!!)

Written Directions (includes toll - if you have a TX Toll Tag it works)):

35E North to exit 51 - Turner Falls / Davis

East on US-77 to Davis

Rt on Hwy 7 E (South)

Left on Chickasaw Turnpike (mail toll)

Left on OK-1 E

Rt Loop exit onto US 377 North

Rt on Old State Hwy 99 (look for TSG sign on rt at turn)

Rt on first dirt road to gate (look for TSG sign on rt at gate)

CLOSEST HOSPITALS:

Mercy Emergency Department - Ada

(580) 332-2323

430 N Monte Vista St, Ada, OK 74820

ER / SSM Health St. Anthony Hospital - Seminole

405-303-4000 Option 4

2401 W Wrangler Blvd, Seminole, OK 74868

GENERAL FRIDAY EVENING CAMP – BRIEFING AT CAMPFIRE:

- ✓ Safety:
 - Snakes: Pay Attention! Use extreme caution when lifting logs and rocks!
 - Watch out for poison ivy (vines w/out leaves can still be a problem)
 - Fire: only seniors to feed fire with permission – sticks on fire stay in fire (all seniors to monitor juniors) – no trash
 - Knives/axes/hatchets: walking with knife open – blood circle – seniors exceptions with adult present (No knife throwing)
 - Emergencies: Munster Memorial Hospital (see Map – coordinates: 33.653719, -97.379881)
 - 2-men rule (if the cadet is not yours, go with another dad)
 - 3 seniors rule (Safety protocol - 1 to stay with injured, 1 to seek help)
 - Latrines at night: with adult for latrines, alone behind tent ok for light duty
 - If you must leave camp area (seniors: it is a privilege that can be revoked), let an officer know and agree on a return time – be cognizant of posted schedule
- ✓ Neatness:
 - LEAVE NO TRACE: pick up trash, especially if yours, but any trash you see – push offense if leave trash behind!
 - Keep your tent area and fire pit area neat
 - Keep track of your stuff. Please, no lost & found. Use marker.
 - Common problem: “a” mess kit is not necessarily “your” mess kit. If something was borrowed, clean it and return it.
 - Latrines:
 - cadets latrine vs. adults latrine
 - #2 only, #1 is for the trees
 - Sawdust to help control odors
 - Clean up behind yourself if unable...
 - Be responsible and courteous - if getting full or if thin on TP you take care of it
- ✓ General:
 - Politeness: yes Sir, no Sir. Do not arrive or depart without saluting your officers
 - Do not interrupt adults unless someone is bleeding or something is on fire
 - Kindness and Charity first!
 - Any adult can give push-ups
 - Any adult can confiscate a knife and give it to the cadet’s dad (after 1 warning if light offense)
 - Have fun! “A Saint who’s sad is a sad Saint”

Campout Reminders

- Friday- eat on the way to the camp location or pack some prepared food to eat there – No Dinner Supplied on Friday nights (other than S'Mores)
- **DADS SIGN THE WAIVER UPON ARRIVAL, PLEASE**

Suggested items for this campout

1. **RED LIGHT** (no white light flashlight or combos will be permitted Saturday night)
2. Field Manual or print out of Knots section in Officer’s Manual if don’t have FM
3. Guns if you like (cadets will be supplied BB guns and 22lr)
4. Cool weather gear (just in case, temps: night 48-51, day 57-63)
5. Canteen/water bottle for hike
6. Desire to have fun

