

CAMP SHANDS

SUMMER GUIDE

2026

CELEBRATING 250 YEARS OF FREEDOM!



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CAMP AT A GLANCE

Facilities
to beat the heat!
FREE ice delivered daily

Screened Pavillions w/
power

Cell Service & Wifi
Camp-Wide

We're
celebrating the
country's big 250 all
Summer long! Come
join us!!

Temperatures
in the High 80's by
day and mid to low
70's by night

Camp Shands can be
the Portal to your Florid-
ian Adventure, short drives
to the parks in Orlando to the
spring fed lazy rivers and
sandy beaches Florida is
famous for!

We are Camp Shands!

We are a nationally accredited Scouts BSA camp with a top notch Aquatics Center fashioned with 2 enormous slides and a massive lake there's an aquatic activity for everyone. We focus on having a safe and fun program. Our program has been revamped to balance fun and advancement! The morning is for merit badges and the afternoons are for adventure! Come join the fun this Summer at Camp Shands!

Merit Badge Class Selection opens

Dec 29th 2025!!!!



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WHY FLAMINGOS?



Born in the time after the pandemic shutdown, Scoutus Spiritus Flamingis also known simply as Gerald. Now don't let Gerald fool you by his pink charm he can be one of the pickiest creatures. He feeds off of Scout spirit but only flocks to the strongest of Scout Spirits and rewards those with his presence. We have a daily foster program for units who can earn the right to care for and decorate Gerald. By the end of the week Gerald chooses which unit he wants to adopt them.

Gerald the Spirit Flamingo is a camp favorite!

Do you dare to Gerald?



CAMP FEES

WEEKS OF CAMP

WEEK 1 **JUNE 14-JUNE 20**

WEEK 2 **JUNE 21-JUNE 27**

WEEK 3 **JULY 5-JULY 11**

PRICING SCHEDULE

Early Bird

Ends Dec. 31, 2025

\$375 per Scout

\$400 per Provo

Regular

Ends April 30, 2026

\$425 per Scout

\$450 per Provo

Late

\$475 per Scout

\$500 per Provo

Unit Deposit \$300

Provo Deposit \$50

Deposits are Non-Refundable

LEADERS FEE

\$125 per adult

\$150 per adult (Late)

or

Scouts 8 Special!

One free adult for every
8 paid Scouts.



MULTI-WEEK DISCOUNT!

Scouts who attend more
than one week will
receive \$25 off each
additional week they
register!

*Contact Camp Director
to arrange discount.*

CAMPERSHIPS

Limited funds are available to
Scouts and their families in North
Florida Council. Applications are
available North Florida's website,
nfcScouting.org.

**Applications must be received
before April 1, 2026**

PAYMENTS

Payments are payable to,

NFC, BSA

521 S. Edgewood Ave
Jacksonville, FL 32205

Online Payments can be made by
going to ***CampShands.org***.

PRE-ORDERS

Using our registration system you can pre-order your favorite camp goods, ready for pick-up during check-in!

Choose options like:

Trading Post Gift Cards

2026 T-shirts

Find out more on CampShands.org when registering!

Pre-orders must be made by one week before arrival to camp to ensure orders can be fulfilled.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Camp Shands will provide a trained Provisional Scoutmaster for both male and female Scouts during each traditional week of camp. Our goal is to provide the Scouts with a troop-like experience, incorporating PLC elections, ideal campsite, and more!



PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

Getting Set-up in Tentaroo

Tentaroo is our one stop shop to registering for camp. Here you can make payments, select add-ons, make class selections and changes. Tentaroo is where campsite assignments and post camp reports are found too. To set up your Tentaroo account click here; [Tentaroo get started guide](#)

Payments & Payment Plans

In order to begin program selection unit accounts must be paid in full. The other option is to establish a payment plan with Camping Director, Eli Rivera. (See Contact Us page)

Program Selection

Opening Dec. 29th, 2025 class selection will become available for all weeks! In order to begin accounts must be paid in full or on established payment plan. In order to lock-in the selections made you must "Check-Out" the cart. Changes can be made up until one week before unit arrival. Any additional changes can be made on site during check-in.

Registration changes close one week prior to your arrival!

Any additional changes can be completed during check-in.

Program Changes at Camp

Scouts with an adult leader can come to the Ames Office for program changes. Monday evening is the last opportunity for a Scout to change their schedule for the week.

Campsite Assignments

Units may make requests for their preferred campsite however due to numerous factors we cannot guarantee the site requested will be the site assigned. Site assignments are finalized one week out from the unit's arrival. The site will be posted in Tentaroo on the unit's event home page for camp.

Early Arrivals

During registration you can choose the early arrival option. Units may bring their own food or camp may provide meals at the following rates per person (Dinner \$12, Lunch \$10, and Breakfast \$7).

- Upon arrival units must check in with the camp staff at the Ames office.
- All program areas are closed until the start of program Monday. This includes the waterfront and aquatics center. Please respect the staff quarters.
- Sports field, fish camp, and nature trails are all open for use during early arrival. Scouts be sure to bring a buddy!

ARRIVAL DAY & CHECK IN

Be Prepared

The Unit Leader must bring the following to check in:

- Health forms for ALL participants which includes parts A, B, & C.
(Make sure forms are dated within the a year, parent, and physcian's signature is present, and all dietary restrictions, and prescribed medication is listed.)
- Any program changes or fees that need to be reconciled.
- A roster of all youth and leaders.
- Permission Slips

Check-in runs from 1p-3p

One week out from arrival campsite assignments will be updated in Tentaroo. The contact in Tentaroo will also receive an email with assigned campsite and check-in time.

Units park in the Meninak Parking Lot and head toward the Meninak Lodge!

1. Units will be greeted by members of the staff and assigned a guide to take the unit on a tour across camp!
2. Leaders branch off to corresponding stations to turn in medical forms, permission slips and make any class changes.
3. While waiting Scouts can check out the trading post
4. Units remerge and tour the camp with their guide. Stops include assigned campsite to unload, aquatics center for swim tests, and program areas.

@4:15p SPL and Scoutmaster Meeting in the

Swim Tests

- Scouts and Adult leaders wishing to use aqautic facilities must undergo BSA Standardized Swim Classification Tests to be categorized as a Non-Swimmer, Beginer, or Swimmer.
- Swim tests may be done in the aquatics center or waterfront.
- The Aquatics Director has the discretion to re-test participants as necessary.

New Scouting America Standard as of July 2025:

Swim tests are no longer transferable between different events or locations.

CHECK OUT

Beginning at 7am Saturday morning the Ames Lodge (Admin Building) will open up. Unit leaders are welcome to come grab their packets which include everyone's advancements, awards, camp patches, and medical forms from the week. Before leaving we highly recommend reviewing paperwork to ensure everything is ship shape. We are human and mistakes do happen. Mistakes are much easier to fix on site before your departure. Once ready to leave please let a Camp Commissioner know so they can complete a campsite inspection. Before leaving be sure to also complete and drop-off your camp survey as feedback is a gift!

Note:

- ***Any Units planning to leave before 7am Saturday the advancement report will not be ready before that time.*** Stop by the Ames Lodge to pick-up medical forms and camp patches.
- Advancement reports show any completed merit badges and will show any completed requirements if a partial. We do not have physical blue cards, if this is an issue please contact the Program Director in advance prior to camp for help.



DINING HALL

Shands Dining

The Taylor Dining Hall is a full service food facility located north of the chapel. It is capable of feeding 500 Scouts and leaders a week. A state licensed dietitian has reviewed the menus for a balanced meal that is nutritious and portioned just right for every Scout and leader. Your unit will go directly to the Taylor during your assigned time and enjoy your meal in air-conditioned comfort!

Dietary Restrictions

Camp Shands can provide substitutions or alternative menus for participants with religious or medical reasons only. We cannot offer special diets because of lifestyles of participants. We recommend campers bring supplements in the event our menu does not suit their liking. We are not able to provide alternate food for other restrictions; or if a participant has multiple of the restrictions above. However, we will store and serve all food that is brought for participants who have additional dietary restrictions.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR DIETARY RESTRICTIONS

Please submit your preference using the form which can be found online at campshands.org. Every participant must have their own form. **Please complete the dietary form on Campshands.org at least two weeks prior to arrival when such needs exist.**

Sample Menu

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BREAKFAST		BISCUITS W/GRAVY SAUSAGE	FRENCH TOAST SAUSAGE HASHBROWN	BREAKFAST BURRITO HASHBROWN	BISCUITS W/GRAVY SAUSAGE	FRENCH TOAST SAUSAGE HASHBROWN	TO GO BREAKFAST
LUNCH		HAMBURGER FRENCH FRIES COOKIE	BEAN BURRITO NACHO CHIPS COOKIE	FISH STICKS FRENCH FRIES COOKIE	BBQ SANDWICH TATOR TOTS COOKIE	TURKEY WRAP STRING CHEESE COOKIE	
DINNER	TACOS W/ BEANS RICE PUDDING	CHICKEN POT PIE ROLL CAKE	SPAGHETTI BROCCOLI ROLL BROWNIE	PORK ROAST POTATOES CORN ROLL CAKE	HAM POTATOES CORN ROLL BROWNIE	LASAGNA BROCCOLI ROLL PUDDING	

Note: This is a sample menu, there may be changes due to availability from local suppliers.

Special Requests

We strive to provide the needs of our guests, and every camp is different. For best service please contact us directly. If via email, for fastest response please specify which camp and program you're attending and include details of your request.

Camp Shands understands you may need accommodations to better enjoy your stay, such as:

- Accommodations for wheelchairs or other disabilities
- Inadequate unit leadership
- Golf carts or UTVs (**Must have Camp Director approval PRIOR to arrival**)

CAMPING

Our campsites are the heart of our program. We want your experience at your campsite to be a relaxing one. This is why at Camp Shands we have constructed screened in pavilions that include sleeping quarters for adult leaders (Sleeps 8 w/2 bunk beds in each room), ceiling fans help beat the heat, and electrical outlets to power everything from coffee to your favorite electronics!

We are happy to consider requests for specific campsites, however, there, are many factors when assigning sites. Please understand some sites may have more than one unit assigned which means leaders and Scouts may be asked to share with another unit.

Every campsite* has the following:

- Accommodates up to 40 Scouts and 12 Leaders. ***For units smaller than 40/12 be prepared to share a campsite with additional unit(s).***
- Screened Nylon Platform tents. (Breathable and keeps the bugs away!)
- Two jumbo-sized cots per Scout tent.
- “Rainproof” coverings for every tent.
- Latrine and water fountains.

*Refer to page 13 for Tree house information



TREE HOUSES

Ever wondered what it might be like to live like Tarzan? Live among the trees of the Shands Forest in Fort Hart Tree houses! Within Ft. Hart there are four tree houses with beds for up to eight Scouts. Each tree house has ample room for storage and electricity for phones and fans! Reservations for this unique site goes faster than a Scout on a sugar rush! ***Get your reservation in as soon as possible. Treehouses are an additional \$25 per Scout staying in the site. Treehouses are available to Units to reserve only.***



TRADING POST

One section of the Meninak Lodge is our Trading Post! This store is packed full of crafts, t-shirts, souvenirs, camping supplies, and so much more. Load up on all your Camp Shands branded memorabilia. This store even has concessions! From Pizza, to nachos, candy, ice cream, slushies, soda and all sorts of other delights that Scouts can indulge in. Stop by the trading post to find our hours! Recommend Scouts bring \$50 or purchase a Camp Shands gift card online during registration for spending money during the week.

Note: Giftcards purchased are used exclusively for Camp Shands Summer Program and are not transferable to other camps or events.



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Merit badges are important at Camp Shands, but keep in mind there many other activities in the camp that are beneficial for Scouts. At camp, the staff is committed to delivering quality merit badge sessions where Scouts complete the requirements as stated. Our goal is that Scouts have fun and learn at the same time. Some of our pre-requisites are written work or items that can be completed at home prior to camp. The online camp registration system is used for class sign ups and rosters. This is the best way to get your Scouts signed up for the merit badges that they want to take. Camp management will be using this system, and making schedule adjustments where necessary.

Scoutmaster note: Merit badges can be age specific. Younger Scouts should not enroll in merit badge sessions until they are academically and physically ready to succeed in completing them. Some examples are Shotgun, Lifesaving, and Citizenship Merit Badges.

**Merit Badge Selections Open for Registration:
Dec. 29th, 2025!!!**

The Camp Office Team will be available all day long to help answer questions and guide you through the registration process. Remember in order to lock-in your selections you MUST check-out your cart!

In order to start class selection you MUST be paid in full for camp. Units un-able to be paid in full open registration can contact Eli Rivera, Camping Director at Eli.Rivera@scouting.org or call (904) 589-5754 to set-up an arrangement.

Program Webpage

For a more detailed overview of each program, merit badge, including costs and pre-requisites check out the Camp Shands Program Webpage!

Program Completion Reports

At the end of the week at camp, we will provide your unit with a printed, individual summary report of all merit badge classes attended and the status of completion.

We do not issue physical Merit Badge Blue Cards.

Program Sessions

Scouts get the best of both worlds between advancement and fun! In the morinig, Scouts have four sessions to register for a variety of merit badges and advancement opputunities. In the afternoon after lunch adventure time begins where Scouts can explore the wonders of camp from range activites to aquatics, and climbing!

CAMP SCHEDULE

Time	SUN Welcome Day	MON Star Spangled Banner Day	TUE OA Day	WED Island Vibes Day	THUR USA Rewind	FRI Flamingo Friday	SAT Depart Day
7:30	Welcome to camp, keep an eye on remind for updates and changes!	Breakfast A					Breakfast
8:05		Assembly					7am pick-up
8:15		Breakfast B					
9:00		Period 1 (9:00-9:45)					MB Pick Up
10:00		Period 2 (10:00-10:45)					7am
							*Field Uniforms recommended
11:00		Period 3 (11:00-11:45)					
12:00		Period 4 (12:00-12:45)					
1:00	Check-In 1p-3p	Lunch					
2:15		Siesta Time (1:55p-2:55p)					
	SM/SPL Meeting @GBB						**BP Marathon starts at Meninak Flag Pole
4:15		Adventure Time (3p-5p)					
5:15	Dinner A						
6:05	Assembly*						
6:15	Dinner B						
	Opening Campfire* @8pm	USA Block Party	Pow-Wow* @7pm	BP Marathon** @7:30p Movie @8:00p	Grass Roots Night	Closing Campfire* @8pm	
10:00	Lights Out!						

Note: Schedule is subject to change base on population at camp. ex. For smaller weeks will have one meal time versus two.

New Programs

Siesta Time

The name says it all! Enjoy time for a mid-afternoon nap, relax under the shade, inspect those eyelids! This time is all about refreshing and resetting in preparation of a busy rest of the day!

Adventure Time

The camp is yours to explore! With program areas open to enjoy all things fun! Some may host meritbadges as others will offer unique activities and fun at camp! Wanna learn more? Check out the program webpage for adventures coming soon to camp! Keep checking as more pop-up the closer camp begins!

USA Block Party

Celebrate an American classic! Camp Shands version of a block party will include opening of the rifle range and extreme course with the epicenter of the party will be at the Aquatic's center. Enjoy an evening of swimming, music, games, and more!

GRASS ROOTS Night

Take a step back into nature with a night hike into the forests of camp, use your hands to make a one of kind creation, and take to the skies climbing NE Florida's tallest climbing tower!

JUST FOR LEADERS

“A Scout deserves a trained leader.” We are offering a variety of opportunities to develop your skills and knowledge as a leader. We understand the sacrifice every adult makes to be at camp with their Scouts and we do what we can to help make your time here enjoyable and productive as possible.

Trainings & Activities

Scoutmaster Specifics
Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills
Salty Sailor (Open Boating)

Swimming Water Rescue
Paddle Craft Safety
Adult Open Swims

See Program Webpage for current offerings!



Service Projects/Guest Instructors

We are always in need of your expertise, whether it is for improvements to a facility or instructing a special merit badge class. Let us know your talents and interests!

Leader Lounge

This is a place for leaders only and is off limits to Scouts. We offer FREE air conditioning, restrooms, coffee, and best of all WIFI! Be sure to pack your favorite device to kick back and relax in the Scout-less paradise of the leader lounge.

Leader Appreciation Dinner

The North Florida Council will recognize all leaders who come to camp for their commitment to the Scouting program with a **catered dinner served every Tuesday evening**. There will be an informal session with the Scout Executive to provide feedback, catered dinner, then make a splash in the aquatics center with an adult swim (slides included!). This is our way of saying thank you for your tireless commitment to Scouting.

Commissioner Minute

Meet with the camp commissioner every morning to learn the days events and crucial information while at camp. Hey you may even make a friend while there!

FAMILY NIGHT

Campers are welcome to invite their families to experience an evening at camp. Scouts can show off their favorite program areas, eat a meal with their family, and wrap up the evening with families cheering on their Scouts during the Baden Powell Marathon. Anytime after 4:00 pm every Wednesday families are welcome to come out. **For those staying for dinner there is a cost of \$12 per meal. Any Scouts (Cubs and Girls Scouts too!) that attend family night dinner in their field uniform can eat for free! Tickets are purchased upon arrival, all families must check in and out at the Ames Lodge.**

WHAT IS THE BADEN POWELL (BP) MARATHON?

The BP Marathon is a camp-wide relay race. Scouts work together to compete against other teams in running across camp while facing various challenges along the way. The marathon can be won by team or take on the iron man challenge and compete solo! This is a legendary race here at Camp Shands that takes, speed, smarts, and grit!

Are you ready to take on the Baden Powell Marathon!?



MAIL CALL!

Families are encouraged to send a letter or package to their Scout during camp. Allow a minimum 12 days for delivery. Any items arriving after the Scouts departure will be returned to sender. Use the information below to ensure proper delivery. Mail is given out during evening assemblies!

Mailing Address

Scouts Name & Unit #

Camp Shands

1453 Baden Powell Road

Hawthorne, FL 32640

Contact Us!

Website: www.CampShands.org

Phone: (352) 475-5080 (Seasonal use)

Fax: (352) 900-0988

North Florida Council Camping Department

Phone: (904) 265-3814

POLICY & PROCEDURES

Scouts, Scouters, and visitors will be expected to exemplify the Scout Oath and Scout Law while in camp.

Adult Leadership

Unit leadership should arrange for qualified leadership from your troop to accompany the Scouts at camp. ***At least 72 hours prior to camp, qualified leadership must have completed current safeguarding youth training and bring a copy with them to camp or enter while registering. Qualified leadership includes at least two adult leaders who are at least 21 years old and registered with Scouts BSA.*** Each unit is required to have at least two registered adults present in camp at all times. If struggling to find a second leader please contact the Camp Director for assistance. Failure to meet this will cause removal from camp.

Quiet Hours

Each Scout must remain in their campsite and observe quiet hours of 10 pm to 6 am.

Smoking Policy

Boy Scouts of America is to provide a smoke free environment for all Scouting participants. Therefore smoking, in the presence of youth or in buildings is prohibited at Camp Shands. Smoking is only permitted in the designated smoking areas. This includes vaping. Thank you for your assistance!

Alcohol and Drugs

Possession or use of any alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, or the misuse of any prescribed medication is expressly prohibited. Groups or individuals found in violation of this will be asked to leave camp immediately without refund.

Visitors

Safety is paramount at Camp Shands! We ask that every visitor check in at the Ames upon arrival and departure.

Cell Phones/Electronics

Scouts should not have a cell phone out during Merit Badge/Program Sessions. Scouts are more than welcome to bring their devices, they can be charged in the campsite pavilion. Wi-Fi is accessible in different areas of camp for use to do work, post to social media, etc. Camp Shands and the North Florida Council are NOT responsible for any lost, broken, or stolen items.

Damaged Equipment

Scouts are expected to take care of all equipment they use. Sometimes, equipment is damaged and it needs to be replaced or repaired. If equipment is misused by the unit, the cost of any damaged equipment will be settled before the unit's departure. Any equipment damages should be reported to the Camp Commissioner.

Damaged Equipment Fees

- Cot Replacement \$149 • Fire Extinguisher Refill \$59
- Tent Replacement \$599 • Pavilion Door Replacement \$950
- Tarp Replacement \$129 • Pavilion Screen Replacement \$425

Firearms

Scouting America prohibits the having of any firearm or weapon while at camp. Mistakes happen if you do have one it must be checked in with the RATA Director where we will store it in our armory until your departure. This is to maintain everyone's safety at camp.

Pets

Pets are not permitted at Camp Shands. Only properly trained and identified service animals are permitted with prior approval from the Camp Director.

Restricted Areas

Scouts and leaders are restricted from staff quarters at all times. Campsites of other units are off limits and should not be visited or passed through without prior approval. No raids allowed! Raids cause personal and property damage. Raids will be grounds for dismissal from camp.

Emergency Procedures

Emergency procedures will be posted on the bulletin boards and in all campsites. Scouts and leaders hearing the bell or receive a message through our texting service must report immediately to their campsite or other designated area without delay. Leaders make sure all Scouts are aware of the emergency procedures.

Health and Safety

All precautions for the safety of everyone will be taken. The first aid lodge is available with a qualified health officer on duty 24 hours a day. In the case of a non-life threatening injury, the troop leader will be asked to provide transportation to the hospital or other as directed. Emergency services will be called for more critical cases.

Safeguarding Youth

Camp Shands follows the National BSA policies on safeguarding youth. These policies include two deep leadership where two adult leaders over 21 must be at camp. Every unit serving females must also have at least one female leader over 21. All adults accompanying the unit overnight must be registered adult members of BSA. No one on one contact between adults and youth members. Adult leaders must respect the privacy of youth members in situations such as changing clothes and taking showers and can only intrude to the extent health and safety requires. Adults must protect their own privacy in similar situations.

Telephone

Should someone at camp need to be contacted, the camp telephone number is (352) 475-5080. This phone is located in the camp office and is staffed from 9:00a-9:00p with the exception of meal times and campfire. Please note this is the camp business phone. Staff can take messages to deliver to the unit or Scout.

Tenting accomodations & Safeguarding Youth

Seperate tenting arrangments must be provided for male and female adults as well as male and female youth. Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age. Youth and adults must tent separately. (Even if the youth is your own child)

Weather

Camp Director and Program Director monitor the weather daily and are in constant contact about the weather. We will send messages via text app to let particiapants know about incoming weather. In severe weather we will notify everyone to stay under shelter or move to our emergcy storm locations. Troop Leaders are ultimately responsible for safety of their Scouts, and should use their own judgement when a possible threat exists. As weather effects program, we do our best to make-up time lost.

Vehicles

To protect our camp and Scouts, we ask that ALL vehicles be parked in the main parking lot. Only on Saturday and Sunday, vehicles will be allowed back into campsites to transport gear. Units with trailers are welcomed to keep their trailer in the campsite. No other vehicles are permitted, including mobile homes in the campsite. **Golf Carts, Boats, and Bikes are NOT PERMITTED on camp without prior approval from camp leadership. ATVs and UTVs are NOT PERMITTED. If permitted to bring a golf cart there are additional trainings required to operate at camp.**

Driving Times

We do ask driving is kept to a minimum. Specifcally, we ask no driving is done during program transition times as outlined on schedule for when foot traffic is at it's height during the day.

Driving Permits

Those that need to drive during the week to accomodate any mobility needs we do ask to check-in at the Ames office to recieve a driving permit to leave posted in the windshield of the vehicle for the week.

Refund Policy

Any requests for refunds must be sent via email to the Camp Director, Inga Glaspey at Inga.Glaspey@NFCBSA.org.

Requests for refund made...

Reasons for requesting a refund:

- Two weeks or more before event = 85% Refund
- Less than two weeks and until event = 60% Refund
- Event started and up to five days leading up to even start = 40% Refund
- ***Refunds for fees of \$10 or less will not be issued. Checks expire 90 days after the issue date. Uncashed checks that have expired are subject to a \$25 administration fee.***
- ***Refunds are not given for no shows and for bad weather which does not warrant event cancellation***
- ***Refunds are not given for anyone who leaves camp early for any reason. (Includes removal from camp by camp leadership, unit leadership, or parent)***
- ***Refund requests made within 10 days of camp will not be processed until the Friday of camp ending.***

WHAT'S AROUND CAMP?

GROCERY

Dollar General

845 N State Rd 21
Melrose, FL 32666

Williamsons Food Store

840 N State Rd 21
Melrose, FL 32666

Walmart Supercenter

1800 NE 12th Ave
Gainesville, FL 32641

Walmart Supercenter

1024 FL-19
Palatoka, FL 32177

HARDWARE

Bryan's ACE Hardware

871 N State Rd 21
Melrose, FL 32666

GAS

Shell

400 FL-26
Melrose, FL 32666

FOOD

Betty's Pizza (Italian)

319 Wynnwood Ave
Melrose, FL 32666

Gator Bait (Family Sports Restaurant)

304 FL-26
Melrose, FL 32666

Fryers (Fried Chicken)

321 FL-26
Melrose, FL 32666

Subway (Sandwiches)

400 FL-26
Melrose, FL 32666

HOSPITAL

UF Shands Hospital

1515 SW Archer Rd
Gainesville, FL 32608

Putnam Community Medical Center

611 Zeagler Dr
Palatoka, FL 32177

CAMP STAFF

Camp Shands takes pride in it's Summer Camp Staff. Each year the camp employs over 100 seasonal staff ranging from 14 to 80+ years of age. Most senior staff and area directors attend regional sessions for their positions including BSA National Camping School. Staff also participate in multiple staff developments leading up to the start of camp. This way all staff are trained, ready, and prepared to provide an amazing experience as well as field any questions you may have upon arriving to camp.

Camp staff is a great tool to keep your older Scouts involved. If you or any of your Scouts would like to join our camp staff please, scan the QR code below or go to CampShands.org. All applicants will be offered an interview for the chance to be a part of Camp Shands. Scouting experience is recommended but not required. Any staff, volunteer, and counselor in training are subject to a level two background check and drug test before starting at camp. Not ready to commit to an entire summer? That's ok too, make sure to share your availability during the interview.

Staff spots go fast. If interested, get your application in as soon as possible!



SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN OUR STAFF!



