Adventure & Education

Ocala Outdoor Adventure Camp (OOAC) has been offering an action-packed, fun, educational sleepaway summer camp on Lake Eaton in the Ocala National Forest for over 50 years. Camp staff, volunteers and FWC subject matter experts team up to provide campers with safe, hands-on learning experiences to develop outdoors skills and learn about conservation stewardship, firearms safety, ethical hunting, archery, camping, hiking, and survival skills.

Boys and girls ages 8 to 17 attend one-week camp sessions, each running from Sunday through Friday. Seven sessions are provided throughout the summer. Registration cost is \$325 per child and includes all meals, lodging, equipment, and instructional materials. Spaces fill up fast, so be sure to register early!

OOAC is an initiative of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and Florida Youth Conservation Centers Network (FYCCN). It is accredited by the American Camp Association.

Registration

Registration begins February 1. Pre-registration forms should not include payment, as families will be invoiced in March. The \$325 fee is payable by check or money order to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Credit card payment is available by calling 352-625-2804 during business hours. There is a 7% nonrefundable fee for credit card users.

Once you submit your pre-registration form, a confirmation packet will be sent to you which incluces several documents to complete and sign, including medical forms which must be completed by a licensed physician after a physical examination. Campers will not be admitted to camp without their completed medical forms. Due to the high volume of camp registrations, verbal confirmations cannot not be given or accepted.

Parents/guardians must provide transportation for their child to and from camp. Registration check-in is Sunday from 3-5 p.m. Pickup time is Friday from 3-5 p.m.



Contact Information

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2021 Summer Programs

Wildlife Adventurers (Ages 8-10)

Does your camper love wildlife and want to learn more about Florida's ecosystems? Campers discover the mysteries of our natural world through a variety of environmental games, crafts and activities. This program includes off-site adventures, utilizing the Florida Trail and other sites near the main facility.

Pathfinders (Ages 9-14)

Learn what it means to be a Safe Hunter in Florida! Campers participate in the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Hunter Safety certification program, ending in certification. The program includes learning about outdoor ethics, wildlife conservation, habitats, wild game, and hunting skills.

Trail Blazers (Ages 10-11)

Blaze a trail in the Florida wilderness! The Trail Blazer program provides campers with an opportunity to explore and participate in an overnight wilderness camping experience. Campers learn and practice a variety of skills such as wildlife viewing, basic knot tying, shelter building, orienteering, equipment preparation, and canoeing.





Is your camper ready to take their archery skills to the next level? Outfitters picks up where Pathfinders leaves off, expanding on the skills necessary to become an archer and bowhunter. Campers participate in the National Bowhunters Education Foundation's bowhunter certification program, ending in certification. Archery equipment is provided, but participants may bring their own bows and arrows for use.

Expedition (Ages 13-14)

Spend two nights camping in the Florida wilderness! Campers will develop an intimate bond with nature while being trained in outdoor living skills. They will learn to make responsible decisions with minimal impacts on the environment during a wilderness camping experience, acquiring a variety of skills such as orienteering, outdoor food preparation, knot tying, camp crafts, and weather monitoring.

Rangers (Ages 12-13)

Spend time on the range to advance shooting abilities! Campers who have already completed the Hunter Safety Course can participate in this advanced shooting sports program. Campers will spend the day enhancing their skills with shotguns, .22 rifles, and muzzleloaders.

Leadership Camp (CIT program) (Ages 15-17)

The Leadership Camp provides high school students with the responsibility to assist staff with camper activities. All Leadership campers will receive training on programs we offer, how to interact with younger campers, and the various roles staff are required to fill as counselors. 40 community service hours are awarded for each week of volunteer service to the camp. There is a fee of \$150 for each week. High School students must apply to participate in the OCC Leadership Camp program.

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2021 Camp Schedule	
Week 1	June 13-18
Week 2	June 20-25
Week 3	June 27- July 2
Week 4	July 4-9
Week 5	July 11-16
Week 6	July 18-23
Week 7	July 25-30



