

# Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy

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## Capital Area Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy

### Information Sheet

The Capital Area Texas Interagency Wildland & Incident Management Academy will be operated utilizing the Incident Command System... meaning the daily operations will be managed by an Incident Management Team. This will be similar to what you will see in a fire camp. To ensure a “smooth” operation during the academy the following rules apply to all individuals, students and instructors.

#### CHECK-IN

- ★ Check-In will begin on Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 1500. You will be able to check-in daily between 0630 and 1700. Check in the day before or the morning of your class are both acceptable. If you are registered for more than one class, you only need to check-in once.
- ★ Check-in after 1700 will not be available. If you are needing barrack or tent site accommodations, please make sure you have arrived to camp by 1700 to get properly checked-in and assigned to your choice of accommodations.
- ★ The Academy is located at Camp Swift Training Facility (Gate 5) just outside of Bastrop, Texas. Check-In is at the Incident Command Post, which is located at 850 FM 2336, McDade, TX 78650. Directions to Bastrop & Camp Swift can be found on the TICC website <http://ticc.tamu.edu/Training/training.htm>.
- ★ You are encouraged to attend the morning briefings at 7:30AM. Briefing times are subject to change. All courses run from approximately 8:00AM to 5:00PM, unless otherwise specified by your instructor.
- ★ The Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy teaches NWCG courses in accordance with NWCG standards. It is the responsibility of the students and their supervisors to ensure that all prerequisites are fulfilled for courses they are registered for.

#### BASTROP - CAMP SWIFT

- ★ Appropriate behavior is expected at all times. This is an Army National Guard facility, so please be respectful. **NO alcohol or drugs will be permitted at camp or at any of the field exercises.** Ignorance of this policy will not be tolerated and you will be **de-mobed with a letter sent back to your home unit explaining the reason for your dismissal.**
- ★ Smoking is allowed anywhere at camp **OUTSIDE** of the buildings. Please be thoughtful of those who are non-smokers and do not congregate next to the building entrances.
- ★ **100% attendance** is required to receive credit for the courses that you are registered for.

- ★ Casual dress is permitted ... please refrain from wearing t-shirts or caps that may be inappropriate or offensive.
- ★ Breakfast and lunch will be provided at camp. Dinner arrangements are to be made on your own.
- ★ Essential course materials will be provided, such as student workbooks, handouts, and other required manuals. Please check your course inserts for any items you are responsible for bringing.

## TRAVEL & LODGING INFORMATION

- ★ Barrack accommodations are available on a first come, first served basis at **NO** extra charge. You will just let the staff know upon check-in that you require a bunk in the barracks. Please make sure to bring linens, blankets, pillows, sleeping bag, etc. If you're interested in a camping out in the tent area, please let us know during check-in, as well.
- ★ Hotel lodging information can be found at <http://ticc.tamu.edu/Training/training.htm>.
- ★ Students are responsible for making their own hotel reservations and cancellations.
- ★ Airport to fly into: Austin-Bergstrom International Airport in Austin, Texas ... about 30 miles west of Bastrop. We **do not** have shuttle service to and from the airport. Directions from the airport are attached.

## PRE-COURSE WORK

- ★ Student pre-course work is required if you are enrolled in FI-210, L-280, L-380, PMS 419, S-212, S-219, S-230, S-231, S-236, S-244, S-270, S-290, S-330, S-339, and/or S-390. Please read and complete the pre-course material and bring it with you on the first day of class, unless otherwise specified. If you do not receive your pre-course material, please contact the academy registrar at [academyregistrar@tfs.tamu.edu](mailto:academyregistrar@tfs.tamu.edu).

## FIELD EXERCISES

- ★ If you are enrolled in BEAST, DOZ OPS, FI-210, L-280, L-380, PMS 419, S-130/190, S-211, S-212, S-219, S-236, S-244 and/or S-271, you will need to bring your Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). PPE includes nomex shirt and pants, hardhat, leather boots, gloves, eye protection, and ear protection. Your agency or department should be able to provide these items for you. If not, you will be able to check nomex shirt & pants and hardhat out of our supply cache ... items will be limited.
- ★ *If you are in the S-130/S-190/L-100/L-180 course, you will be “camping out” at the state park the last night of class. Please bring a sleeping bag and pillow for this night if you are staying in a hotel for the rest of the time.*

## TASKBOOKS

- ★ Taskbooks will not be initiated at the Academy ... they are to be initiated by your home unit.

## PAYMENT and CANCELLATIONS

- ★ Payment must be made prior to attending class, unless other arrangements are made. Methods of payment include: credit cards (Visa/MasterCard/Discover/AMEX), check, money order, purchase orders, or through the HB 2604/TIFMAS program. If using HB 2604 or TIFMAS, applications **MUST** be turned into the Grants Department before the academy starts to receive funding.
- ★ For a full refund on registration fees, **ALL** cancellations must be received **ON or BEFORE October 5, 2016**. Substitutions can be made if you will not be able to attend ... please contact the academy registrar.
- ★ **Cancellations received starting October 6, 2016 will be charged a cancellation fee of a full day's tuition for each class (\$55). No refunds will be given for "No Shows"**. Please be courteous, as there may be students on waiting lists who want to get into a class you may be registered for.

## MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- ★ Directions to Bastrop & Camp Swift can be found on the TICC webpage <http://ticc.tamu.edu/Training/training.htm> as well as in this document.
- ★ **If you take prescription medication or have allergies (for example, bee stings), please make sure you bring your medication with you.**
- ★ **If you have special dietary needs, please let us know so that we may inform the caterer ahead of time.**

We hope you will enjoy your time at the Capital Area Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy. If you have any questions, please contact the academy registrar at (979) 458-7330 or email: [academyregistrar@tfs.tamu.edu](mailto:academyregistrar@tfs.tamu.edu).

Have a safe trip and we will see you there!!!

## COURSE SCHEDULE

Course Abbreviation	Course Name	Dates	# of Days	Pre-requisites	Field Day*	Pre-work
BEAST	Basic Engine and Suppression Tactics	October 15 - 16	2	None	✓	
DOZOPS	TFS Dozer Operations and Maintenance	October 22 - 23	2	Successful completion of S-130/S-190	✓	
TDA-RX	TDA Prescribed Burn Manager	October 14 - 18	5	See Course Description	✓	✓
FI-210	Wildland Fire Origin and Cause Determination	October 13 - 17	5	See Course Description	✓	✓
L-280	Followership to Leadership	October 18 - 19	2	Successful completion L-180 and pre-course work	✓	✓
L-380	Fireline Leadership	October 17 - 21	5	See Course Description	✓	✓
PMS-419	Wildland Engine Operator	October 21 - 25	5	Successful completion S-130/S-290, S-211, S-131, and pre-course work; FFT2 qualified	✓	✓
S-130/190 A	Firefighter Training/Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (includes I-100 & L-180)	October 13 - 17	5	None	✓	
S-130/190 B	Firefighter Training/Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (includes I-100 & L-180)	October 21 - 25	5	None	✓	
S-131/S-133 A	Firefighter Type 1/ Look Up, Look Down, Look Around	October 13 - 14	2	FFT2 qualified		
S-131/S-133 B	Firefighter Type 1/ Look Up, Look Down, Look Around	October 19 - 20	2	FFT2 qualified		
S-211	Portable Pumps and Water Use	October 18 - 20	3	None	✓	
S-212 A	Wildland Fire Chain Saws	October 13 - 16	4	Satisfactory completion of pre-course work; FFT2 qualified	✓	✓
S-212 B	Wildland Fire Chain Saws	October 21 - 24	4	Satisfactory completion of pre-course work; FFT2 qualified	✓	✓
S-215	Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface	October 24 - 26	3	FFT1 qualified	Field Trip	
S-219	Firing Operations	October 21 - 23	3	Successful completion of required online pre-course work; FFT2 qualified	✓	✓
S-230	Crew Boss (Single Resource)	October 13 - 15	3	Successful completion of S-290 and pre-course work; FFT1 qualified		✓
S-231	Engine Boss (Single Resource)	October 16 - 17	2	Successful completion of S-230 and pre-course work; FFT1 qualified		✓
S-236	Heavy Equipment Boss (Single Resource)	October 24 - 26	3	Successful completion of pre-course work; FFT1 qualified	✓	✓
S-244	Field Observer	October 18 - 20	3	See Course Description	✓	✓
S-261	Applied Interagency Incident Business Management	October 18 - 20	3	None, however, successful completion of S-260 is recommended		

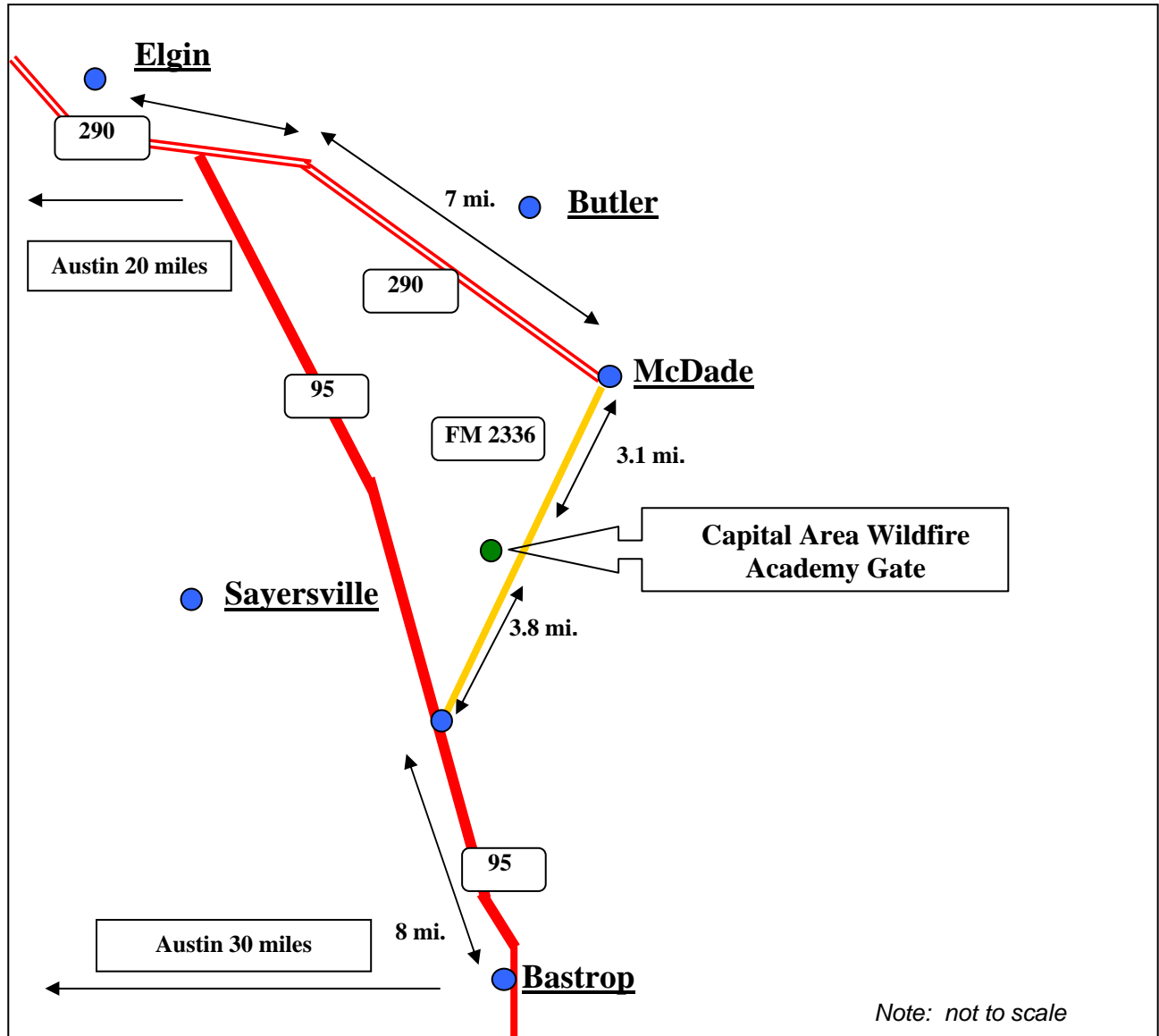
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S-270	Basic Air Operations	October 17 - 18	2	Satisfactory completion of pre-course work		✓
S-271	Helicopter Crewmember (includes RT 219)	October 19 - 22	4	FFT2 qualified	✓	
S-290 A	Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior	October 14 - 18	5	Successful completion of S-190 and pre-course work		✓
S-290 B	Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior	October 22 - 26	5	Successful completion of S-190 and pre-course work		✓
S-330	Task Force/Strike Team Leader	October 24 - 26	3	Satisfactory completion of pre-course work; qualified as any single resource boss		✓
S-339	Division/Group Supervisor	October 20 - 22	3	See Course Description		✓
S-354	Facilities Unit Leader	October 13 - 15	3	Base/camp manager (BCMG) qualified		
S-355	Ground Support Unit Leader	October 16 - 17	2	Equipment manager (EQPM) qualified		
S-390	Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior Calculations	October 17 - 21	5	Satisfactory completion of S-290 and pre-course work; single resource boss qualified		✓

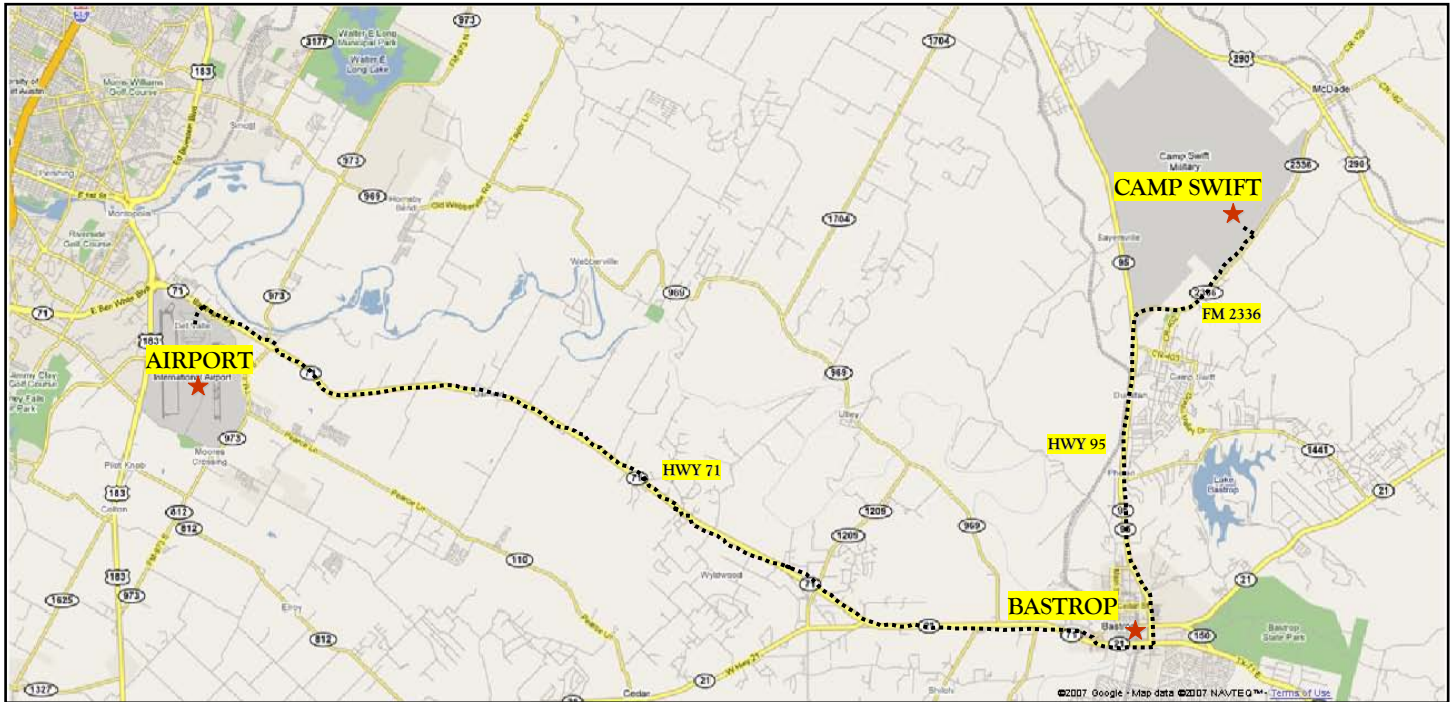
\* PPE is required for courses with field days

\*\* Pre-course work is available online at <http://training.nwcg.gov/pre-courses.html>

# Capital Area Interagency Wildfire Academy Bastrop, Texas



# Map



## Directions from the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport:

Upon leaving the airport, take Hwy 71 East towards Bastrop. You will travel approximately 30 miles until you reach Bastrop. At the intersection of Hwy 71 and Hwy 95, turn left. You will travel north on Hwy 95 for about 8 miles until you reach FM 2336 (you will pass a correctional facility on your right, FM 2336 will be a little ways after that). Turn right and travel 3.5 - 4 miles until you see a gate and a rock driveway on your left. There will be signs to help you locate this gate as it can be difficult to spot from a distance. Follow the rock road towards the community of buildings and look for the signs directing you to parking and check-in. Should you have any trouble locating the site, please do not hesitate to call the academy registrar at 936-546-3465, or once in the gate there will be staff to help you navigate your way.

For those who chose to stay in Elgin, stay on Hwy 95 until you encounter Hwy 290. Turn left and this will take you into town.

## **Directions from:**

### **Austin**

Take Hwy 71 East toward Bastrop. You will travel approximately 30 miles until you reach Bastrop. At the intersection of Hwy 71 and Hwy 95, turn left. You will travel north on Hwy 95 for about 8 miles until you reach FM 2336 (you will pass a correctional facility on your right, FM 2336 will be a little ways after that). Turn right and travel 3.5 – 4 miles until you see a gate and a rock driveway on your left. There will be signs to help you locate this gate, as it can be difficult to spot from a distance. Follow the rock road toward the community of buildings, and look for the signs directing you to parking and check-in.

### **Houston**

Take I-10 West to Hwy 71 W. From there, you will travel on Hwy 71 until you reach Bastrop. Once in Bastrop, at the intersection of Hwy 71 and Hwy 95, turn right. You will travel north on Hwy 95 for about 8 miles until you reach FM 2336 (you will pass a correctional facility on your right, FM 2336 will be a little ways after that). Turn right and travel 3.5 – 4 miles until you see a gate and a rock driveway on your left. There will be signs to help you locate this gate, as it can be difficult to spot from a distance. Follow the rock road toward the community of buildings, and look for the signs directing you to parking and check-in.

### **Dallas**

Take I-35 South to Temple. From there, take Hwy 95 South through Taylor and into Elgin. You will continue to take Hwy 95 out of Elgin towards Bastrop until you reach FM 2336 (you will pass the main entrance for Camp Swift on your left). Turn left on FM 2336 and travel 3.5 – 4 miles until you see a gate and a rock driveway on your left. There will be signs to help you locate this gate, as it can be difficult to spot from a distance. Follow the rock road toward the community of buildings, and look for the signs directing you to parking and check-in.

Should you have any trouble locating the site, please do not hesitate to call the academy registrar at 936-546-3465 beginning October 12th, or once in the gate, there will be staff to help you navigate your way.

The 911 address for Gate 5 is:

850 FM 2336

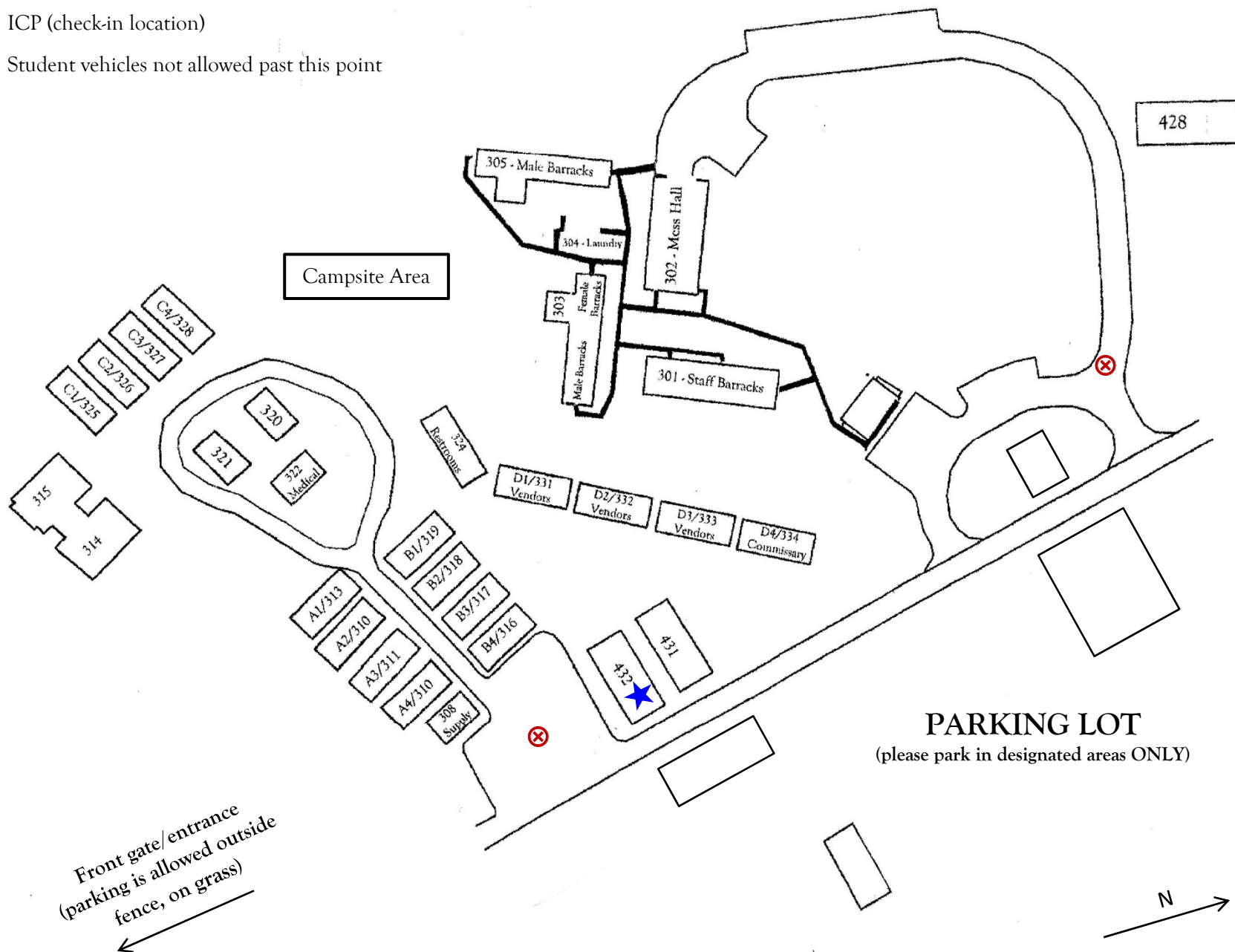
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# Capital Area Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy Camp Swift National Guard Training Facility

★ ICP (check-in location)

⊗ Student vehicles not allowed past this point



# Lodging Accommodations

For more information:

Bastrop Chamber of Commerce: [www.bastropchamber.com](http://www.bastropchamber.com) or 512-303-0558

Elgin Chamber of Commerce: [www.elgintxchamber.com](http://www.elgintxchamber.com) or 512-285-4515

## Accommodations in Bastrop

Best Western Bastrop Pines Inn, 107 Hunters Crossing Blvd	512-321-0900
Comfort Inn & Suites, 505 Agnes St.	512-321-3377
Days Inn, 4102 Hwy 71 East	512-321-1157
Hampton Inn & Suites, 240 S. Hasler Blvd.	512-321-2898
Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites, 491 Agnes St.	512-321-1900
Quality Inn, 106 Hasler Blvd	512-321-3303

## Accommodations in Elgin

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites, 258 Hwy. 290 East	512-285-3900
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**Don't forget that barracks and tent sites are available on the base at no charge.**