Welcome to the Smoky Mountain Field School. In order to ensure the safety and enjoyment of your chosen experience, please carefully review the information below well in advance of the meeting date. If you have any concerns or questions about the class contact the instructor(s). For issues related to registration contact Personal and Professional Development at 865-974-0150.

MEETING PLACE/TIME: Meet at 10:00 a.m. Saturday in Great Smoky Mountains National Park at the Little Greenbrier Schoolhouse. Allow ample travel time in consideration of restroom stops, weather conditions, and traffic – Be on time!

GENERAL INFORMATION: Participation in all classes is voluntary and each participant will be required to sign a Release of Liability as part of the class roster. Participants should advise their instructor(s) of any medical issues that could become a concern or place themselves or others at risk. Everyone is asked to refrain from the use of cell phones or tobacco products during the experience. Classes are held rain or shine and refunds are not issued for ‘no-shows’.

WHAT TO EXPECT AND WEAR: Much of the Smokies consists of rugged, remote terrain and participants must make themselves aware of the potential risks involved. The weather in the Park is often unpredictable and can change rapidly producing strong winds, a sudden drop in temperature and even winter-like conditions, especially at the higher elevations. Do not underestimate the year-round need for adequate rain protection and warm layers including a hat and gloves and secure them in waterproof bags. For most day sessions expensive, high-tech clothing and hiking boots are not necessary but comfortable field clothes and sturdy footwear are essential.

RECOMMENDED ITEMS: Make adjustments according to your needs and those of the class.

_____ Daypack/Hiking stick or trekking poles
_____ One to two quarts (liters) of fluid/snacks/lunch and/or dinner
_____ First aid items and personal medications
_____ Emergency items: Compass, light source, small knife, waterproof matches and whistle
_____ Sunscreen (year round) and insect repellent (seasonal)
_____ Field guides/notepad and pen or pencil/small hand lens/binoculars/camera and accessories
DRIVING DIRECTIONS:
The Little Greenbrier Schoolhouse is located near the Metcalf Bottoms Picnic area, between the Townsend ‘Wye’ and Elmont in Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

From Sugarlands Visitor Center:
- Turn right when exiting Sugarlands Visitor Center parking area, towards Cades Cove.
- Drive on Little River Road 10 miles until you come to the Metcalf Bottoms Picnic Area on the right
- Turn right into the picnic area. (Restrooms immediately on your right.)
- Continue straight, crossing over a bridge, and around two curves on Wear Gap Road.
- From Wear Cove Road, turn right on an unnamed narrow, gravel road, and drive to the end, where you will find a parking area for Little Greenbrier Schoolhouse. There is a sign pointing to the schoolhouse on Wear Gap Rd.

From Townsend, TN:
- Follow Hwy 73 through Townsend toward the National Park
- Turn left on Little River Road at the Townsend Wye, heading toward Sugarlands Visitor Center
- Drive 8.1 miles on Little River Road until you see Metcalf Bottoms Picnic Area on your left.
- Turn left into the picnic area. (Restrooms immediately on your right.)
- Continue straight, crossing over a bridge, and around two curves on Wear Gap Road.
- From Wear Cove Road, turn right on an unnamed narrow, gravel road, and drive to the end, where you will find a parking area for Little Greenbrier Schoolhouse. There is a sign pointing to the schoolhouse on Wear Gap Rd.

Note: Wear Gap Road is the paved road inside the Park and becomes Line Springs Road as you exit the Park into Wear’s Valley.
Little Greenbrier School

Little Greenbrier School is located in Metcalf Bottoms in the Great Smoky Mountains.

Little Greenbriar is off Highway 321.
Turn right on Lyons Springs Lane
Continue onto Line Spring Road
Continue onto Wears Gap Road
Turn left onto Little Greenbriar Rd.