



NC Emergency Management Experience – West

Henderson County, in partnership with the City of Asheville, Buncombe and Haywood Counties, and NC Emergency Management, invites girls entering grades 9–12 to apply for the 2026 North Carolina Emergency Management Experience – West. This summer day camp introduces participants to careers in emergency management and public safety. Camp will take place July 27–31, 2026, at the Henderson County Emergency Services Center in Hendersonville, NC, with field trips to the surrounding areas. Up to 24 students will be selected to participate.

Key components:

- Learn about key emergency management and public safety jobs
- Explore careers through field trips and hands-on experiences
- Participate in a career fair and networking event

The schedule for the camp is Monday through Friday, from 8:45AM to 4:00PM.

There is **no cost** for students to participate and lunches will be provided. Travel to and from Henderson County Emergency Services Center for camp is not provided.

Eligibility: The workshop is open to rising 9-12th grade girls that live in, and are enrolled in high school, within North Carolina.

Cost: FREE

How to Apply: Interested students can apply by submitting this application along with a statement (100 words or less) describing your career goals and why you wish to attend the Emergency Management Experience West. Applications can be emailed to emexperiencewest@hcem.org, with subject line “EM Experience West Application.”

For participants under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian signature is required.

Deadline: All applications must be submitted before midnight on April 30, 2026.

Questions: emexperiencewest@hcem.org

Important Dates:

- **April 30, 2026:** Application deadline (midnight)
- **May:** Applicants will be notified of acceptance
- **June:** Virtual meet and greet for participants and parents/guardians
- **July 27-31, 2026:** NC Emergency Management Experience - West

Henderson County Emergency Services, 2529 Asheville Hwy Hendersonville NC 28791



NC Emergency Management Experience – West Participant Application

Applicant Information:

Participant Name: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Phone: _____

School: _____ Fall 2026 Grade: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

*Please attach a statement (100 words or less) with your career goals and why you wish to attend this workshop.

FOR PARTICIPANTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE:

I hereby state that I am the parent or guardian of the student whose signature appears above. I am familiar with, consent, and agree on behalf of the student, with the terms and provisions set forth in this application form.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

How did you hear about the Emergency Management Experience West?
