

Training Description Guide

Adult Leader Training:

This Is Scouting – This training is for all Scouting volunteers and is available at the On-line Learning Center and is offered within Gray Owl. This Is Scouting involves an introduction to the basics of the Scouting program, age appropriateness of those programs, values, and methods. Leaders involved in Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturing should do this to be considered trained.

Leader Specific Training – This training provides in-depth information for a new leader in a specific scouting position such as Cub Scouts/Den Leaders/their assistants, Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmasters, Pack and Troop Committee Members, and all Venturing Leaders. Position specific training required to be considered trained.

BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) – This training is for Cub Leaders interested in taking their pack on a campout. It focuses on how to prepare for a campout and then guides them through basic camping skills. This training is for Tiger, Wolf, Bear Den Leaders, their assistants and interested Pack Committee Members. It is required for a tour permit.

Outdoor Leadership Skills for Webelos Leaders – This training is designed to help Webelos Den Leaders learn how to provide a memorable camping experience for their Webelos Scouts, parents, and guardians.

Troop Committee Challenge – This training is available at the On-line Learning Center and is designed to give Troop Committee members a better understanding of the positions members of a troop committee hold and how the committee provides support to the Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmasters, and the troop as a whole.

Introduction to Outdoor Skills – This training provides a hands-on program for Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, and interested members of the Troop Committee. It gives adult leaders practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the outdoors and enables leaders to become proficient in basic outdoor skills through first class rank.

Wood Badge – The new Wood Badge continues the tradition as an advanced training course, combining the best parts of the prior course with new training elements to fit the needs of Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturing leaders. It is an intensive learning experience focusing on leadership skills and how to apply them.

Powder Horn Training – This training is for Venturing and Boy Scout leaders. It assists leaders in finding resources for high adventure activities and is conducted at the council or regional level.

Trainer Development Conference – This conference is designed to develop and improve the skills of both new and veteran trainers. It implements contemporary training techniques and methods and incorporates reinforcement of experiential learning. It is available to individuals who are involved with training adult or boy leaders. For more information, contact your district training chairman or district executive.

Youth Protection – This is REQUIRED for ALL SCOUTERS and is available through the On-line Learning Center. The course is designed to inform and instruct adult volunteers and parents about the BSA youth protection policies and procedures. This one-hour video presentation is now required for all registered adults involved in the BSA.

Leadership Training for Boy Scouts:

Troop Leadership Training – This course is a Scoutmaster-directed training designed to be used shortly after a Scout accepts a new position in his troop. It is divided into 3, one-hour modules that can be conducted separately or in back-to-back sessions. The completion of all three modules qualifies the Scout to wear the Trained patch.

Oak Leaf Skills – This course is a Boy Scout Junior Leader training that is conducted at the district level. It is designed for boys who are preparing for leadership positions within their local troop. It is recommended that the boy be at least Second Class rank and have the approval of his troop's Scoutmaster.

Den Chief Training – This course is for Boy Scouts interested in working with a Cub Scout or Webelos Den in a mentoring type role and is conducted either at the district level or through the Online Learning Center. It trains the participant on how to assist with younger youth members and satisfies advancement requirements.

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) – This is an intense, 5 ½ day, outdoor leadership training experience for troop youth leaders conducted at the council level. Its primary function is to help Scoutmasters by training their top boy leaders in the skills of leadership. This is a National BSA-developed course that is aligned with the material provided in the 21st Century Wood Badge training for adults. Scouts are required to be First Class rank and at least 13 years of age.

National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) – This is a Philmont-based course that will motivate Scouts to follow a life of servant leadership based on the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Troop Leadership Training and NYLT are the prerequisites for this course.