

PROGRAM
UPDATES
2024-25 Program
Year

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Introductions



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Meeting flow and ground rules

Agenda

- Knowledge check
- What is changing?
- Review of changes
- Program Delivery

Ground rules

- A Scout is Kind
- Ask questions via chat
- Feel free to follow up via email
- · We won't cover it all



FUN

Fun for Cub Scouts, leaders, and parents.

EASY

Easy to deliver the program as designed.



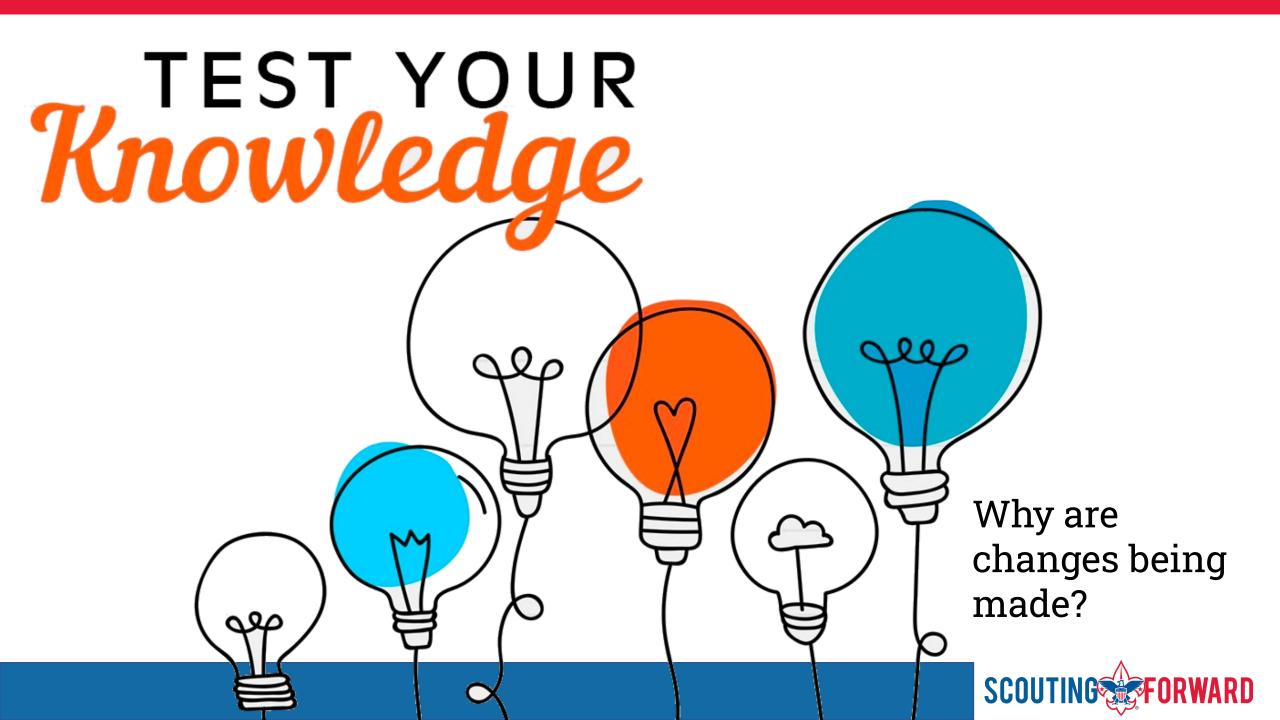
SIMPLE

Simple to understand, to explain, and to support.

Starting:

June 1, 2024.





Data gathered on the Adventures earned by Cub Scouts was over how many years?



A. 1 year

B. 2 years

C. 4 years

D. 10 years



On average, what percentage of Cub Scouts earn any given elective Adventure?



A. 08-12%

B. 15-25%

C. 30-35%

D. 38-40%



What percentage of Cub Scouts earn the National Summertime Pack Award?



A. 1%

B. 6%

C. 18%

D. 22%



What percentage of leaders indicated that the Outdoor Activity Award was the incentive to conduct outdoor activities?



A. 12%

B. 45%

C. 72%

D. 88%



Feedback
From over
23,000
Cub Scout
Leaders and
Parents*



Awards and More Survey

Survey was sent to 18,376 parents and 36,487 den leaders 3,637 people responded: **6.6**% response rate

95% (+/- 1.7%) confidence level

Awards are not driving behavior Of those who earned the awards, 2/3 see them as recognition, not an incentive.

Not an awareness issue

Of those who did not earn the award, 50% indicated that they knew about the award but still chose not to do it.



Required Adventure Survey

The survey was sent to 36,963 den leaders 3,880 people responded, a 10.5% response rate 95% (+/- 1.5%) confidence level





- Like the activities and games
- Like everything about it
- Like the simplicity of requirements
- **Guest Speakers**
- **Making Posters**



- **Duplication of schoolwork**
- **Comments not related to question**
- **Guest speakers**
- **Making posters**



Any comment that 10% or more respondents gave was reviewed and incorporated.

Bobcat Adventure was overhauled after the first survey.



What is changing?



4 Major focus areas



4 Major areas of focus:



- One set of requirements is ineffective
- What to do with returning Cub Scouts
- Rank or not a rank?







ADVENTURES WEBELOS (4TH/5TH GRADE)

- Disjointed required adventure topics
- Inconsistent number of adventures for each rank
- You want more elective adventures
- Length of Webelos program
- Does not follow the pattern of other ranks
- Purpose of the program
- · Awards are not in the direct line of sight of Den Leaders

AWARDS

- Awards do not drive behavior
- Very few youth earn awards

Bobcat





Bobcat

The Bobcat adventure is now designed to be the first required adventure.



With each Rank, additional age appropriate requirements are added.

Bobcat requirement examples



- 1. Get to know the members of your den.
- 2. Have your Lion adult partner or den leader read the Scout Law to you. **Demonstrate** your understanding of being friendly.
- 3. Share with your Lion adult partner, during a den meeting or at home, a time when you have demonstrated the Cub Scout motto "Do Your Best."
- 4. At home, with your parent or legal guardian do the activities in the booklet "How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide."



Tiger

- Get to know the members of your den.
 Recite the Scout Oath with your den, including your Tiger adult partner.
 Have your Tiger adult partner or den leader read the Scout Law to you. Demonstrate your understanding of being trustworthy, helpful, or friendly.
- 4. Demonstrate the Cub Scout sign, Cub Scout salute and Cub Scout handshake. Show how each are used.
- Share with your Tiger adult partner, at a den meeting or at home, a time when you have demonstrated the Cub Scout motto "Do Your Best."
- 6. At home, with your parent or legal guardian do the activities in the booklet "How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide."

Adventures





Required Adventures - Areas of focus

- Character / Leadership
- Outdoors
- Personal Fitness
- Citizenship
- Personal Safety
- Family / Reverence



Each rank now has 6 required adventures - one for each focus area

2024-2025 Cub Scout Badges of Rank Requirements

6 Required Adventures per rank



Each Rank has an Adventure in each focus area

Outdoor Required Adventures





Tigers in the Wild



Paws on the Path



Bear Habitat



Webelos

Walkabout



4th Grade

5th Grade

Outdoor

Adventurer

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Common Activity - Take a walk outside

Cub Scout Six Essentials

Go on a campout.

Scout 10 Essentials

Common Activities For Required Adventures











<u>Lion</u> Mountain Lion

Requirement 2

<u>Take a walk outside</u>
spending <u>at least 20</u>
<u>minutes</u> exploring
the outdoors <u>with</u>
<u>your Cub Scout Six</u>
<u>Essentials.</u>

<u>Tiger</u> Tigers in the Wild

Requirement 3
Take a walk outside
spending at least 20
minutes exploring
the outdoors with
your Cub Scout Six
Essentials.

Wolf Paws on the Path

Requirement 5
Take a walk outside
for at least 30
minutes to explore
nature in your
surroundings.
Describe four
different animals
that you could see
on your walk.

<u>Bear</u> Bear Habitat

Requirement 5
Go on a 1 mile walk.
Identify six signs of any mammals, birds, insects, reptiles, or plants. Discuss the Leave No Trace principles.

Webelos Webelos Walkabout

Requirement 5
Using the buddy system, walk your planned 2 miles.
Discuss what a helpful buddy does in an outdoor environment and what to do if separated from the group.

Elective Adventures

Each rank has either

- 16 electives (Lion / AOL)OR
- 20 electives (Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos)

You must complete 2 electives for EACH rank.



Remember 6 + 2 6 required + 2 elective adventures for each rank

2024-2025 Cub Scout Badges of Rank Requirements

6 Required Adventures per rank 2 Elective Adventures per rank



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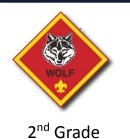


Adventures Available for All Ranks

BOLD indicates new adventure *Italics* indicate existing adventure













4 th Grade	5 th Grad
T Grade	

Activity						
Pinewood Derby / Rain gutter Regatta	Race Time	Race Time	Race Time	Race Time	Race Time	Race Time
Fishing	Go Fish	Fish On	A Wolf Goes Fishing	A Bear Goes Fishing	Catch the Big One	Fishing
Cycling	On a Roll	Rolling Tigers	Pedal with the Pack	Bears on Bikes	Pedal Away	Cycling
Swimming	Time to Swim	Tigers in the Water	Spirit of the Water	Salmon Run	Aquanaut	Swimming



STEM in Scouting

STEM Adventures

BOLD indicates new adventure *Italics* indicate existing adventure













3rd Grade

4th Grade

5th Grade

STEM						
Science	Ready Set Grow	Sky Is the Limit	Digging in the Past	Forensics	Earth Rocks	Into the Woods
Technology	Everyday Tech	Tech All Around	Coding Wolves	Top Chef Tech	Tech on the Trail	High Tech Camping
Engineering	Gizmos and Gadgets	Designed by Tiger	Air of the Wolf	Baloo the Builder	Modular Design	Engineer
Math	Count on Me	Stories in Shapes	Code of the Wolf	Where in the Bear	Math on the Trail	Estimations



Elective Adventures

CUB SCOUT ELECTIVE ADVENTURES



16 Electives

Build It Up, Knock It Down Gizmos and Gadgets I'll Do It Myself

On Your Mark

Pick My Path Ready, Set, Grow

Count On Me

Everyday Tech

Go Fish

Let's Camp

On a Roll

Race Time

Time to Swim

World Conservation

Archery

Slingshot



1st Grade 20 Electives

Curiosity, etc. Floats and Boats

Good Knights Rolling Tigers

Safe and Smart Sky Is the Limit

Stories in Shapes

Tiger Tag

Tiger-iffic!

Designed by Tiger

Fish On

Let's Camp

Race Time

Summertime Fun

Tech All Around

Tigers in the Water

World Conservation

Archery

BB Guns

Slingshot



2nd Grade 20 Electives

Adventures in Coins

Air of the Wolf

Code of the Wolf
Cubs Who Care

Digging in the Past

Finding Your Way

Germs Alive!

Paws of Skill

Spirit of the Water

A Wolf Goes Fishing

Computing Wolves

Let's Camp

Paws for Water

Pedal with the Pack

Race Time

Summertime Fun

World Conservation

Archery

BB Guns

Slingshot



3rd Grade 20 Electives

A Bear Goes Fishing Baloo the Builder Critter Care

Forensics

Marble Madness

Roaring Laughter

Salmon Run

Super Science Bears Afloat

Bears on Bikes

Balancing Bears

Let's Camp

Race Time

Summertime Fun

Top Chef Tech

Whittling

World Conservation

Archery

BB Guns Slingshot



4th Grade 20 Electives

Aquanaut

Art Explosion

Aware and Care

Build It

Earth Rocks!

Catch the Big One

Let's Camp

Math on the Trail

Modular Design
Paddle Onward

Pedal Away

Race Time

Chef's Knife

Summertime Fun

Tech on the Trail

World Conservation

Yoyo

Archery BB Guns

Slingshot

5th Grade 16 Electives

Engineer

Into the Wild
Into the Woods

Cycling

Estimations

Fishing

High Tech Outdoors

Knife Safety

Paddle Craft

Race Time

Summertime Fun

Swimming

World Conservation

Archery BB Guns

Slingshot

Knife Safety



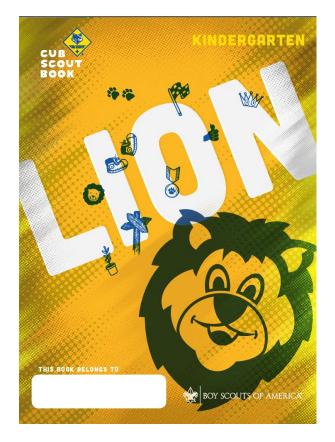
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Whittlin' Chip is retried

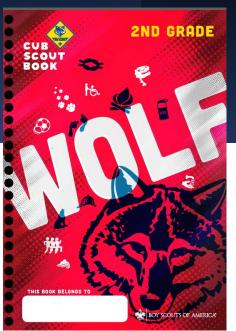
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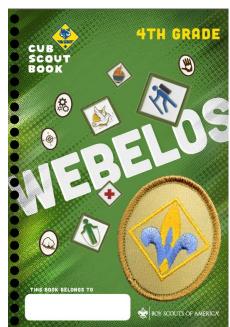
The Adventure pocket card can be used as proof of completing the Adventure.

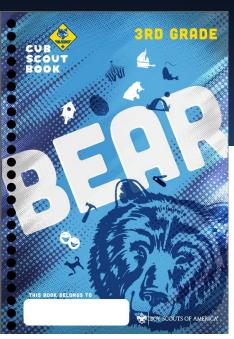
New Handbooks

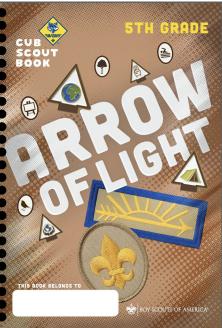












Webelos (4th / 5th Grade)





Webelos / Arrow of Light

Today this is a 2 year program.

This doesn't match with other ranks & splits the focus of the Webelos year.

Arrow of Light to Scouts BSA



Changes are based on a Collaboration with National Scouts BSA Committee

The complete Arrow of Light badge or rank is **designed to prepare for Scouts BSA** not just one Adventure.

Designed to have Arrow of Light Cub Scouts joining a Scouts BSA Troop by January/February.

No duplication of requirements between Arrow of Light and Scout Rank.

Arrow of Light Bobcat Required Adventure Requirements



- Learn about the patrol method and discuss the benefits.
- Choose a Patrol name and elect a patrol leader.
- Make a patrol flag that includes everyone's name.
- Recite the Scout Oath and Scout Law with your patrol.
- With your patrol develop a Code of Conduct.
- Demonstrate the Scouts BSA sign, salute, and handshake. Show how each is used.
- With your patrol or with your parent/legal guardian visit a Scouts BSA Troop.
- At home, with your parent or legal guardian do the activities in the booklet "How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide."

Webelos and Arrow of Light



4th Grade Webelos

Blue Cub Scout Uniform

Webelos Hat

Webelos Neckerchief

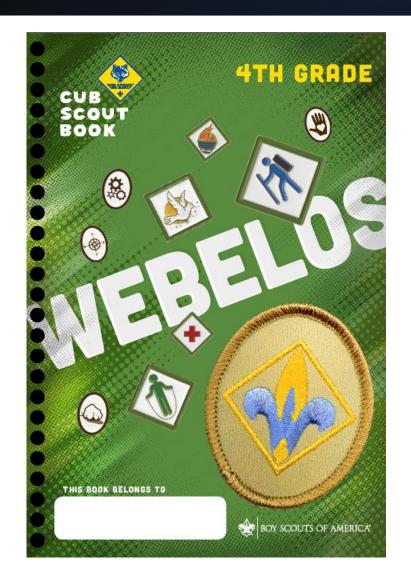


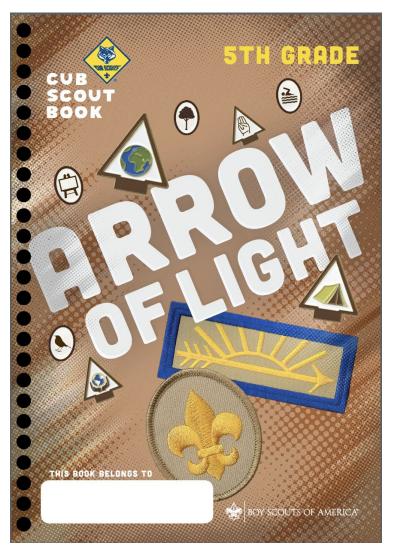
5th Grade Arrow of Light

Scouts BSA Uniform
Tan Shirt
Green Bottoms

There will not be an Arrow of Light Hat or Neckerchief.

Webelos and Arrow of Light





Arrow of Light Handbook

Arrow of Light Required and Elective Adventures

Content from Scouts BSA Handbook on the Scout Badge of Rank requirements.

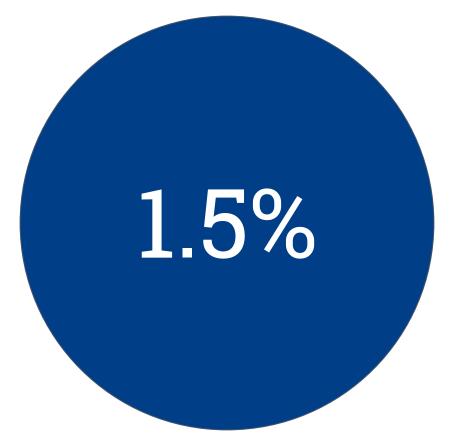
Requirements for Scout Badge of Rank May Not Be Worked On Until the Cub Scout Is In A Scouts BSA Troop.

Awards





What is the data behind the change?



Average utilization of Cub Scout awards



Reimagine Awards to Adventures

Awards have an attachment rate of 1.5% Between 0% and 3%

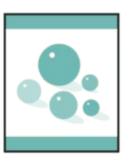


Elective Adventures have an attachment rate between 15% and 25%











Why (more) belt loops/Pins?

Research has shown:

- Parents don't like sewing on patches
- · Parents don't like anything they have to take off to wash the uniform
- Belt loops check most of the boxes
- National is exploring other ways to display/store belt loops



Fun, Simple, & Easy is the focus



Average tenure of a Cub Scout







Making it fun, simple, and easy for leaders

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Pick the Rank/Grade





is how the aims of character, citizenship, leadership, and personal fitness are developed.

CUB SCOUT RANKS

Select a specific rank to see the list of required and elective adventures.



LION

Kindergarten

Description of how to earn the Lion Badge and some basic instructions. Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet. euismod, arcu eu vulputate

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TIGER

1st Grade or 6 Years Old

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WOLF

2nd Grade or 7 Years Old

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BEAR

3rd Grade or 8 Years Old

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WEBELOS

4th Grade or 9 Years Old

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ARROW OF LIGHT

5th Grade or 10 Years Old

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Badge of Rank Page



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Bobcat Adventure

The first required Adventure.



Required Adventures

After earning the Bobcat Adventure, begin working on any of the other Adventures. To earn the Lion badge of rank, complete all six (6) of the required Adventures.



Elective Adventures

There is no limit to the number of elective Adventures that can be earned. Two (2) elective Adventures are required to earn the Lion badge of rank, but more may be earned with the den, family, or pack.



Adventure Page

Lion - Kindergarten

Fun On The Run

REQUIRED



Snapshot Of Adventure

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Complete the following requirements

Activities to fulfill these requirements organized are below, Choose one activity of each requirement to complete Bobcat Adventure.

Requirement 1

Requirement 4

Get to know the members of your Den.

Requirement 2

scout law to you, demostrate your understanding of being friendly.

Have your adult partner or den leader read the scout law to you, demostrate your

Requirement 7

Have your adult partner or den leader read the scout law to you, demostrate your understanding of being friendly.

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Requirement 5

understanding of being friendly.

Requirement 8

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Requirement 3

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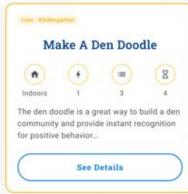
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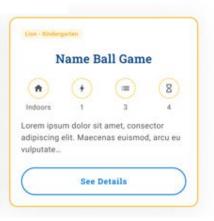
Activity Cards for Requirement

Requirement 1

Get to know the members of your den.









Activity Cards for Requirements

Location



Indoor



Outdoor



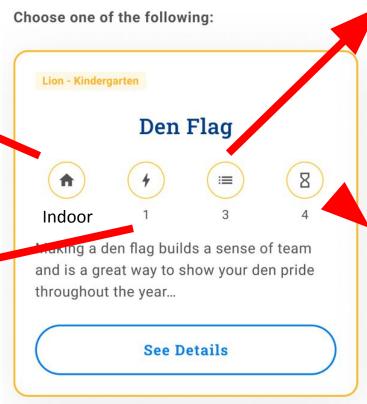
Travel

Energy Level

- 1- Very low energy listening
- 2- Low energy crafts
- 3- Moderate energy skilled crafts
- 4- High energy active movements
- 5- Very high energy running

Requirement 1

Get to know the members of your den



Supplies

- 1. None no supplies are needed
- Very little common household items
 - 3- Average low-cost craft supplies
 - 4- Above average common craft supplies
 - 5- Custom —custom or uncommon

Prep Time

- 1. No prep time needed
- 2. One to three days ahead of time
- 3. Three to five days ahead of time
- 4. A week ahead of time
- 5. More than a week ahead of time

Lion - Kindergarten

Fun On The Run - Long adventure name here

Requirement 1



Den Flag - Here Can Go A Larger Title For The Adventure Name

Snapshot Of Activity

Make a den flag builds a sense of team and is a great way to show your den pride throughout the year. make your den flag part of your opening and closing ceremony and bring it to your pack meetings and outings, your den flag is a great way to keep your den together when on an outing.









Indoors

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Supply List

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Additional Resources

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Final Thoughts



Summary and Resources

What does this mean for Occoneechee Council?







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NOVEMBER 2, 2024

8am-4pm

Pine Springs Preparatory Academy Holly Springs, NC

Registration Opens Sept. 1, 2024



Scan the QR code to let us know what you want to *learn* or *teach*!

University of Scouting 20th Anniversary

Please save the date!

Looking for Topics & Teachers now: https://linktr.ee/oc_uos

Open to all





Wood Badge Registration open now!

Sept 6-8 + Oct 5-6

Open to all registered leaders

More information online:

https://ocscouts.org/training/wood-badge/



You're Invited to Attend Wood Badge!

WHAT:

Are you an adult looking to strengthen your leadership skills? Empower others, especially our youth, to lead? Understand why BSA programs are structured the way they are? Deliver impactful programs in your unit?

Then Wood Badge is for YOU! The BSA's ultimate leadership training for adults, this course offers a 5-day immersion in the theory, practice, and experience of developing teams, communicating effectively, leading change, and much more. The skills, tools, and resources you gain will extend beyond scouting and can benefit your family, professional, and community life.

WHO

Just starting out as a leader or been in Scouting for decades? Wood Badge is the perfect fit! This course is open to all registered Scout leaders, ages 18+, in all program areas (Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, Venturing, Exploring, District, and Council) who have completed basic position-specific training for their role.

Most Importantly: WHY?

Wood Badge is based on the latest leadership theories, is team-based, experiential, and FUN!! Wood Badge staff is committed to serving you, our future participant, and giving you the tools to help you better serve your youth – both present and future!

HOW:

- Register at ocscouts.org/wood-badge
- Cost is \$325 for a once-in-a-lifetime experience (if cost is a concern, please let us know)

WHERE:

Camp Durant, Carthage, NC





Resources

- Program Announcement: https://bit.ly/CS_June2024_announce
- Program FAQ: https://bit.ly/CS_June2024_FAQ
- Cub Chat Live: https://bit.ly/CubChatLive





Questions?

All changes go into effect on June 1, 2024

