November 14,2026
Class Catalog

About the University of Scouting

The **University of Scouting** is the Greater California Council's premier adult training event, designed to help Scout leaders, parents, and volunteers build the knowledge and skills needed to deliver an outstanding program for their youth.

This **in-person-only** event features a wide variety of courses tailored to every level of experience, offering practical training, fresh ideas, and valuable resources you can take back to your unit. Beyond the classroom, participants enjoy a day of fellowship, networking, sharing best practices, and connecting with fellow volunteers who are passionate about Scouting.

Whether you're new to Scouting or a seasoned leader, the University of Scouting provides an exciting opportunity to learn, grow, and strengthen your ability to deliver the best possible experience for the youth you serve.

Location - In Person

Frances Ellen Watkins Harper Jr. High School
4000 E. Covell Blvd., Davis CA. 95618

The University of Scouting Theme

The Nov 14, Theme for University of Scouting is “Drive Success”

Using this catalog

This program catalog is being provided as a planning tool to help you maximize your University of Scouting experience. Please take some time to look through the catalog and read the course descriptions to see what classes you would like to attend. Courses are organized into Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, and General Courses. You may take any of the courses that are of interest to you.

Planning guide

Please see the planning guide near the end of this catalog, which you can use to map out your day to ensure that you do not sign up for two classes that are running concurrently, and also as a helpful reference during the day of the event to know which classes you signed up for. You will be given a class schedule at check-in at the multipurpose room. All classes are 50 minutes long unless noted as extended to 110 minutes. **Register early as the class sizes are limited and it’s first come first served basis.**

What do I wear at the UOS?

If you have a scout uniform wear it or a unit activity shirt, and if not, wear what is comfortable. (No jammies or slippers 😊)

What do I bring?

Bring a water bottle, lunch (if you haven't chosen the lunch option at registration), and snacks if needed. The Order of the Arrow will have a snack table with coffee, drinks and goodies to purchase. Most of the seats in the classroom are connected to the tables, **so if you feel your frame may be more comfortable in a camping chair, please bring one**. A wagon is good for transporting items.

Carpooling is suggested so you can save on gasoline and have fun coming as a group of friends. Can you imagine sharing what you all learned on the way home?

*****There is no childcare available,** so please leave your younger children at home. This event is for adults. (Exception are scouts attending the Den Chief training.)

Lodging Available for Long Distance Drivers

We have a block of 5 rooms until Nov 5th at the Residence Inn by Marriott 4647 Fermi Place, Davis CA 95618 Check-in 11/13/2026 530-747-2110
https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1775101922199&key=CORP&app=resvlink
Studio 1 king bed, sofa bed (2 double beds are available just call Natalia Hernandez to change your reservation.) Use Corp/Promo code D1723 $169.00 plus tax & fees with free cancellation until Nov 11

We also have a block of 5 rooms until Nov 5th at Prodigy Hotel (Days Inn) 4100 Chiles Rd., Davis 530-298-6535 $105.00 plus tax & fees= $119.90
Double queen rooms up to 4 people. Check-in 11/13/2026 at 3:00pm for 1 night.
Cancellation after Nov. 11 is non-refundable.
https://groups.wyndhamhotels.com/housing/boy-scouts-2026-faxbojwy
Friday Nov 13-Nov 14 Group Code Boy Scouts 2026

Scout Store Service for Your Scouting Needs!

Kathy Phillips, Manager of the River City Scout Store, will be at your service during our University of Scouting. If you want to order items for her to deliver to you at UOS then call the store at 916-649-1800 and place and pay for your order to be delivered.

There is more information on the Frequently Asked Questions page located on the registration site.

Training Records

Many volunteers are recognized for their service by earning a Training Knot or Key for the position they serve. Displaying these knots on your uniform lets others know that you have the training and experience to offer guidance and advice.
There are several Training-Knot awards available, so please download the requirements for your current position and review them carefully. Many of these awards require attendance at a University of Scouting, which you will have the opportunity to sign up for today.

Den Chief Training

24 Scouts interested in serving as a **Den Chief** should ideally be at a First-Class rank in Scouting or higher or be a Venturer/Sea Scouts member to attend this **3 ½ hour training course (Sessions 1-4)**. As a Den Chief, you serve as role models for the Cub Scouts you mentor and represent the highest standards of leadership within the pack.

Registration is $30.00 (with lunch option available $15.00 at registration) and will include a copy of the Den Chief training book, training cords, certificate, name tag, University of Scouting patch, folder, paper, pen and UOS facility. **The scout can sign up for any class in the 5th session to finish out the day**. Den Chief's will need to turn in a medical form AB.

Adult Investment

Adult Registration is $25.00 and you will receive a great program selection, University of Scouting patch, a folder with paper, pen, handouts, the UOS facility, and a google drive location that will contain all the handouts or other items the instructors want to share. Also included are instructor activities, a campus map, and your schedule with classroom numbers. Be sure to check out the "Pit Stop" where all our community partners will be showcasing the many activities you can participate in with your unit. The River City Scout Shop will also be there. Registration is at https://scoutingevent.com/047-119377

Check-in for everyone is from 7:45AM-8:25AM and will be in the multipurpose room. (Look for signs)

Everyone please line up by last name to pick up your folder that will include your schedule, map of campus, patch, lunch ticket if purchased at registration, then proceed to the gym.

Instructors can check in starting at 7:15AM.

Lunch Information

When registering, you will have the option to purchase a **Togo's box lunch for an additional $15.00**. Each box lunch includes:

- Your choice of one sandwich with vegetables with white/wheat bread:
  - Beef (no cheese)
  - Ham & Swiss Cheese
  - Turkey & Avocado (no cheese)
  - Turkey & Cheddar Cheese
  - Chicken
  - Cali Veggie with Avocado & Provolone Cheese
- Bag of Lays potato chips
- Chocolate Chip Cookie
- Bottle of water

All condiments, pepperoncini, napkins and water will be on the side. If you don't like a particular vegetable remove it, please.

The OA snack table will also have **sodas** available for purchase.
OR bring your own lunch. There is nothing close to the school to purchase food and get back in time to enjoy the "Pit Stop Midway", the multiple community partners, the Scout Store and activities in the quad.

From 11:30am-1:15pm please visit the **"Pit Stop Midway"** in the multipurpose room to visit with the variety of youth driven organizations that will support your scouting adventures. There will be additional activities in the quad.

Payments are made online at the time of registration. Course selections will be completed on a first-come, first-served basis and are limited to 20-28 participants per classroom requirements.

Registration will promptly close at 9:00pm on November 4 so register early to get the classes you want. We are expecting 300 people. We will NOT be taking walk-in registrations.

For assistance with online registration or questions email dianeweissnotary@gmail.com or call 209-327-4752

Opening

Starts at 8:30am in the gym.

Don't miss the opening. It will get your day started right. There will be songs, announcements, surprises, and lots of fun!

Schedule

All sessions are 50 minutes unless stated otherwise on your schedule.

Arrival & Registration	Morning sessions	Lunch & "Pit Stop"	Afternoon sessions
7:00-7:45AM Setup	**9:00 AM Session 1**	**11:50 AM – 1:10PM**	**1:15-2:05pm Session 4**
7:30-8:25AM Check-in	**10:00 AM Session 2**		**2:15-3:05pm Session 5**
8:30-8:50AM Opening	**11:00 am Session 3**		**Have a safe trip home**

Instructors & Volunteers

Staff registration fee is **$15.00** with optional Togo's box lunch option for $15.00.

Thank you to all our instructors, staff, and community partners for sharing your expertise and support throughout the University of Scouting. Your dedication and enthusiasm made the day an outstanding learning experience for everyone.

A special thank you to the staff of Harper Junior High School, the Davis Joint Unified School District personnel, and the Greater California Council staff for helping make this a fun, welcoming, and safe event. We truly appreciate everyone who contributed to its success!

Thanks to Vickie Bagley (bagleysvintageawards@gmail.com) for all the great advertising flyers and inviting all our community partners and special guests today to showcase their organizations, during the "Pit Stop Midway."

Thanks to the Order of the Arrow for a great snack shop and service.

DCT-1 Cub Scout Den Chief Training
Join us for a fun, hands-on, and informative 3 1/2-hour class for youth from a Scouts BSA Troop, Venturing Crew, or Sea Scout Ship to become a Den Chief to help lead a cub scout den. Class is limited to 24 participants who should ideally be at a First-Class rank in Scouting or higher to attend. Learn how to connect with a den, practice skills that engage with the Cub Scouts, build relationships, and provide service and leadership for Wolf, Bear, Webelos, AOL, den leaders and their pack. Most importantly, how to HAVE FUN!!! Participants will be provided with the Den Chief Handbook, Den Chief Cords, and name tag. For more information on Den Chiefs please check out the Scouting America link below.
https://troopleader.scouting.org/general-troop-information/troop-structure/
click on Den Chief
Instructor Andy Wertin 3 1/2 hours

Cub Scout Leaders

CS-1 Summertime Adventures for Cubs
Do you know what your cub scouts need to do to earn their Summertime Fun Elective Beltloop or Pin? It's simple: participate in three Cub Scout activities between May and August. These may include den meetings, cub scout pack events, day camp, or district and council activities. We will talk about the different events and activities available, simple ways to have fun, spend time with friends, and stay involved during summer break.
Instructor Kathy Neuburger 50 minutes

CS-2 Lion and Tiger Den Leader Forum
Calling all Lion and Tiger Den Leaders/Adult Partners! Join us for a fun, interactive forum packed with creative meeting ideas, games, adventure tips, and resources to help your youngest Cub Scouts thrive. Connect with fellow leaders, swap ideas, ask questions, and leave inspired for an amazing Scouting year!
Instructor Zabina Foster 50 minutes

CS-3 Pack Meetings with Pizzazz
For all Cub Scout leaders and parents. Plan and carry out a lively pack meeting that's fun and involves everyone. Add enthusiasm with songs, skits, cheers, games, costumes, props, and clever run-ons.
Instructor Bernadette Durbin 50 minutes

CS-4 Building an Effective Pack Committee
There is lots to do behind the scenes on the Pack Committee to make a pack run smoothly. In this session, participants will learn about the functions of the committee, who are the key players, who should do what, how to run a committee meeting and tips, problem solving, how to ask for help, and best practices for having an effective pack committee.
Instructor Valerie Lopes 50 minutes

CS-5 Craft Fun for Cub Scouts
Come and learn how to provide easy and fun crafts to do with your Cub Scouts! A variety of different crafts will keep your cubs engaged, provide a creative outlet, and help them express their true selves. The instructor will provide detailed information on how to plan, create, and deliver different hands-on crafts, along with demonstrations, tips, and tricks for easier set up and clean up when the crafts are done.
Instructor Karoline Li 50 minutes

CS-6 Webelos and Arrow of Light- Den Leader Forum
For current and future Webelos and Arrow of Light (AOL) Den Leaders to learn advancements, electives, and best practices for having a great experience, during your Webelos and AOL years. We will discuss the transition from Webelos to AOL and then what happens with troop visits.
Instructor **Sean Cooke** 50 minutes

CS-7 Wolf & Bear Den Forum
For current and future Wolf or Bear Den Leaders and parents. Tips, problem solving, electives vs advancements, and best practices for having a great experience with your cub scouts. Bring your child's rank book with you.
Instructor Kristy Crowell 50 minutes

CS-8 Start Your Engines: Planning Your First Pinewood Derby
Learn how to run a successful derby, including how to use a track, timers, awards, themes, build days, and how to manage your race day and pit crew. Throw in some "glow in the dark" paint and make it an exciting and fun event for all.
Instructor Sean Cooke 50 minutes

CS-9 Tie Slides for Every Occasion
Who says you must only wear your rank tie slide? Join us for a fun time learning how to make tie slides for all occasions, woggles, and creative ways to keep your slides organized. Bring your favorite slides to share and go home with new slides and fun ideas.
Instructor Trevor Strosnider 50 minutes

CS-10 What is a Den Chief and Why Do I Want One?
We are training young men and women to become leaders and one way for them to fulfill that leadership role in their unit is to volunteer to become a Den Chief. Understand their role as your den chief, how do you find one, what training do they receive, and what is your role in helping them succeed in providing positive and fun cub scout experiences?
Instructor Michael Speer 50 minutes

CS-11 Fishing 101 for Cubs
Build confidence, grow lifelong outdoor skills, and use fishing to recruit, retain, and inspire the next generation of youth. Discover how fishing can become one of your unit's most successful programs. Learn how to help cub scouts complete their fishing elective through fun, hands-on activities that are perfect for pack meetings, family fishing days, district events and council programs. Explore the resources, equipment and experienced volunteers available through the Greater California Council Fishing Team to make your next fishing event a success.
Instructor Scott Bowden 50 minutes

CS-12 Successful Cub Pack Family Campouts
Cub Scout Pack family campouts are welcoming, well-organized, and focused on fun. By preparing families in advance, teaching basic outdoor skills, encouraging participation, and creating a safe, supportive environment, leaders help campers of all experience levels build confidence and develop a lifelong appreciation for the outdoors. Learn how to help your unit prepare for an outdoor program activity, discover what equipment is required vs optional, help new families be paired with experienced campers, what should be on your detailed packing list, what amenities are needed for camp, and experience suggested activities to keep your cubs busy.
Instructor Michael Speer 110 minutes

CS-13 Scoutbook Plus for Cub Scouts
What is Scoutbook Plus and how does it fit into your cub pack advancement process? Who has access and the permissions associated with various leadership positions? How to log in using your my.scouting.org credentials and navigate the platform. Best practices for recording ranks, advancements, electives, awards, and other activities. How to approve, award and report advancements accurately to your local council. Whether you're new to Scoutbook Plus or transitioning from the Scoutbook Legacy interface, this session will provide practical guidance to help you confidently manage advancement records in today's digital Scouting environment.
Instructor Mike Landers 50 minutes

General Scouting Education

GE-1 Scouter Help Desk
Have questions about any Scouting program or issue?
Experienced commissioners and Scouters are available to help! The Help Desk will be staffed by a former board member and unit leader, along with current and former Unit, District, and Council Commissioners. These experienced leaders have seen it all-from starting new units to navigating challenging situations with parents—and are ready to answer your questions and share practical advice.
Attendees may drop in during a Help Desk session/lunch or pre-register by selecting a Help Desk session during event registration and have 50 minutes to ask all your questions to our outstanding council/district leaders. Please send advance questions to **Chris Ishikawa** at mrssm380@aol.com
50 minutes

GE-2 Strengthen Your Troop/Crew/Ship Through the Order of the Arrow (OA)
What is the Order of the Arrow and what is its purpose? Who started it, how did it start and where did it start? How is it organized and how does it fit into your Scouting program? From service projects to camping, promotions to additional older scout opportunities, and retention, and elections. Learn what the OA has to offer to support your troop, crew, or ship.
Instructors Lacey Mayeux & Allison Whitney 50 minutes

GE-3 Knots for Everyone!
Would you like to get better or learn knots and lashings from the Scout Handbook? Would you like to help scouts at every level see and understand their knots? Would you like to practice knots in fun ways that you can take back to your troop? Then this is the class for you!
Instructor Nate Roth 50 minutes

GE-4 "Stop the Bleed!"
What would you do if one of your scouts had a life-threatening wound on one of your outings? Learn from a CA Certified Instructor how to assess, act quickly, control, use a tourniquet, apply pressure, and pack a wound. Join us for a hands-on, lifesaving course and become certified in "Stop the Bleed".
Instructor Jennifer Williams, RN
110 minutes

GE-5 Supporting Neurodiversity in Scouting: Practical Tools for Working with Special Needs Youth
Scouting serves youth of all abilities, and an increasing number of Scouts are neurodivergent. Participants will learn and experience why Scouting is especially beneficial for youth with neurodivergent diagnoses and review current trends prevalence of these conditions within Scouting-aged populations. Neurodivergence as an umbrella describing individuals whose brain function differently from societal norms, including autism spectrum disorder (ASD), ADHD, dyslexia, and Tourette's syndrome.
Explore their characteristics and how to help your youth reframe behaviors when they appear during meetings, outings, advancement, and leadership opportunities. David will include a high-level overview of medications commonly used for these conditions, including general purposes, precautions, and potential side effects that leaders should be aware of during activities and campouts (without providing medical advice). Participants will leave with a **Toolkit of Scouting and external resources** to help you be successful when working with youth, while preserving the aims and methods of Scouting.
Instructor David Mitchell 50 minutes

GE-6 The Servant as Leader: Robert Greenleaf's Servant Leadership Model and Scouting
Great leaders do not begin by asking, "How can I lead?" They begin by asking, "How can I serve?" This course explores Robert Greenleaf's groundbreaking philosophy of Servant Leadership and demonstrates how it aligns with the values, aims, and methods of Scouting America. Participants will learn the basics of servant leadership to develop stronger youth leaders through service, trust, stewardship, and empowerment.
Instructor Mark Wong 50 minutes

GE-7 Demystifying NCAP-National Camp Accreditation Program
Are you going to be the staff or organizer of a district or council event (Camp-O-Ree, Cub Scout Family Camps, Order of the Arrow, NYLT, Woodbadge, Baloo, or other national training courses)? You need to know about this…
The National Camp Accreditation Program (NCAP) standards are guidelines that ensure a safe and quality Scout program for **Short-Term Camp** overnight council/district events that are one, two, or three nights in length on or off council properties. Learn more about these standards and how to use them as a planning tool and then for assessment. Where can you find them? How do you use them to comply with your event? How to work with or become a Short-term Administrator?
https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/camping/short-term-camp/
Instructor Kathy Neuburger **50 minutes**

GE-8 New Parent Onboarding for Packs/Troops
How do new parents get informed (and active) in your unit? Discover how to keep new and current members informed on your unit's methods of communication, calendar, advancement procedures, training, fees, and parent participation.
Instructor Valerie Lopes 50 minutes

GE-9 Working Around the Four P's: Perspiration, Pee, Poop, and Periods in the Great Outdoors
Ladies: We choose our clothes, use the bathroom, and manage our temperature and water intake just fine at home, but how do we manage these things when we are outside, the Leave No Trace way? Come gain some background knowledge about women's backcountry hygiene concerns, learn about products on the market that alleviate these challenges, and learn some tricks and skills to share with your female scouts and scouters to help make everyone's outdoor life easier! Men are welcome to attend.
Instructor Maria Brown 50 Minutes

GE-10 Insurance - Protecting Your Scouts, Your Unit, and YOU!
What does BSA insurance cover? Is it enough? Should your unit carry additional insurance for adult volunteers? What level of coverage is recommended. These questions and many others will be answered in this class taught by a long time Scouter.
Instructor Dave Ishikawa 50 Minutes

GE-11 Scouting Around the World—How to Become Part of It!
Explore the world of international Scouting through World Organization of Scout Movement (WOSM) and discover opportunities including World and International Jamborees, camps, cultural exchanges, service projects, hosting international Scouts, and virtual programs. You will discover practical guidance and firsthand experiences to help youth and adult leaders connect with the global Scouting community and bring an international perspective to their Scouting journey.
Instructor Chris Geraghty 50 minutes

GE-12 Planning for Excellence (PFE) a Tool to Help Your Unit be a "Unit of Excellence".
Earn the **Greater California Council Unit of Excellence** patch and proudly showcase your unit's commitment to excellence. This recognition celebrates your unit's achievements and demonstrates your dedication to delivering a quality Scouting program. Participants will receive a **Planning for Excellence Guidebook** for either a Pack or Troop at no additional cost to understand the requirements for earning the **Greater California Council Unit of Excellence** recognition for 2026 and 2027. Start planning today, earn your recognition, and wear your Unit of Excellence patch with pride!
Instructor Paul Helman 50 minutes

GE-13 Adult Recognition & Awards
Discover all the awards for training, recognition, and service attained as a leader at all levels of Scouting (Cubs, Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, and Venturing). Included are the youth awards that may be worn by adults (Eagle, religious, etc.). We will discuss the proper way to display each award on the uniform and where to look for the requirements. Learn about the new Cub Scout and Den Leader knot requirements and how to fulfill those requirements.
Instructor Chris Geraghty 50 minutes

GE-14 Steps to Provide a Fun and Organized District/Council Event
You want to provide a fun event for cubs/scouts but don't know where to start? Join an experienced event scouter who will walk you through the steps to make your event successful. Decide on the theme, build a budget, advertising, registration information, flyers, event activities, overnight camping, short term administrator, insurance, range & target rules, Blackpug Software, building a staff, and much more fun! **Come with one new event idea, you would like to see your cubs or scouts' experience next year!**
Instructor Diane Weiss 110 minutes

GE-15 Religious Awards/Religious Emblems
How do you support a Scout's "Duty to God"?
All religious denominations have a program available for all youth in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts, and adults. Where do you find the information and how are the programs are implemented.
Instructor Wally Payne 50 minutes

GE-16 Safety and Care with Sharp Tools
Participants will review the requirements of the Totin' Chip and learn the proper setup of an axe yard and knife yard. The session will cover essential safety rules for using knives, axes, and saws while working with youth. You will gain hands-on experience in teaching proper tools: safety, supervision, and best practices for youth programs.
The course will also include instruction on sharpening knives, axes, and saws as well as guidance on when and how to use each tool safely and effectively.
Instructor Jim Halderman 50 Minutes

GE-17 High Adventure Camps-That Next Adventure!
Florida Sea Base, Philmont Trek, Northern Tier, Louisiana Swamp Base, ZBase, Chilkoot, Kandersteg International Scout Center, and Summit Bechtel Reserve, each provide a different experience to broaden your scouting outdoor experience. Rod will share his experiences to include what to bring, how to register, how to pay, costs, planning, and what to expect.

https://www.scouting.org/national-high-adventure-bases/adventure-treks
https://zbase.camp/
https://www.swampbasebsa.org/
Instructor Rod Nishikawa 50 Minutes

GE-18 Archery Equipment Maintenance for Program Sustainability
A sustainable archery program requires an inventory of well-maintained equipment for the range and for the archer. The purpose of the course is to prepare archery program managers to properly inspect and care for targets, nets, bows, arrows, personalized apparel, and range tools. Hands-on experience will include:

1. Restoring or replacing vanes on arrows
2. Restoring or replacing arrow-rests on bows
3. Comparing and selecting appropriate strings, stringers, quivers, bow stands, arrow pullers, personal accessories
4. Maintaining and repairing range tools, e.g. range finders, whistles, ropes, nets, banners, flags, cones, target stands, target butts, target faces, repair tools, etc.

Instructor Irene Hashimoto 50 Minutes

GE-19 Membership Ideas That Work Now and Quickly
Learn how to increase membership in your unit and get new leaders/volunteers at the same time. People are more likely to join when they see purpose, and more likely to stay when they have a role. A long-experienced scouter will help you recruit more kids and bring the adults along for the adventure.
Instructor John Drebinger 50 Minutes

GE-20 Cooking for Larger Group Events
Ensuring everyone's well-fed and ready for their adventure join a long-time experienced caterer to help you serve a great meal for everyone. Cooking methods, menu's, recipes, amount of food to purchase, food preparations, where to save $ and much more.
Instructor Sarah Bahrman 50 minutes

Scouts BSA

SBSA-1 Dutch Oven Cooking

If you have never tried a Dutch Oven for cooking on a campout, or had a bad experience with a Dutch Oven, this class is for you. We will cover the basics of Dutch Oven Cooking over a campfire and coals and pretend what we would cook will be tasty and hot. Take home great recipes, efficient tools, how to get that perfect temperature, and the best way to care for your cast iron pans and pots. Learn how to clean that rusty cast iron pot you have in your shed/garage and how to prevent that from happening again. Seasoned veterans are welcome to come and share their ideas and knowledge.

Instructor Dave Ishikawa 50 minutes

SBSA-2 How to Teach ILST to Your Troop Youth Leadership the First Time

The purpose of the (ILST) "Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops" course is to teach Scouts with new leadership positions about their new roles and the organizational and leadership skills needed to reach success most effectively in that role. Every time youth change leadership roles in your troop it's helpful to have your older youth teach the younger scouts how to engage, set personal goals and effective formation of their leadership team. Completion of ILST is a prerequisite for Scouts America to participate in the more advanced leadership National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE).

Instructor Jon Schrader 50 Minutes

SBSA-3 Tips on How to Conduct a Board of Review.

We will review the requirements laid out in the current Guide to Advancement requirements for a Board of Review. What questions are helpful to ask each candidate in a healthy and constructive way? How do you do a Board of Review for scouts not advancing? Discover the difference between each rank from Tenderfoot through Eagle. Great class for parents of scouts, advancement chairs, and committee members who want to sit on your troops next Board of Review.

Instructor Chris Tileston 50 Minutes

SBSA-4 Journey to Eagle from Life

If you are a parent or Troop Leader wanting a better understanding of the Eagle process, then this class is for you! We will go over the proper forms for the Eagle Project Proposal, Eagle Project Workbook and Eagle Application. Learn the process so you can be your Scout's advisor.

Instructor Chris Tileston 50 Minutes

SBSA-5 Introduction to Backpack Food and Cooking the Leave No Trace Way

There are many classes that teach backpack cooking from the perspectives of stoves, recipes, and nutrition, but often Leave No Trace is discussed as a quick thought at the end of the food and gear discussion. This course is designed to flip that script and begin the discussion with the seven principles of Leave No Trace, followed by practical, nutritious recipes and instruction on how to menu plan, cook, and clean using the guidance provided by the principles of Leave No Trace.

Instructor Maria Brown 50 Minutes

SBSA-6 How to Build an Effective Troop Committee
A troop needs an effective committee behind the scenes to run smoothly. In this session, participants will learn about the functions of the committee, job responsibilities, how to run a committee meeting and tips, problem solving, how to ask for help, and best practices for having an effective Troop committee.
Instructor Valerie Lopes 50 Minutes

SBSA-7 Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader's Council, and the Scoutmaster
Learn meeting planning and tips on how to communicate with your SPL and PLC. Want to make those PLC's more effective? Want to make your troop a more scout run unit? This is the place for you!
Instructor Jim Lopes 50 Minutes

SBSA-8 Annual Troop Planning: Striking A Balance
A discussion about a Troop's annual program planning session and how to form a balanced plan for your Troop, while maintaining a Scout-Led atmosphere. This session will discuss how to incorporate Troop traditions, changing Troop composition, and Troop goals.
Instructor Jim Lopes 50 Minutes

SBSA-9 Map and Compass ABC's
Build confidence in teaching one of Scouting's core outdoor skills: navigation. This course offers hands-on methods for helping Scouts master map reading and compass without a phone. Learn how to use a compass to find your way on the course set for you today. You may even learn how to use a compass with a bag over your head. ***Bring a compass if you have one.***
Instructor Jon Schrader 50 Minutes

SBSA-10 When Eve Hits the Trail-Backpacking Experiences in the Great Outdoors
Come discover the wonderful world of backpacking with an experienced backpacker who has spent more than six decades exploring the trails-and is still going strong. This engaging presentation will cover great places to backpack, how to obtain wilderness permits, food planning and meal ideas, essential equipment and gear, and Leave No Trace principles for protecting our great outdoors. We'll wrap up with a slideshow designed to inspire your next outdoor adventure.
Instructor Karen Drebinger 50 Minutes

SBSA-11 Scoutbook Plus for Scouts BSA Adults and Advancement Chairs
What is Scoutbook Plus and how does it fit into the Scouting advancement process? Who has access and the permissions associated with various leadership positions? How to log in using your my.scouting.org credentials and navigate the platform. Best practices for recording ranks, merit badges, awards and other advancement. How to approve, award and report advancements accurately to your local council. Whether you're new to Scoutbook Plus or transitioning from the Scoutbook Legacy interface, this session will provide practical guidance to help you confidently manage advancement records in today's digital Scouting environment.
50 Minutes

SBSA-12 Dive into the Scout Swim Test
For scouts to participate in the aquatic programs, scouts must be adept in and around water. With this purpose in mind, the Greater California Council and Sacramento Central Y have teamed up to conduct swim tests under the supervision of a qualified scout leader and the observation of a certified Y lifeguard. On the first Sundays of each month, scouts can be tested and rated on their swimming abilities according to the BSA requirements. The purpose of this course is to prepare scout leaders to supervise the various swim tests, e.g. BSA Swim Test, Swimming MB Swim Test, Lifesaving MB Swim Test. Participants will perform a simulation of the swim tests and their components, such as the various swim strokes, and practice how to explain, describe, and model the components of the swim tests to their youth. **Prerequisite for the course is an ACTIVE (not passive) knowledge of the principles in "Safe Swim Defense" and "Safety Afloat" guidelines found on my.scouting.org** Participants will be asked to identify the principles at the start of this course.
Instructor Irene Hashimoto 50 Minutes

SBSA-13 Keeping Youth and Adults Safe During High Adventure Activities
This training will focus on keeping youth and adult volunteers safe while engaging in outdoor activities, such as multiday backpacking trips, hiking, and canoeing trips. We will review Scouting America's SAFE principles and guidance from the Guide to Safe Scouting. We'll also discuss specific safety concerns with hiking and backpacking and discuss safety during other high adventure outings.
Instructor Charles Potter 50 Minutes

SBSA-14 Scout to First Class Rank
How to plan a rotational program that helps scouts consistently earn their ranks from Scout to First Class within the Troop program AND how to keep it in the program for the new scouts who enter each year.
Instructor Rod Nishikawa 50 Minutes

SBSA-15 Arrow of Light to Scouts BSA
When Scouts bridge from Arrow of Light to a Troop, families often expect the experience to feel like a natural continuation of Cub Scouts. We will discuss how to help your parents understand the program, manage expectations, how to retain our AOL's and how we can help with the transition to keep them.
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SBSA-16 STEM Activities That are Fun and Help Scouts Complete Merit Badge Requirements.

Scouts have fun while learning STEM skills and concepts—and completing merit badge requirements. The activities provided in this class have been tested at camporees, summer camps, troop and pack events, and the International Sportsmen's Expo.

- Send Morse Code through plastic fiber-optic cable using light (a flashlight, sunlight, or ambient light). This activity simulates the Internet.
- Program an Arduino to power a 3-color LED to send Morse Code through plastic fiber optic cable. (Easy to do.)
- Make a bead bracelet or necklace that spells a name in Morse code. An excellent gift idea for Mother's Day or Father's Day.
- Create a 3D topographical map using lasers. One can change the simulated terrain and instantly observe the changes to the topography map.
- Create a customized star chart to identify stars and constellations

Instructor Carl Block 50 Minutes

University of Scouting Schedule

Den Chief Training DCT-1

Session 1 9:00 AM	Session 2 10:00AM	Session 3 11:00AM	Session 4 1:15PM	Session 5 2:15pm
Den Chief Training Sessions 1-4	Den Chief Training	Den Chief Training	Den Chief Training	Pick a class from any of the other classes available
				GE-16, GE-17, GE-3, GE-9, SBSA-16, SBSA-2

Cub Scouts

Session 1 9:00 AM	Session 2 10:00AM	Session 3 11:00AM	Session 4 1:15PM	Session 5 2:15pm
CS-1 Summertime Adventures for Cubs 50 minutes	CS-3 Pack Meetings with Pizzazz 50 minutes	CS-4 Building an Effective Pack Committee 50 minutes	CS-5 Craft Fun for Cub Scouts 50 minutes	CS-3 Pack Meeting with Pizzazz 50 minutes
CS-2 Lion & Tiger Den Leader Forum 50 minutes	CS-8 Start Your Engines: Planning Your First Pinewood Derby 50 minutes	CS-5 Craft Fun for Cub Scouts 50 minutes	CS-6 Webelos & Arrow of Light-Den leader Forum 50 minutes	CS-9 Tie Slides for Every Occasion

CS-7 Wolf & Bear Den Leader Forum 50 minutes	CS-11 Fishing 101 for Cubs 50 min	CS-8 Start Your Engines: Planning Your First Pinewood Derby 50 minutes	CS-10 What is a Den Chief and Why Do I Want One? 50 minutes	CS-11 Fishing 101 for Cubs 50 minutes
CS-9 Tie Slides for Every Occasion 50 Minutes		CS-13 Scoutbook Plus for Cub Scouts 50 minutes	CS-13 Scoutbook Plus for Cub Scouts 50 minutes	
CS-12 Successful Cub Pack Family Campouts 110 minutes session 1 & 2				

General Scouting Education

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5
GE-1 Scouting Help Desk 50 minutes	GE-1 Scouting Help Desk 50 minutes	GE-1 Scouting Help Desk 50 minutes	GE-1 Scouting Help Desk 50 minutes	GE-1 Scouting Help Desk 50 minutes
GE-4 Stop the Bleed 110 minutes	GE-2 Strengthen Your Troop/ Crew/Ship Through the Order of the Arrow (OA)	GE-10 Insurance-Protecting Your Scouts, Your Unit, and YOU! 50 minutes	GE-4 Stop the Bleed 110 minutes	GE-3 Knots for Everyone! 50 minutes
GE-5 Supporting Neurodiversity in Scouting-Practical Tools for Working with Special Needs Youth 50 minutes	GE-5 Supporting Neurodiversity in Scouting-Practical Tools for Working with Special Needs Youth 50 minutes	GE-12 Planning for Excellence, PFE, a Tool to Help Your Unit be a "Unit of Excellence" 50 minutes	GE-13 Adult Recognition & Awards 50 minutes	GE-8 New Parent Onboarding for Packs/Troops 50 minutes
GE-6 The Servant as Leader: Robert Greenleaf's Servant Leadership Model & Scouting 50 minutes	GE-7 Demystifying NCAP-National Camp Accreditation Program 50 minutes	GE-19 Membership Ideas That Work Now and Quickly 50 minutes	GE-14 Steps to Provide a Fun and Organized District/Council Event 110 minutes	GE-09 Working Around the Four P's: Perspiration, Pee, Poop, and Periods in the Great Outdoors 50 minutes
GE-9 Working Around the Four P's: Perspiration, Pee, Poop, and Periods in the Great Outdoors 50 minutes	GE-8 New Parent Onboarding for Packs/Troops 50 minutes	GE-20 Cooking for Larger Group Events 50 minutes	GE-16 Safety & Care with Sharp Tools 50 minutes	GE-11 Scouting Around the World-How to Become Part of It! 50 minutes

GE-13 Adult Recognition & Awards 50 minutes	GE-15 Religious Awards/Religious Emblems 50 minutes		GE-18 Archery Equipment Maintenance for Program Sustainability 50 minutes	GE-12 Planning for Excellence, PFE, a Tool to Help Your Unit be a "Unit of Excellence."
GE-20 Cooking for Larger Group Events 50 minutes				GE-16 Safety & Care with Sharp Tools 50 minutes
				GE-17 High Adventure Camps-That Next Adventure 50 minutes

Scouts BSA

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5
SBSA-**7** Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader's Council, and the Scoutmaster 50 minutes	SBSA-1 Dutch Oven Cooking 50 minutes	SBSA-2 How to Teach ILST to Your Troop Youth Leadership the First Time 50 minutes	SBSA-4 Journey to Eagle from Life 50 minutes	SBSA-2 How to Teach ILST to Your Troop Youth Leadership the First Time 50 minutes
SBSA-11 Scoutbook Plus for Scouts BSA Adults & Advancement Chairs 50 minutes	SBSA-14 Scout to First Class Rank 50 minutes	SBSA-3 Tips on How to Conduct a Board of Review 50 minutes	SBSA-5 Introduction to Backpack Food & Cooking the Leave No Trace Way 50 minutes	SBSA-7 Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader's Council, and the Scoutmaster 50 minutes
SBSA-13 Keeping Youth and Adults Safe During High Adventure Activities 50 Minutes		SBSA-8 Annual Troop Planning: Striking a Balance 50 minutes	SBSA-6 How to Build an Effective Troop Committee 50 minutes	SBSA-16 STEM Activities That are Fun and Help Scouts Complete Merit Badge Requirements 50 minutes
		SBSA-12 Racing Dive into the Scout Swim Test 50 minutes	SBSA-9 Map and Compass ABC's 50 minutes	

		SBSA-13 Keeping Youth & Adults Safe During High Adventure Activities 50 minutes	SBSA-10 When Eve Hits the Trail-Backpacking Experiences in the Great Outdoors 50 minutes	
		SBSA-15 Arrow of Light to Scouts BSA 50 minutes		

University of Scouting planning guide

Use the guide below to plan your day and reference as needed during the event.

Time	Course Code	Course Name	Classroom	Notes
9 am	*Ex SBSA01*			
10 am				
11 am				
12	Lunch & "Pit Stop Midway" Scout Store Scouting Help Desk			
1:15				
2:15				
3:10	Drive Home Safely!			