

# 2025 Northeast Illinois Scouting University

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




Registration: 7:45am











Welcome & Opening Ceremonies: 8:00am

Below is the list of courses with a short description for each.

Please note that the Course Title might differ slightly when you register online.

#	Course Title & Description	Program/s	Audience
1	<b>ADD/ADHD &amp; Autism Accommodations and Expectations (2 hrs)</b> Learn about accommodating and managing Scouts with ADD/ADHD and autism.	  	Adults
2	<b>Special Needs Scouting (2 hrs)</b> Understand how to include and support Scouts with special needs.	  	Adults
3	<b>Year-Round Recruiting of Scouts (1 hr)</b> Explore strategies for recruiting Scouts throughout the year.	  	Adults
4	<b>Retention of Scouts (1 hr)</b> Learn ways to keep Scouts engaged and prevent drop-offs.	  	Adults
5	<b>Basic Birding Class (1 hr)</b> Gain an introduction to birding for leaders working with Cubs and Troops.	 	Adults
6	<b>Recognizing Adult Volunteers (1 hr)</b> Discover creative ways to show appreciation for adult volunteers.	  	Adults
7	<b>Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Position Specific (SM/ASM) (4 hrs)</b> Position-specific training for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters.		Adults
8	<b>Scouting Advancement Coordinator (1 hr)</b> Learn how to coordinate and encourage advancement within your unit.		Adults
9	<b>Ceremonies for Packs and Dens (1 hr)</b> Plan engaging and meaningful ceremonies for Cub Scouts and their parents.		Adults
10	<b>Boards of Review - Scouting America (1 hr)</b> Master the process of conducting Boards of Review for troop units.	 	Adults

11	<b>Merit Badge Counselors (1 hr)</b> Complete the required training for merit badge counselors.		Adults
12	<b>Cub Scout Activities and Outings (1 hr)</b> Learn how to organize fun activities like Pinewood Derbies and field trips.		Adults
13	<b>Cub Scout Leader Training (3 hrs)</b> Required training for Cubmasters, Den Leaders, and Pack Committee members.		Adults
14	<b>High Adventure (1 hr)</b> Discover exciting high-adventure opportunities for Scouts.	 	Youth/Adults
15	<b>Getting ILST/ILSC Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops/Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews started in your unit (1 hr)</b> Learn how to run this program annually in your troop or crew to prepare youth leaders.	 	Adults
16	<b>Arrow of Light to Troop Unit Transition (1 hr)</b> Support Cub Scouts transitioning smoothly into Troops.	 	Adults
17	<b>Scout Age Characteristics &amp; Behavior (1 hr)</b> Understand the characteristics of Scouts at different ages and how to manage them.	  	Adults
18	<b>Service Projects (1 hr)</b> Explore service project opportunities and how to get your unit involved.	  	Adults
19	<b>Troop Committee Challenge - Required Training for all Troop Committee Members (3 hrs)</b> Complete your Troop Committee position-specific training.		Adults
20	<b>Scoutbook (1 hr)</b> Discover how to use Scoutbook to keep all your unit records up to date.	  	Adults
21	<b>Knot Tying (1 hr)</b> Learn and practice important knots for outdoor and pioneering use.	  	Youth/Adults
22	<b>Lashings (1 hr)</b> Master essential lashings to enhance your outdoor skills.	  	Youth/Adults
23	<b>Scouting America Protestant and Independent Christian Religious Emblems (1 hr)</b> Learn about religious emblems for Protestant and Independent Christian Scouts.	  	Youth/Adults
24	<b>Outdoor Cooking (1 hr)</b> Discover tips for preparing delicious meals during outdoor adventures.	  	Youth/Adults
25	<b>Outdoor Ethics (4 hrs)</b> Understand how to conduct an outdoor ethics program for your unit.	  	Youth/Adults

26	<b>CPR/AED Instructor (2 hrs)</b> Earn your CPR/AED certification. NOTE: an additional fee of \$65 applies to this course.		Youth/Adults
27	<b>High Adventure “Worth the Weight” (1 hr)</b> Learn how to pack efficiently for camping and backpacking adventures.		Youth/Adults
28	<b>Intro to Cold Weather Camping (2 hrs)</b> Get tips on gear, clothing, and techniques to stay warm and dry in cold weather outings and campouts.		Youth/Adults
29	<b>Scout’s Own Service/Duty to God (1 hr)</b> Ideas for running meaningful Scout’s Own services and exploring religious emblems.		Youth/Adults
30	<b>Cub Scout Crafts (1 hr)</b> Discover creative craft projects to inspire Cub Scouts.		Adults
31	<b>Scouting America Religious Emblems (30 min)</b> Learn about the religious emblems offered by Scouting America.		Youth/Adults
32	<b>Scouting America Catholic Religious Emblems (2 hrs)</b> Complete training on Catholic religious emblems and counseling.		Youth/Adults
33	<b>Venturing Crew Adult Leader Training (1 hr)</b> Complete this training to gain a general introduction to Venturing leadership.		Adults
34	<b>Mentor Training for Venture Crews (2 hrs)</b> Understand how mentoring fosters growth in Venturing crews.		Youth/Adults
35	<b>Project Management for Venturing Crews (2 hrs)</b> Prepare Venturers to identify, plan, and execute projects effectively.		Youth/Adults
36	<b>Engaging older Youth in Troops and Venturing Crews (1 hr)</b> Learn strategies for keeping older youth engaged in Scouting programs.		Youth/Adults

In the matrix below, the classes are color coded to indicate the targeted audiences for each. Our goal was to make it easy for Leaders to attend as many tracks as possible for their training needs.

Lesson Track Colors			
Cub Scouts	Troops	14+ and Venturing	Special Needs
Advancement	Religious	General/All	CPR

Pro Tip: Coordinate with other leaders in your unit to cover more ground when scheduling classes, and then come together to share what each of you learned.

Session 1 8:15-9:15a	Session 2 9:15-10:15a	Session 3 10:15-11:15a	Session 4 11:15a-12:15p	12:15-1p	Session 5 1-2p	Session 6 2-3p	Session 7 3-4p	4-5pm (only for SM/ASM)
			Outdoor Cooking	Lunch				
Getting ILST/ILSC Started In Your Unit	Troop Committee Challenge (3 hrs)			Lunch	Troop Committee Challenge (3 hrs)			
Cub Scout Leader Training (3 hrs)			Cub Scout Activities and Outings	Lunch	Cub Scout Crafts	Ceremonies for Packs & Dens	Arrow of Light to Troop Transition	
Venturing Crew Adult Leader Training	Engaging Older Youth in Troops and Venturing Crews	Mentoring Training for Venturing Crews (2hrs)		Lunch	Project Management for Venturing Crews (2 hrs)			
Year-Round Recruiting of Scouts	Special Needs Scouting	ADD/ADHD & Autism Accommodations and Expectations	Scout Age Characteristics & Behavior	Lunch	Special Needs Scouting	ADD/ADHD & Autism Accommodations and Expectations	Recognizing Adult Volunteers	
Outdoor Ethics (4 hrs)				Lunch	Boards of Review	Service Projects		
Scoutbook	Merit Badge Counselors	Scouting Advancement Coordinator	Retention of Scouts	Lunch	ScoutBook	Merit Badge Counselors		
Scoutmaster / Asst. Scoutmaster Specific Training [SM/ASM] (4 hrs)				Lunch	Scoutmaster / Asst. Scoutmaster Specific Training [SM/ASM] (4 hrs)			
Scouting America Catholic Religious Emblems (2hrs)		Scouting America Protestant and Independent Christian Religious Emblems	Scouting America Religious Emblems (30m)	Lunch	Scout's Own Service / Duty to God	Scouting America Religious Emblems (30m)		
CPR (3 hrs)			Basic Birding Class	Lunch	CPR (3 hrs)			
Intro to Cold Weather Camping	High Adventure	High Adventure "Worth the Weight"	Intro to Cold Weather Camping	Lunch	Knot Tying	Lashings		