

BALOO

BALOO is a fun, exciting, and required training for anyone in your Cub Scout Pack who is responsible for conducting a Pack family campout. It is recommended that each Pack have at least 2 BALOO trained adults.

What is BALOO?

BALOO stands for Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation. It's designed to introduce Cub Scout leaders to the opportunities for pack overnight camping.

This is an energetic training that will cover everything you need to know to plan and run a pack overnighter. It's more than just camping—it includes ideas for outdoor activities, games, and ceremonies; information on selecting and using camping equipment; how to run a campfire program; and hands-on Cub Scout & Webelos cooking demonstrations! In short, everything you need to know to make your pack overnighter a fun, successful event!

Why do I need BALOO?

BSA has made several changes to the camping policy for Cub Scouts, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Scouts recently. In addition to participating in council camps (day camp), packs may also organize overnight campouts for scouts and their families. Adult leaders who are responsible for a Cub Scout Pack overnighter must be BALOO trained.

Where and When is BALOO?

November 7 - 8, 2026

Eykamp Scout Center, 3501 E. Lloyd Expressway, Evansville, Indiana 47715

Check-in begins at 7:30am CT on November 7th (***Please eat before you arrive***)

Course ends approx. Noon CT on November 8th

Online training (<https://my.scouting.org/>) is required to officially complete course

Registration is due November 1, 2026

Course cost is \$50 and includes training materials and meals on Saturday & Sunday

What to Bring—Personal Camping Equipment; Participants Will Be Outdoors Much of the Time

Scout Field Uniform	Cub Scout or Webelos Handbook	Notebook and pencil
Weather appropriate clothing	Water bottle and cup	Flashlight and extra batteries
Sleeping pad, bag, blankets	Tent w/poles, stakes, ground cloth	Small backpack
Rain gear	Boy Scout Medical Form Parts A&B1/2	

Personal Gear

Personal hygiene kit	Soap	Mess kit
Camp chair	Laundry bag	Insect repellent

To register, go to <https://www.buffalotracecouncil.org/>

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