What is Wood Badge?

Reflecting the best of nearly a century of Scouting experience, Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles and successful organizations throughout the country.

Wood Badge training was begun by Baden Powell in 1919 as a way to insure that the leaders of Scout troops were properly trained. Since then Wood Badge has been held worldwide, providing advanced leadership training to thousands of Scout leaders.

Wood Badge builds upon the best traditions and experiences of the Boy Scouts of America and also draws from a wide range of courses within and beyond the bounds of Scouting to present the latest in leadership theory and team development.

"Wood Badge opened my eyes to the vast diversity within Scouting and how Scouting helps all people."

– CARSON HOLMES, GARLAND, TX

"Through Wood Badge my unit became more youth focused and youth led."

– JIM GROSSMAN, CHESTERFIELD, MO

"I highly recommend taking Wood Badge and taking it earlier in your Scouting career, rather than later."

– CHAS CLIFTON, PORT NECHES, TX

WOOD BADGE

TAKE YOUR UNIT
TO THE
NEXT LEVEL

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Wood Badge is designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of all Scouters, particularly unit level Scouters, such as
Cub leaders, Scoutmasters and assistants, Venturing Crew Advisors, Committee Chairs and members.
Additionally Scouters serving at the district and council levels can achieve greater effectiveness through Wood Badge.
To attend a Wood Badge course, individuals must:

1. Be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. (Youth 18 and older may attend as long as the appropriate Youth Protection guidelines are followed. They do not need to be registered in an adult leadership role.)
2. Have completed the basic training courses for their Scouting position.
3. Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment. All participants are required to complete the Annual Health and Medical Record form.

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Dates:
Weekend 1: August 21 -23, 2020
Weekend 2: September 5 - 6, 2020

Where:
Old Ben Scout Reservation
Cato, IN

Cost:
$230 Includes training materials, all meals, t-shirt, and hat

$50 Deposit due at registration

Register at:
https://scoutingevent.com/156-WoodBadge2020

Financial assistance for course tuition is available. Please contact the council office for information.

Course Director:
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WHY ATTEND?

By taking Wood Badge, Scouters will acquire valuable tools such as listening, communicating, conflict management, project planning and leading change. Participants will better learn to understand and appreciate diversity and differences in our society. They will learn skills that will make them a better Scout leader. Units with trained leaders are able to deliver an improved program and a more meaningful experience for the youth Scouting serves.

By attending Wood Badge, the participants will internalize the 5 themes of Wood Badge: Living the Values, Growing, Connecting, Guiding, Empowering.