

BALOO BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION & Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)

Dates: April 25 - 27, 2025

Check-In Friday: 5pm - 7:30pm

Check-Out Sunday: 11am

There will be no on-site registration for this training.

This event is occurring during the Five Creeks District Cub Camporee at Camp Collum.

If your Pack is attending the camporee, you will camp with your unit. Troop leadership is also permitted to attend for training; there will be a campsite for those attending without a unit.

Course Director: Cara Russell

Assistant Course Director: Jennifer Western

This is the Cub Scout leader training required for any Cub Scout den or pack outdoor event, including pack camping overnights and Webelos den overnights. BALOO training has two components—an online component and a practical, hands-on component. Both components must be completed to qualify as a “TRAINED” Cub Scout outdoor leader. The online component must be completed prior to the practical component (see below). The online training contains introductory and basic information that will be built upon during the practical training.

The practical, hands-on components will take place while at Camp Collum.

Scouting's outdoor program is a critical part of how the Scouts BSA program develops young leaders. While camping or participating in other outdoor events, your Scouts will challenge themselves to learn skills they've never tried before or maybe didn't think they could do. In doing so, your Scouts will work together as a team to overcome adversity when things don't go as planned; this is truly the magic of Scouting that no other program does as well.

To safely offer Scouting's outdoor program; however, you need a certain set of skills and knowledge – and that's why you're required to take Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (also known as “IOLS”) Training. You'll learn how to build a fire, use an axe, cook outdoors, use a map and compass, responsibly care for the outdoors, and much more. Even if you weren't a Scout as a kid, you'll come out of this course looking and acting like a seasoned camper. This course, combined with Youth Protection Training and the Scoutmaster-Specific Training course, will make you an “fully trained” Scouts BSA leader.

Please register for BALOO/IOLS for this event and then contact **Cara Russell at cara.russell@5creeks.org or (765) 437-4569.**

Prerequisites - Before leaving for camp

BALOO/IOLS - MUST COMPLETE HAZARDOUS WEATHER AT MY.Scouting.org AND BRING COPY OF COMPLETION.

BALOO - PRE-REQ TRAINING V2 - MUST COMPLETE AT MY.Scouting.org AND BRING COPY OF COMPLETION.

Must bring BSA Health Forms A-B and YPT Completion Certificate when checking in.

