

# 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 Scouts 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 of Scouting 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 Scouting America. (Youth 18 and older may attend as long as they are registered as an Adult Participant and are current with Safeguarding Youth Training)
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

### 2026 COURSE INFO

Orientation Meeting: Mid-August at Camp C.S. Klaus in Greeley OR Camp Ingawanis in Waverly

Weekend 1: Friday, September 18 through Sunday September 20, 2026 at Camp C.S. Klaus in Greeley, IA

Weekend 2: Saturday, October 10 through Sunday October 11, 2026 at Camp Ingawanis in Waverly, IA

### COURSE FEES:

- \$50 Non-refundable deposit to hold your spot (limited to first 48 participants)
- Early Bird Course Fee: \$255 total (when paid in full by June 1, 2026)
- Course Fee: \$275 total (when paying June 2 -August 8, 2026)

### REGISTER:

<https://scoutingevent.com/178-WB2026>



### CONTACT

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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.

