

## University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School)

### Class Catalog

#### Event Contacts

Name	Title	Phone	Email
Becky Landis	Chancellor	(616) 892-4898	beckyscouter@gmail.com
Dennis Shagena	Chairman - MCC Training Committee	(586) 291-6897	dshagena1@comcast.net
Patrick Higgins	Professional Partner - MCC Training Committee		Patrick.Higgins@scouting.org

Registration opens February 04, 2024  
Visit [www.scoutingevent.com/272-UofScouting](http://www.scoutingevent.com/272-UofScouting) to register



## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### College of Commissioner Science - Bachelors (2023 revision) (Scheduled Classes)



**BCS106 Coaching Leaders (Updated 08/01/2021)**

In this course a commissioner will become familiar with the new Coaching model and how to use it to better serve their units.

11-11:50 AM **Room:** 101



**BCS116 Collaborative Assessments (Updated 08/01/2021)**

This course examines and discusses the need for collaboration in assessing unit's strengths and needs to build a Unit Service Plan with the unit leaders and record progress in Commissioner Tools in working toward their goals.

12-12:50 PM **Room:** 103 **Instructor:** Cheryl Dorwin



**BCS107 Journey to Excellence (Updated 08/01/2021)**

JTE is the BSA's tool for helping leaders plan their program, monitor progress and access their Scouting success. Scouting success takes many forms, and JTE success employs a "balanced scorecard" as a result. The standards enable both large Scouts units and small ones to succeed - as long as they provide good Scouting to youth.

9-9:50 AM **Room:** 104



**BCS105 Resolving Common Unit Issues (Updated 08/01/2021)**

This course will build the commissioner's knowledge of the early warning signs of a unit in danger of failing as well as group discussions about how to support problem-solving of some common issues.

1-1:50 PM **Room:** 104

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### College of Commissioner Science - Continuing Ed (2023 revision) (Scheduled Classes)



**CED713 Advancement with Special Needs Scouts**

Learn how to go about getting approvals on adjusted advancement requirements for special needs Scouts.

1-1:50 PM      **Room:** 101    **Instructor:** Midge Savage



**CED716 Navigating Difficult Conversations (updated 12/31/2021)**

Scouting is full of conversations. Most are pleasant and productive - but at times, differences can arise. It occurs whenever people disagree over their values, motivations, perceptions, ideas, or desires. Sometimes these differences appear trivial, but they can trigger strong emotions. As commissioners, we need to be able to navigate these difficult conversations in a way that leaves everyone feeling heard, understood and valued.

9-9:50 AM      **Room:** 101

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### College of Commissioner Science - Masters (2023 revision) (Scheduled Classes)



**MCS352 Roundtable is Over - Now What (Updated 08/01/2021)**

The district roundtable isn't over when the last chair is put away or when the host has closed the virtual meeting space. There are things that need to be completed to help get ready for the next roundtable. This course discusses the importance of feedback and applying for successful future roundtables.

11-11:50 AM **Room:** 104



**MCS304 Service to Units at Risk (updated 04/15/2022)**

Early detection and systematic problem-solving is critical to support units when they encounter problems which may prevent them from functioning effectively. This class will provide the commissioner with ways to identify these units and to discuss the processes needed to support the unit's move toward performing as an effective scouting unit.

2-2:50 PM **Room:** 103

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### MCC - College of Cub Scouting (Scheduled Classes)



**CS105 Cool Cub Scout Ceremonies**

Provide great ideas for impressive opening, closing, and advancement ceremonies for your den and pack.  
11-11:50 AM Room: 106



**CS136 Crafts, Doodads and Fun Awards**

Easy and low cost crafts and awards for all ages. Need a craft for the gathering activity of a Pack meeting or Awards to present to a parent that volunteered? This is the class to come to.  
10-10:50 AM Room: 107



**CS137 Cub Leader Ideas and Problem Solving**

NEW or OLD Cub Scout Leaders get some tips, resources and ask questions of experienced leaders for Den and Pack meetings. Have a problem? This is the place to share it with others and get some outside help.  
2-2:50 PM Room: 107



**CS132 Cub Scout Hiking Club**

Looking for a way to get your Cub Scouts outside and active every month? If so, start a Pack Hiking Club! During this session you will learn what a hiking club is, ideas for hiking incentives, fun hike ideas, and some great hiking locations suitable for Cubs.  
10-10:50 AM Room: 105



**CS133 Cub Scout Program Updates Starting June 24, 2024**

Overview of the upcoming changes to the Cub Scout Program beginning on June 24, 2024. Discussions will revolve around the four areas of improvement: the Bobcat badge, Cub Scout Adventures, Webelos, and Cub Scout Awards.  
11-11:50 AM Room: 108



**CS108 Cub ScOUTing- Activities Besides Camping**

Keep the "Outing" in Scouting. Learn about local activities, events, and places to have great Outings in Cub Scouting.  
9-9:50 AM Room: 108



**CS138 How to Conduct a Derby (Pinewood, Space and Rain Gutter)**

Every Pack should hold a Pinewood Derby but it can be a bit overwhelming if you don't know where to start. There are also other fun derbies you can hold, like a Space Derby or Rain Gutter Regatta. Come learn and talk about what you can do in your Pack.  
10-10:50 AM Room: 110



**CS129 MCC Camps and Cub Scouting**

Let our Outdoor Adventure Team give you lots of great ideas on how you can use our camp facilities, such as D-bar-A Scout Ranch to enhance your Pack or Den Activities and create lifetime Cub Scout memories.  
9-9:50 AM Room: 106



**CS131 Planning Effective and Fun Pack Meetings**

During this session you will gain some new ideas, tips, and tricks to plan an effective and engaging Pack meeting. We will also be covering ideas on how to get more parents involved during the planning and execution of the meetings. Need some fun, new ideas for Pack meetings? We'll talk about that as well!  
2-2:50 PM Room: 110



**CS118 Planning Great Campouts for Cub Scouts**

What opportunities are out there for Cub Scouts to camp, what are the rules for Cub Scout camping and how to plan for your first or 100th camping trip.  
1-1:50 PM Room: 108



**CS120 Strictly for Cubmasters (and Assistants)**

You are not alone in your position. This course is an open forum for Cubmasters (and Assistant Cubmasters) to discuss problems, how to recruit more volunteers, and how to run effective pack meetings.  
12-12:50 PM Room: 110



**CS121 Strictly for Den Leaders**

You are not alone in your position. This course is an open forum for Den Leaders to discuss problems, how to recruit more volunteers and how to run effective den meetings.  
12-12:50 PM Room: 105

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

---



**CS123      The Pack Committee - Who Does What?**








We will look at the responsibilities of the pack committee and how it works with Den Leaders, Chartering organization, Parents and Cub Scouts.

1-1:50 PM      **Room:** 106

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### MCC - College of General Studies (Scheduled Classes)

	<b>GS182      Advanced Training Opportunity Highlights</b> Learn about Wood Badge, Sea Badge, Powder Horn, NYLT, NAYLE , and Kodiak. What is each course, who can take them and why should your registered adults and/or youth take them? 9-9:50 AM <b>Room:</b> 206
	<b>GS183      Adventure Point</b> Adventure Point is the region's premier youth and adult adventure center focused on team building, sustainability, STEM, leadership, and outdoor adventures for all ages. What is Adventure Point and its resources? How can your unit utilize those resources? 2-2:50 PM <b>Room:</b> 204
	<b>GS184      Campfire Building, Lighting and Safety</b> Learn the best ways to create campfire lays for heat vs cooking etc. Experience fun ways to start a campfire like flint & steel and fire pistons. Go over guidelines for campfire safety. 11-11:50 AM <b>Room:</b> 210 <b>Instructor:</b> Tod Landis
	<b>GS185      Camping Gadgets</b> Do you struggle with camping? Do you like gadgets? Come to this course and see some examples of "gadgets" that can make camping a little more...you name it! 9-9:50 AM <b>Room:</b> 210 <b>Instructor:</b> Tod Landis
	<b>GS110      Flag Ceremonies Are More Than The Pledge</b> Displaying, folding, and raising the flag, proper salutes and simple ceremonies will be discussed. In addition this session will also cover flag retirement. 12-12:50 PM <b>Room:</b> 301 <b>Instructor:</b> Dianne Coppock
	<b>GS186      Fun with Paracord</b> There are all sorts of useful things to be made from paracord. Learn useful designs to share with your units. Bring your own paracord. Minimum of 12ft of cord. 10-10:50 AM <b>Room:</b> 208 <b>Instructor:</b> Gretchen Carson
	<b>GS111      Funding your Scouting Year</b> Learn how to fund your ideal year of Scouting within your unit. 12-12:50 PM <b>Room:</b> 204
	<b>GS174      How to Handle Hygiene in the Field</b> Come for a discussion of best practices for handling personal hygiene while camping, backpacking, canoeing, SCUBA diving and beyond with a focus on female leaders and youth. 2-2:50 PM <b>Room:</b> 310 <b>Instructor:</b> Kim Mast
	<b>GS188      How to Start and Maintain a Unit</b> Whether it's a Pack, Troop, Crew or Ship there are basic requirements on starting a new Unit. What are the steps and requirements? How do you get more adults involved and keep it going? 2-2:50 PM <b>Room:</b> 301
	<b>GS115      Introduction to GPS/Geocaching</b> While map, compass, and orienteering have been parts of Scouting for years, the use of global positioning systems has grown from a military tool to a necessary part of the sport of geocaching (how to use multimillion dollar satellites to find inexpensive objects in the woods). 1-1:50 PM <b>Room:</b> 210 <b>Instructor:</b> Ken Chudy
	<b>GS191      Join Scouting Night Best Practices</b> How do you run a great Join Scouting Night event? This course will provide tips on holding a successful JSN. 1-1:50 PM <b>Room:</b> 303
	<b>GS137      Lunch Period "A"</b>  11-11:50 AM <b>Room:</b> Cafeteria
	<b>GS138      Lunch Period "B"</b>  12-12:50 PM <b>Room:</b> Cafeteria

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

---

**GS163 My.Scouting - Basics**

If you are a Key-3 member in your Pack, Troop, Crew or Ship; or a Commissioner, find out more about this online tool. Learn about Member Manager and Training Manager.

10-10:50 AM **Room:** 301 **Instructor:** Cheryl Dorwin

---

**GS189 Orienteering Basics**

Learn how to use basic map and compass. Be prepared to venture outside and ready for the weather.

9-9:50 AM **Room:** 203 **Instructor:** Herb Green

---

**GS190 Recruit and Retain - The Keys to a Healthy Unit**

What good is the Scouting program if there are not enough youth in it? Instructor led roundtable discussion on different ways to recruit youth and their parents. How do you engaged and keep them.

10-10:50 AM **Room:** 204 **Instructor:** Kim Mast

---

**GS168 Scoutbook Workshop**

Scoutbook Overview - The Where, What, Why and How!

2-2:50 PM **Room:** 208

---

**GS133 Trainers E.D.G.E.- Explain, Demonstrate, Guide, Enable**

The purpose of the Trainer's EDGE course is to provide and help develop the platform skills of a trainer. It is meant to supplement the practice offered through Wood Badge and National Youth Leadership Training staff development, with a focus on the participant, while raising the level of skill a trainer brings to the staff experience. This course helps prepare you to be a certified trainer within the Boy Scouts of America.

9-2:50 PM **Room:** 503

---

**GS187 Unit Finances**

How do unit finances work? How do you set up a checking account and who should be on it? Learn the basics and the BSA way on how to do this.

12-12:50 PM **Room:** 208

---



## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### MCC - College of Scouts BSA (Scheduled Classes)



**BS101      Backpacking- Equipment and Where to Go**

Learn the mental, physical, and equipment needs to lead an overnight or extended backpacking trip. In addition, information on various local and regional backpacking destinations will be provided.  
9-9:50 AM      **Room:** 307



**BS103      Board of Review Workshop**

Get the specific details to prepare for a Board of Review and to recognize the importance of them. Learn the recommended way to run and/or participate in a successful troop Board of Review.  
9-9:50 AM      **Room:** 305    **Instructor:** William Troskey



**BS136      Discover MCC High Adventure**

Discussion of High Adventure offered by the Michigan Crossroads Council Outdoor Adventures Group. Offerings right here in Michigan for Scout BSA Troops and Venturing Crews older youth programs of any sized group.  
12-12:50 PM      **Room:** 308



**BS150      Eagle Scout Project Coaching**

The best methods and practices of how to mentor a Life Scout through their Eagle project. Step through the form. Bring your questions.  
12-12:50 PM      **Room:** 304    **Instructor:** Bill Asakevich



**BS142      Get off the Beaten Track - How to Plan Successful Mid and High Adventure Trips**

From Sailing the Great Lakes and Backpacking Isle Royale to providing meaningful and unforgettable memories for scouts with trips and treks to Yellowstone, Glacier, Maine, Canoeing the Missinabi and multiple trips to the West Point Camporee. Instructor Rob Roux will share his experience from a number of treks.  
12-12:50 PM      **Room:** 306



**BS146      ILST and Your Troop/Coaching Youth Leaders**

Discuss the role of "Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops" (ILST) in your annual program, how it benefits all Scouts, and your role in assisting youth leaders in running the troop. Will also discuss additional youth leadership training opportunities. (Will include the youth in ILST)  
10-10:50 AM      **Room:** 303



**BS149      Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST)**

Learn skills to take your troop to the next level. Overview of the youth-led troop, leadership skills, and problem-solving for Senior Patrol Leaders (SPLs) and Patrol Leaders (PLs). Tailored for current or incoming SPLs and PLs, but all are welcome. This is an official training module and is an all day class.  
9-2:50 PM      **Room:** 602



**BS109      Knots - Advanced**

Learn what it takes to become a "top knot" and how to help your Scouts learn and teach the more unusual knots.  
1-1:50 PM      **Room:** 206    **Instructor:** Gracie Nanzer



**BS110      Knots - Basic**

Learn the right way to tie the favorite Scouting knots and learn some new ones.  
11-11:50 AM      **Room:** 206



**BS151      Life to Eagle Steps & District Advancement Team - S308**

Learn about the process that Life Scouts need to take to become Eagle. Put a face to the names before the Scout gets started, by meeting some of the District Advancement teams. Bring questions.  
2-2:50 PM      **Room:** 304



**BS113      Order of the Arrow: Using the OA to enhance my Troop's program!**

What is the Order of the Arrow? How does it serve your unit, the Council, and its camps? Find out how your troop will benefit from the appointment and inclusion of an OA representative and OA Assistant Scoutmaster.  
10-10:50 AM      **Room:** 308    **Instructor:** Mary Thomasma



**BS147      Scouts BSA Camping 101**

Do your youth want to get the most out of their camping experience? Get the do's and don't of camping with hints to make the campouts enjoyable and easy for all levels of experience.  
10-10:50 AM      **Room:** 306

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

---



**BS135 Starting a Linked Venturing Crew in your Troop**

Discover the benefits of a linked Venturing Crew in your Troop to retain your older youth in Scouting. Some of the most successful Venturing Crews operate side-by-side with a Troop.

1-1:50 PM **Room:** 307 **Instructor:** Chris Christensen

---



**BS116 Strictly for Scoutmasters (and Assistants)**

You are not alone. This course is an open forum for Scoutmasters to discuss problems, how to recruit more volunteers, and how to run effective Troop meetings.

11-11:50 AM **Room:** 310

---



**BS117 Strictly for Troop Committee Chairs**

You are not alone. This course is an open forum for unit committee chairs to discuss problems, recruit more volunteers, and how to run effective committee meetings.

2-2:50 PM **Room:** 308 **Instructor:** Darci Nanzer

---



**BS148 The Youth Lead Troop**

What does a Youth Lead Troop look like? Is yours really boy/girl lead? This can be a difficult thing to do, but is the BSA way. Listen to what the youth have to say. This is a forum conducted by Youth Leaders.

1-1:50 PM **Room:** 305

---



**BS132 Troop Trailers**

What to look for when purchasing a troop trailer. Ideas for organizing the inside of a troop trailer. Safety considerations when towing a trailer. How to get insurance. Bring pictures and bring your own ideas to share.

2-2:50 PM **Room:** 306

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### MCC - College of Sea Scouting (Scheduled Classes)



**SS102 Introduction to Sea Scouting**

What is Sea Scouting? What can it do for me as a leader? What can it do for my youth? A practical discussion of using the Sea Scout program to excite and retain older youth.

1-1:50 PM      **Room:** 203    **Instructor:** David Betz

## Class Catalog

University of Scouting (Allendale Middle School): University of Scouting Allendale Middle School at Allendale Middle

### MCC - College of Venturing (Scheduled Classes)



#### **VEN107 Goal-Setting and Time Management for Venturing Crews**

YOUTH ONLY TRAINING. Finding a successful time management strategy depends on a person's personality, ability to self-motivate and level of self-discipline. This course introduces established methods for improving a Venturer's ability to effectively manage the events in his or her life in relation to time.

This class is required for advancement to the Discovery Rank.

9-12:50 PM

**Room:** 401

**Maximum number of participants:** 30



#### **VEN104 Mentoring for Venturing Crews**

YOUTH ONLY TRAINING. Mentoring is a form of leadership and can be performed in a variety of circumstances throughout the Venturing program. This training is designed to help Venturers understand how to mentor other members of the crew and appreciate the role mentoring plays in personal growth and leadership for both the mentee and mentor.

This skills course is required to earn the Summit Award, the highest recognition level in the Venturing program.

1-2:50 PM

**Room:** 401

**Maximum number of participants:** 30