



WOOD BADGE

Wood Badge 2-412-24

Gorham Scout Ranch, Chimayo, NM

Sept 6-8 and Sept 21-22, 2024

The Great Southwest, Yucca, and Conquistador Councils invite leaders from all Scouting programs to experience exciting, action-packed Wood Badge leadership training.

Wood Badge is designed to provide leadership skills and experience for use in home units, districts, or councils and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

What is Wood Badge?

Reflecting the very 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 ensure 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.

Who Should Attend?

The simple answer is that it is you who should attend Wood Badge! 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. Wood Badge is even more fun when you share the experience with a friend.

Why Attend Wood Badge?

By taking Wood Badge, Scouters will acquire valuable tools such as listening, communicating, conflict management, project planning, and leading change. Participants will learn to better 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, and Empowering. The ultimate purpose of Wood Badge is to help adult leaders deliver the highest quality Scouting program to young people to help them achieve their highest potential. It models the best techniques for developing leadership and teamwork among both young people and adults.



Prerequisites to attend Wood Badge:

- Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America age 18 or older
- Have completed the basic training courses for your Scouting position
- Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment and attend both weekends. All participants must complete the BSA Annual Health & Medical Record (parts A, B, & C).
- Pay your registration fee in full.

Additional Course Information

The course cost is \$270.00 per participant. Scholarship opportunities may be available (please contact the course director).

Register at: <https://www.gswcbsa.org/content/117545/Wood-Badge>

Please contact the course director with any questions:

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