

Welcome from the Chancellor

All of our volunteers go beyond expectations to serve the youth of their communities, but as a Council, we only succeed because of you. Now after a 7-year absence, the Lake Erie Council is again offering University of Scouting on Saturday, March 16, 2024, at the Lorain County Joint Vocational School in Oberlin, OH. This is the largest supplemental training opportunity for adult volunteers in the area, offering 60 total classes, including 8 classes for youth. Our goal is to give you, the volunteer, the tools that you need to succeed, so we, as a Council can succeed.

Who should attend?

Classes are open to registered Scouters, as well as youth. Adults are invited to attend any adult class that suits their needs. You are encouraged to wear your uniform. Adults must be up to date with Youth Protection Training at the time of the event. You may want to bring a notebook, comfortable shoes, money for the Tradin' Post, and a smile.

What will there be?

During this fun-filled day, experienced volunteer leaders and local professionals will present programs to help you improve your skills and expand your knowledge. You will also be able to meet other leaders, gather new resources, and share ideas on building the best possible programs for your Scouts. Please find attached a schedule of classes, as well as class descriptions. There will be internet access for those that bring their computers, have a free period, and want to update their internet training programs, such as Hazardous Weather Training.

Six Colleges support the event:

- Commissioner College (Series 1000 classes)
- Cub Scout College (Series 2000 classes)
- General College (Series 3000 classes)
- Scouts BSA College (Series 4000 classes)
- Adventure Scouting College (Series 5000 classes)
- Youth College (Series 6000 classes)

This is a unique experience for everyone. This University of Scouting is designed to allow you to create your own customized experience. You can choose classes to arrange a curriculum according to your function, level of experience, and interest in Scouting. Class sizes are limited, so register early, and avoid being on a waiting list.

There will be Keynote Speakers at the opening Ceremony from Territory 9 that will speak about how the Boy Scouts of America is structured at the Territory level, and how they support the Councils. At the Closing Ceremony, there will be a special presentation by Baden-Powell himself!

What about Registration?

Registration can be done via the Lake Erie Council Calendar on the Council website https://lecbsa.org/.

Find the event on March 16, and open it up. Click the "Register" button, register for the event, and select your classes. Your registration fee covers 6 hours of class time, a University of Scouting patch with a rocker recognizing your level of attendance, morning snacks and coffee, and lunch.

Pre-registration is a MUST. All adult registrations made before midnight on Sunday, February 4, 2024, will get the early-bird rate of \$25. Adult registration between February 5 and midnight March 10 will sign up at the regular fee of \$30. Starting March 11, the late fee will be \$40. Youth registration is \$10 through March 10, with a late fee of \$15 per youth starting March 11. Registration is limited to 300 total participants, so register early to avoid being put on the waiting list for the event!

We will have a Midway area that will be filled with Vendors and displays. Displays from the 2024 Wood Badge and NYLT Courses will be on hand, so feel free to sign up!

I look forward to seeing all of you at University of Scouting 2024!

Yours in Scouting Service,

Dave Sechnick

Chancellor, University of Scouting 2024