

Bachelor Course Descriptions 2025

Course Number	Course Title	Course Description
101	Core Concepts of Unit Service	The position of commissioner is one of the oldest in Scouting. This course reviews and reinforces the core concepts of unit service and identifies the key skills needed for commissioners to be able to assess the units they serve.
102	The Unit and Membership Renewal Process	Unit and member renewals are now two separate processes. Commissioners participate in and support the timely, error-free completion of the renewals. This course will help the commissioner understand the new process.
103	Linking District Resources	Although commissioners are viewed as very knowledgeable and capable individuals, a key part of a commissioner's job is to link the unit to the district committee.
104	Contacting Units	This course examines the role of contacts between commissioners and their units. At the heart of unit service are the contacts commissioners make with their units.
105	Resolving Common Unit Issues	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.
106	Coaching Leaders	In this course a commissioner will become familiar with the new Coaching model and how to use it to better serve their units.
107	Journey to Excellence	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.
108	Mining Internet Resources	Commissioners are asked many questions and assumed to be experts on everything. Although they may wish to be an expert, knowing where to find information can make them a virtual expert. This course concentrates not on the local "who do you call" but on using the internet, in effect, mining internet resources.

109	The Essential Element (A Servant's Heart)	In 1970, Robert Greenleaf introduced the term "servant leadership" and wrote an essay titled "The Servant as Leader" which was later expanded into a book. This course examines how a servant's heart can make an impact in unit service.
111	The Commissioner and S.A.F.E. Scouting	BSA's Commitment to safety states that Scouting will not compromise the safety for all Scouts and their leaders and must be reinforced at every opportunity. All are responsible and must hold each other accountable to provide a safe environment. For a commissioner to support the units we serve we need to be aware
112	Recruiting Unit Commissioners	Recruiting is an ongoing need. Every commissioner has a part in the process. This course describes a process for the identification and recruitment of commissioners.
113	Welcoming, Engaging and Onboarding Commissioners	This course is an orientation for new commissioners and includes training requirements, onboarding, resources and more! It also helps the district and assistant district commissioners guide and support the new commissioners toward successful unit service.
114	Understanding & Communicating with Today's Leaders	We, as commissioners, need to understand the differences in relating to the generations involved in scouting and inclusiveness. This course encourages understanding between the different generations – particularly Generation X and Millennials – to help commissioners better communicate with their units.
115	Commissioners - The Single Best Resource!	An effective commissioner provides unit leadership with information and guidance in their specific program, whether Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts or Exploring. Change is a constant throughout the national level programs, and flowing down this information is essential to ensure quality programs for all BSA youth participants and program participants.
116	Collaborative Assessments	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.
117	The Commissioner & the Unit Key 3	This course examines the roles of the Unit Key 3, the role of the unit commissioner and the relationship developed through communication, collaboration and assessment.
118	Training, Development and Recognizing Commissioners	Training, Development and Recognizing Commissioners

119	Building Relationships	Building Relationships
120	Technology for Unit Commissioners	Commissioners need to know the best tools to use in providing great unit service. This course explains why these tools are the most effective, how to find them, and tips for using the information available in these tools to improve unit service.
121	Unit Service Tools for Administrative Commissioners	Within the suite of Technology tools, there are specific tools to assist administrative commissioners in managing the health status of the units in their district or council. This course will examine all of these tools and provide administrative commissioners with guidance on how to best employ them.
125	Commissioner Culture	Be the Heart, Build relationships, Change lives— is the Commissioner Culture Statement. This course will explore what this statement means and how to put our "culture" into action.
150	Roundtables in Unit Service	An effective roundtable is vital to the success of all unit service. This course reviews and reinforces how roundtables fit into the unit service structure by providing roundtable services to units and unit leaders.
151	The Roundtable Commissioner Team	An effective roundtable commissioner team is vital to the success of all roundtables. It is important that all members of the commissioner roundtable team understand the unique position of roundtable in the Scouting. Roundtable provides a different method of unit service, but it is just as important. Roundtable also supplements unit commissioner efforts by the program support it provides.
152	Planning, Implementing and Promoting Roundtables	In this course, the participants will be learning how to plan and implement a roundtable to best serve the units in their districts and councils. They will also discuss how to promote roundtables to units they serve and to new leaders.
153	Roundtables and Commissioner Tools	Participants will learn how to use the Roundtable tab in Commissioner Tools. They will also learn to create PowerPivot table reports. For a participant to be fully engaged in the course they need to have a computer to be able to access Commissioner Tools.
154	Roundtable Fundamentals	Roundtable is normally the first district event that a new leader attends. It is focused on FUN and giving new and seasoned leaders “the will to do, and the skill to do”. Roundtable is important not only for the leaders but for the youth they bring the information back to.

155	Ensuring the Success of the Roundtable Team	Ensuring the Success of the Roundtable Team
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