



2023

Course Catalog

Saturday, October 14, 2023

8:00AM – 4:00PM

McCann School of Business

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What is University of Scouting?

University of Scouting (UoS) is the premier one-day supplemental training opportunity for all Scout Leaders. UoS goes beyond Leader Specific Training to give knowledge and skills on specific topics that will help to deliver the promise of Scouting. The goal of UoS is to provide information that is practical and immediately useful on topics that are not readily available at the local unit or district level. UoS Instructors have skills and insights that have been developed through years of Scouting experience. It's also a great opportunity to network with other Scout Leaders, make new friends, and share best practices across the Council. Uniforms are recommended but not required.

Online Registration – Online registration is open at <https://scoutingevent.com/533-2023UofS>, and will close at midnight on Friday, October 6th, 2023. Registration for all leaders and youth participants is \$10. The registration cost for staff is \$7. Staff can register to take classes when they are not teaching. Please only register for the classes you plan to be a **participant** in. You do **NOT** need to register for the classes you are teaching. The per person registration fee includes attendance at six hours of University of Scouting courses, a patch, lunch, and certificates if earned.

Opening Assembly – At 8:10 am in room 119/121 our opening assembly will be conducted for all participants. Short welcoming and inspirational messages, pertinent information, and other last-minute details will be available in the morning assembly.

Class Schedules, Patches, and Certificates – An information packet for preregistered participants must be picked up at the Registration Area when you arrive. In this information packet you will find a personalized class schedule (including room assignments), a school map, and the 2023 University of Scouting patch.

Certifications and Credit for BSA Classes – Certifications and credit for official BSA training courses will be handled by the instructors of those courses.

Event Cancellation/Refund Policy – The Council will refund prepaid event or activity fees, less an administrative fee of 10% of all prepaid event or activity fees, for an indoor event/activity if the notice of cancellation or withdrawal is received in writing at the Scout Service Center more than 21 days prior to the start date of the event/activity.

The Council will refund 50% of all prepaid event or activity fees for an indoor event/activity if notice of cancellation or withdrawal is received at the Scout Service Center within the timeframe of 21 days or less before the start of the event or activity until the closing date of registration for the event/activity.

The Council will not refund any of the prepaid event or activity fees for an indoor event/activity if notice of cancellation or withdrawal is received at the Scout Service Center after the closing date of registration for the event or activity.

Classes - Before selecting your classes, be sure to review this entire packet. There are classes for your specific Scouting area as well as a variety of classes that span the full spectrum of Scouting to enhance your supplemental training. The day is structured with six periods (three in the morning and three in the afternoon), with lunch for everyone from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Many classes are only offered once. We encourage unit leaders to attend together so your unit can gain as much of the valuable information offered as possible. Classes will be 55 minutes long with 5 minutes to rotate to your next classroom.

Schedule – A personal schedule specific to each participant will be provided at check-in for all attendees.

- 7:30 a.m. Sign in
- 8:10 a.m. Opening
- 8:30 a.m. Period 1
- 9:30 a.m. Period 2
- 10:30 a.m. Period 3
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Period 4
- 1:30 p.m. Period 5
- 2:30 p.m. Period 6
- 3:40 p.m. Closing

Additional Information to Help Your U of S Day be a SUCCESS!

- **Class periods:** Most of the classes are scheduled for one period (55 minutes with 5 minutes to walk to your next class). There are some classes, such as position-specific courses, that are scheduled for multiple periods. Be sure to consult the schedule so you do not overlap your classes. (The online registration portal will not allow any participant to register for overlapping classes.)
- **Uniforms:** Uniforms are recommended, but not required.
- **Youth classes:** There are several youth classes being offered at U of S. There are also other classes in which mature youth (based on unit leader and parent/guardian discretion) are welcome to join.
- **Lunch:** Lunch is included in your registration fee. Lunch for the event will be pizza.
- **Parking and carpooling:** While there is ample parking, we encourage your unit to carpool (a great start to the Sustainability merit badge!).
- **No smoking is allowed on the McCann School of Business campus.**
- **Outdoor classes:** Cast Iron Cooking and Care will be outside. We encourage you to bring layers to help you keep warm and comfortable inside and out.
- **Individual schedules:** A detailed schedule, including classroom numbers and locations and a campus map, will be given to each participant at check-in on Saturday morning.
- **Scouting fun and learning:** Scouting is always more fun with a friend! We invite you to bring at least one friend, unit leader, or Scout with whom to learn and have a fun University of Scouting day.

Course Name	Course Description	Target Audience
Cast Iron Cooking and Care	Cooking in the great outdoors is one of the pleasures of camping and outdoor activities. Learn a few recipes you can pull out at your next culinary outing. Includes equipment clean up and preservation. After cooking your delicious creations, you will learn how to properly clean and care for the cast iron! Hands on, you will eat your creations! This class will be held outdoors.	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Youth, All Leaders
Chaplin Aid Training	A chaplain aide is a youth leader who works with the troop, crew, or ship chaplain to ensure all members have appropriate religious observance during outings. The chaplain aide helps other Scouts in religious emblems programs. Note: Chaplain aide <i>does</i> count as a position of responsibility for Scouts trying to earn Star, Life or Eagle.	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Youth
Cold Weather Camping	Learn the Do's and Don'ts you should consider when planning a campout in cold weather, along with learning proper gear and basic survival skills for cold weather.	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Leaders
Combined Den Advancement	How do you make sure your scouts advance when you are running a Wolf and Bear den together? Small packs sometimes don't have the leaders to run dens separately, so how do you combine dens and still make sure your scouts advance?	Cub Scout Leaders
Cultivating a Culture of Conservation	Learn how to help your unit pursue environmental projects in the community by finding the right opportunities, partners and other resources.	All Leaders
Decorative Knots	What is a decorative knot? A decorative or ornamental knot is an often-complex knot exhibiting repeating patterns. A decorative knot is generally a knot that not only has practical use but is also known for its aesthetic or ornamental qualities. Come learn how to tie some of these unique knots!	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Youth, All Leaders
Den Chief Training	A half day program for youth interested in becoming Den Chiefs. This training is designed for older Scouts that want to work with Cub Scout dens to assist the den leader. Interactive games and activities will make this program lot of fun. Bring the Den Chief Handbook. Must have the book with you the day of the University of Scouting.	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Youth
Den Chief's as a Role Model in a Pack	The very best role model for Cub Scouts is a Den Chief, because the Cub Scout wants to become a Scout just like him or her! Learn why and how the Den Chief is a vital resource to the Den Leader, as the Den Chief becomes a strong leader and the very best recruiter for their Scout troop. We will discuss Den Chief roles and responsibilities, the role of the Den Leader as a mentor to the Den Chief, the responsibility of the troop to work as a partner with the pack in selecting Scouts for Den Chief service, common misconceptions about Den Chief service, and the importance of communication and training to provide the best possible experience for the Den Chief and for the den and troop in which they serve.	Cub Scout Leaders
Detailed and Simple Assessments in Commissioner Tools	At least twice each year, the commissioner should do a collaborative, detailed assessment with the unit to determine its strengths and needs. Simple assessments can be done each time you contact your assigned units. Learn how to enter these	Commissioners

	contacts into the system correctly, and what that information can be used for when working towards setting goals and making improvements with the unit.	
District Committee Positions and Responsibilities	What are the roles of the District Committee? I'll take a position, what do I do now? What am I responsible for? Come learn what each role on the District Committee is and what responsibilities those positions come with.	All Leaders
Getting Scouts into Backpacking	Learn how to get scouts excited about backpacking and tips for the backpacking merit badge.	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Leaders
Guide to Advancement focusing on Special Needs Scouting	Learn how to use the Guide to Advancement in your unit. What do I do if I have a Scout in my unit that has different abilities? Can the requirements be altered? Do I need approval to make these changes? How to I get that approval?	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Leaders
Guiding Scouts from Life to Eagle	The Process to become an Eagle Scout can be confusing. Take this course to learn the timeline and steps to become an Eagle Scout so you can guide your units Scouts in the right direction when it comes to the Eagle Scout Process.	Scouts BSA Leaders
Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops, Crews, and Ships	ILST/C/S is the first step in the continuum of youth leadership training. It's a prerequisite for advanced leadership courses, including National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE). ISLC is a requirement to achieve the Discovery Award in the Venturing Program. ILSS is a requirement to achieve the Ordinary Seaman Award in Sea Scouts. This is a full day class. You must bring the appropriate handbook for the program you are in.	Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Youth
Merit Badge Counselor Training	Scouts deserve a trained Counselor!	All Leaders
Navigating Life to Eagle for Scouts BSA Youth	How do you get from Life rank to Eagle Scout? Is there an order I should be doing things? What should I keep in mind while working through these ranks?	Scouts BSA Youth
New Leader Boot Camp	You're a new leader...now what? What do all of these acronyms mean that I keep on hearing? What is expected of me? This class will be an introduction to all things Scouting for any new leader.	All Leaders
Onboarding New Scouts, Scouters, and Commissioners	What do you need to do to help a new Scout, Scouter, or Commissioner feel welcome in your unit or in the district?	All Leaders
Planning for High Adventure	How does a unit sign up to attend a high adventure base? What kind of planning goes into attending these camps? What is the timeline for planning a trip to a high adventure base? Learn what goes into preparing to attend a high adventure base with your unit.	Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scout Leaders
Program Planning and Funding	How do you plan an awesome outing? How much will this outing cost? Where are your Scouts getting the funding for the outing? Learn how to plan an awesome program and how to budget for these programs.	All Leaders
Recharter for Commissioners	What is a Commissioners role during Recharter? How will this year's Recharter be different from previous years?	Commissioners
Recruiting and Retention of Scouts	Ideas and "How to's" when it comes to recruiting Scouts of all ages. Now that you have the Scouts, how do you keep them interested?	All Leaders

Religious Emblems	Learn more about the religious emblem program and what it takes to earn these awards.	All Leaders
Scoutbook for Cub Scout Units	This course will cover the key aspects of the BSA Scoutbook application. We will discuss how the Scoutbook program supports unit leaders in delivering the Scouting program as well as how it helps Scouts, and their families participate more fully in their unit's program and keep track of advancement. Please come prepared with your log in information for Scoutbook and some advancements, service hours, hiking, or camping information that you need to enter for your unit.	Cub Scout Leaders
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Scoutbook for Venturing and Sea Scout Units	This course will cover the key aspects of the BSA Scoutbook application. We will discuss how the Scoutbook program supports unit leaders in delivering the Scouting program as well as how it helps Scouts and their families participate more fully in their unit's program and keep track of advancement. Please come prepared with your log in information for Scoutbook and some advancements, service hours, hiking, or camping information that you need to enter for your unit.	Venturing and Sea Scout Leaders
Suicide Prevention and Mental Health in Youth	How to detect scouts that may be experiencing mental health challenges and what to do to help those scouts out.	All Leaders
Tips to Spice Up Unit Meetings to Keep Scouts Engaged	How do you keep your Scouts engaged in Scouting? Have you thought of using things like Kahoot for trivia competitions? What about an impromptu speech challenge? Could you offer a photo or video workshop and then empower those Scouts to use the newly learned skills?	All Leaders
Unit Leadership Positions and Responsibilities	What does a unit secretary do? What about the Treasurer? Join us in a discussion on what the positions of a unit committee and what those positions are responsible for.	All Leaders
Unit Policy and Procedure	Does your unit have a handbook that states all of your policies and procedures? Learn the importance of having policies and procedures in your unit.	All Leaders
Unit Promotion 101	How do you promote your unit? Join us to discuss tips and ideas on how to better engage the community with your unit and the unit's programming. Gain guidance for press releases, engaging with reporters, and getting the most out of social media.	All Leaders
Venturing Goal Setting and Time Management 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.	Venturing Youth, Scouts BSA Youth
Venturing Project Management Training	This training is designed to prepare Venturers to effectively manage projects. It leads them through each essential step, including initiating, planning, executing, controlling, and closing.	Venturing Youth, Scouts BSA Youth
Webelos to Scout Transition	The Cub Scout program is an adult-leader led, family and community-centered program for youth in grades K through 5.	Cub Scout Leaders, Scouts BSA Leaders

	<p>The Scouts BSA program is a Scout led, outdoor-centered program for youth in grades 6 through 12. The transition between these two programs is rarely seamless, as Arrow of Light Scouts graduating into Scout troops often face difficulty adjusting to the outdoor camping experience, the expectation of youth leadership, and the self-reliance and initiative expected of them in pursuing their advancement. This course will examine both the adult-led Webelos/Arrow of Light program and the youth-led Scout program to provide ideas and recommendations to best prepare the graduating Scout, and his or her parents, for the upcoming adventure of Scouts BSA.</p>	
<p>What are Sea Scouts?</p>	<p>Sea Scout units— called ships- are established all across the country on oceans, bays, rivers, and lakes. They provide limitless opportunities and exciting challenges that you won't find anywhere else. Sea Scouts is a place to grow and learn, find adventure, and build long lasting friendships. Come learn more about this program!</p>	<p>All Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Youth. All Leaders</p>
<p>Youth Protection Training (in person)</p>	<p>Why is Youth Protection training so important? It communicates the values that Scouting takes seriously. Most people know very little about the dangers that confront children every day. This training helps make professionals, volunteers, and parents more aware, and it empowers them to help protect youth. The Susquehanna Council requires all leaders and youth over the age of 18 to retake this training annually.</p>	<p>All Youth over the age of 18, All Leaders</p>
<p>Youth Training Continuum</p>	<p>The youth leadership training continuum represents the scope and sequence of leadership training courses available to youth members of the Boy Scouts of America. Courses are available for youth ranging in age from 11 through 20, delivered in a range of engaging methods using case studies, games, discussions, and experiential education models. Come learn about these training courses and how to get the youth in your unit interested in and signed up for these courses.</p>	<p>Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Youth. Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout Leaders.</p>

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Youth Protection Training		Chaplain Aid Training - Youth		Reorienting for Commissioners	
Den Chief Training			Venturing Project Management Training		
Venturing Goal Setting Training			Venturing Goal Setting Training		
Planning for High Adventure Bases		Cast Iron Cooking and Care		Youth Training Continuum	
Decorative Knots	Navigating Life to Eagle for Scouts BSA Youth	Combined Den Advancement	Recruitment and Retention of Scouts	What are Sea Scouts?	Program Planning and Funding
Unit Promotion 101	District Committee Roles and Responsibilities	Cultivating a Culture of Conservation	Webelics to Scout Transition	Tips to Spice Up Unit Meetings to Keep Scouts Engaged	Den Chief's as a Role Model in a Pack
Unit Policy & Procedure	Detailed & Simple Assessments for Commissioners	Guide to Advancement focusing on Special Needs Scouting	Guiding Scouts from Life to Eagle	Onboarding New Scouts, Leaders, and Commissioners	Mentor Edge Counselor Training
Suicide Prevention and Mental Health in Youth	Getting Scouts into Backpacking	New Leader Boot Camp	Scoutbook for Cub Scout Units	Scoutbook for Scouts BSA Units	Scoutbook for Crews and Ships
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