

University of Scouting 2019 – Indian Waters Council

9:00 – 9:50	10:00 – 10:50	11:00 – 11:50	12:00 – 12:50	1:00 – 1:50	2:00 – 2:50	3:00 – 3:50
Planning a Pack Calendar	Recruiting & Retaining Cub Scout Leaders	Webelos to Scout Transition	Lunch	Cub Scout STEM	Family Scouting--	Conducting a Pack Self Evaluation – JTE
Retain More 1 st Year Scouts	Here Come the Girls!	Scout Gear	What is the Order of the Arrow? -)	Lunch	ILST – NYLT Strengthen your Troop Leadership.	Venturing Overview
Scoutbook -	Using Social Media in your Pack or Troop	Fundraising for your Pack and Troop	Scouting with Special Needs	High Adventure Opportunities	Scoutbook	Collecting Scout Memorabilia

Cub Scouts

Pack Leadership and Program Planning Principles: Cub Scouting is a year-round program. We'll discuss scheduling, organizing, planning and budgeting year-round pack activities and pack meetings that are fun and exciting for your Scouts and their families; that complement your pack's den programs; and that support the aims of Cub Scouting – building character, learning the responsibilities of citizenship, and developing personal fitness. The Cubmaster cannot design, plan, and execute the entire pack program alone; we will discuss delegation of duties and working as a team to provide the best possible pack program for your Scouts.

Recruiting and Retaining Cub Scout Leaders: Recruiting and retaining Cub Scout Leaders is vital to improving the quality and diversity of the program. Yet recruiting new leaders and retaining good leaders from year to year are more challenging than ever before. This course will offer useful recruiting ideas and techniques for finding potential leadership talent within your pack, and how best to approach and cultivate potential volunteers. The course will also discuss retention of quality adult leadership, including the importance of communicating, recognizing and rewarding successful adult leaders in the pack as the pack's most vital program implementation resource. The course will establish the relationship between Cub Scout leader recruitment and retention and meeting the character, citizenship, and fitness goals of the Cub Scout program.

The Webelos-to-Scout Transition: The Cub Scout program is an adult-leader led, family-and community-centered program for youth in grades 1 through 5. The BSA Scout program is a Scout- led, outdoor-centered program for youth in grades 5 through 12 (note: Arrow of Light Scouts graduate to Scouts BSA while in 5th grade). The transition between these two programs is rarely seamless, as Arrow of Light Scouts graduating into troops often face difficulty adjusting to the outdoor camping experience, the imperfections 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 boy-led BSA Scout program to provide ideas and recommendations to best prepare the graduating Arrow of Light Scout, and his parents, for the upcoming adventure of BSA Scouting.

*****NEW***STEM in Cub Scouting:** STEM amounts to an investigation into how the world works the way it does. Boys and girls tend to have a natural curiosity, inclination, and proficiency toward STEM! In this course we will describe the nature of scientific inquiry and how to incorporate STEM thinking into the usual Cub Scout program to meet Scouting's goals of character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness. We will also discuss how BSA's exciting new Nova and Supernova STEM awards, complement and enrich the ordinary advancement and recognition program.

Family Scouting – Boy and Girl Ages-and-Stages: The Cub Scout program is now open to girls as well as boys. This course will explore how the Cub Scout program can best be delivered through an awareness of the characteristics, motivators, needs and social interactions of boys and girls as they grow from Lions through Arrow of Light Scouts. Practical considerations in implementing a Cub Scout program to serve girls as well as boys will also be discussed. As we provide new opportunities for our Scouts, listening to the needs of the families we serve will be more important than ever.

Conducting a Pack Self-Evaluation: Is your pack delivering on the promise that Scouting offers? In what areas do the pack, the committee, or the dens need to improve? We will discuss how to make an objective assessment of your program; how to rate den, pack and committee performance; how to use and supplement the Journey to Excellence guidelines; and how to make best use of the resources available to you to make improvements.

Scouts, BSA

Retaining More 1st Year Scouts: Help your Scouts enjoy, advance and achieve more within their first year. This class lays out the small things that go a long way to help troops keep more boys in the Scouting program.

Here Come the Girls: Scouts, BSA is in full swing and Indian Waters Council is leading the way! However, all girl troops are so new. How do you get started? What are the rules? All of these questions and more will be answered as we walk you through this awesome new chapter in American scouting.

Scout Gear: Come discuss the uniform and equipment needs of new and older Scouts. This session will provide tips and suggested guidelines for selecting gear.

What is the Order of the Arrow – An Introduction: What is the OA? Are you wondering what is an Arrowman? Want to learn how a youth or adult becomes a member of the OA? Interested in learning more about the OA and how can the OA help your unit? These questions and more will be answered as we delve into the world of the OA!

ILST – NYLT Strengthen Youth Leadership in Your Troop: ILST offers a new program for Scout success in leadership roles. This session also discusses the Youth Leadership Training continuum and highlights connections to other quality youth courses (NYLT, and NAYLE).

Venturing Overview: Overview of Venturing, what makes it different than other Scouting programs and how it meets the interests of youth ages 14-20. Learn how a crew is organized and run. Learn about Venturing's motto, "Lead the Adventure"; what Venturing has to do with ALPS, and what uniform options Venturing crews have. This overview will be interactive with a Question and Answer period.

General Studies

*****NEW*** Scoutbook.com - Learning to Use the Official and FREE Advancement Tracking Software for Your Scouts:** This course covers the basic nuts and bolts, a few bells and whistles, and some advanced features. (If you want to get started right away, bring your laptop or smartphone and have your Scoutnet (Internet Advancement) ID and password). Highly recommended for: SMs, ASMs, and troop advancement chairs. (NOTE: Basic principles also apply to Cub Scout advancement, but examples presented and discussion will all be geared to Scouts BSA.)

Using Social Media for Recruitment and Engagement: Think social media is just for millennials? Think again! Social media is used by professionals and companies to do business everywhere. Learn how your unit can make use of the most popular platforms to recruit scouts and parents; raise awareness of scouting in your community; communicate your unit's schedules and activities; and share your unit's successes. We'll help you pick the platform(s) to be on, show you how to manage your social media pages using your phone, and share secrets for writing effective posts and increasing your reach.

Fundraising for Packs and Troops: The purpose of this course is to inform participants about the fundraising options available to their units. There will also be discussion about how those funds are used to enhance their scouting program.

Scouting with Special Needs: This course will address how to deliver a safe, fun, meaningful, and exciting program for the Scout with special needs and his/her fellow Scouts. Communication, understanding and patience are the keys to interactions and developing relationships.

High Adventure Opportunities: High adventure is one of the most successful ways to challenge your Scouts and keep older youth involved in Scouting. There are "big" national bases including Summit, Philmont, Northern Tier and Sea Base, but did you know many councils offer high adventure programs as well, often at a lower cost? From millions of acres of the Adirondacks to the remote wilderness of Maine to the new BSA Swamp Base in Louisiana, there are adventures waiting for your unit. Learn the difference between unit-based treks and council provisional treks, too. Please let us share hot to get enjoying the ultimate "Outing in Scouting" through high adventure!

Collecting Scout Memorabilia: Learn the basics of collecting, swapping, buying or selling scout memorabilia. This course will cover the trading code of ethics, introduce areas of collecting, discuss collecting organizations, trade-o-rees, popular focus areas for collecting scouting memorabilia, and ways to keep, catalog and display your collection.