2025 Crossroads Scout College Leaders Guide

* The 2025 Crossroads Scout College will be held May 3rd and May 10th at the Pinehill Scout Reservation,
  + 120 Watsontown, New Freedom Rd, Pine Hill, NJ 08021
  + 700AM to 445 PM each Day
* There will be NO overnight camping on Friday May 2nd or Friday May 9th. Troops may elect to camp either Saturday May 3rd or Saturday May 10th.
  + Saturday night camping check-in will occur after the conclusion of Scout College.
  + Contact Dave Salow, Crossroads District Chairman, if you wish to camp either May 2nd or 9th. Do NOT connect the Council office to reserve a camp site for this event only

Classes

* There will be both single period classes as well as a few double period classes.
* Single period classes will be 45 in length and double period classes are 90 minutes in length.
* There will be a 15 break between classes.
* Classes may have prerequisites. Those will be listed in the class catalog.
  + Scouts who have not met or completed the prerequisites may not be allowed to attend the individual classes. This is at the discretion of the individual instructor.
* ALL Scouts must be preregistered. NO Walk in will be allowed.
* Classes are open to all registered Scouts.
* Only Scouts from currently chartered Troops may register.
* We are offering 8 sessions of Classes this year, with a break for lunch between the 4th and 5th Period classes There will be a 15-minute break between classes
* Some classes will be single period (45 Minute) classes, others will be double Period Classes. (total of 105 Minute)

Medical Forms

* A Current BSA Medical form should be on hand for this and all Scouting events, for all members of your unit attending the event. This includes parents who are not registered.
* Medical forms will NOT be collected.

Food and Beverages

* No food or Beverages will be provided at this event.
* Scouts should remember to stay hydrated thought out the day.
* The Order of Arrow will offer Lunch meals for purchase. The OA canteen will be located at the Pool end of the Cub Pavilion

Registration

* We ask the troops to register as a Troop. This makes communication easier.

Youth Protection compliance

* No unaccompanied scouts will be allowed to attend Scout College.
* A parent, Guardian or Scout leader who accepts responsibility for the scout must REMAIN at Pinehill Scout Reservation for the entirety of the Event.
* No Drop and Go.

Parking

* Only Instructors and Event Staff will be allowed to drive into the Pinehill camp reservation.
* All other vehicles will be parked in the parking area.
* Accommodation will be made for Scouts with Special needs.
* Instructors and those with Special needs will be allowed to enter the Pinehill Scout Camp via the Ranger (back) Gate.

Blue Cards

* The 2025 Crossroads Scout College will be a Digital Blue Card Event.
* No manual blue cards will be processed.
* Instructors will be given a digital Completion sheet for each class period, these completion sheets will be collected during scout college and will be entered into Black Pug software at the completion of scout college.
  + Black pug software is the software package that the BSA uses for event Tracking.
  + The completion results can be downloaded and auto populated into Scout Book.
* Scouts who do NOT complete the merit badge at this Scout College will continue to work with the same instructor to complete the merit badge. Unit leaders are encouraged to link the Merit Badge counselor to the individual Scout, in Scoutbook.
  + A list of Merit Badge counselors and contact information is attached

Guides

* We will have uniformed Guides located throughout the camp to assist Scouts with Directions.
* Guides will be equipped with a Yellow Vest to help identify them.
* Guides will be equipped with a radio if an emergency occurs.

General Information

* No Alcohol, or drugs, to include medical Marijuana, will be allowed at Scout College
* No smoking is allowed at this or any scouting event.
* Firearms are prohibited from this event.

Maps

* There is a Map of the Pinehill scout camp attached to this document, .

Check in

* There will be a Unit check-in location near the Trading Post.

Adult Classes

* Scoutmaster specific training will be offered at the Lekeu lodge starting at 100 PM on Saturday May 3rd.
* The Committee training will be offered at Lekeu lodge starting at 100 PM on Saturday May 10th.
* Classes are open to all Adults. Participants must register for either class

Archery Merit Badges

* This is a double period class. Scouts MUST attend both weekends.
* Class is limited to 8 Scouts per period
* Scouts Must Complete Requirements 2(d)1,” Make a complete Arrow”, from Kit supplied with Class to earn the Merit Badge
* There is an Additional Charge of $8.00 per scout for this badge, to cover the cost of the Arrow Kits
* Scout must also meet BSA score requirements to earn a completion of this Merit Badge
* BSA Activities consent form must be submitted at the beginning of the class. Consent Form MUST be signed by a parent

Space Exploration Merit Badge

* There is an additional $15.00 fee for this merit badge to cover the cost of Rockets and Motors used with the Class.