

Wood Badge...

is a five-day course taken over two weekends. The first is three days long where participants will begin as a Cub Scout Pack and will bridge over to becoming a Scouts BSA Troop. During the second weekend (of just two days), the patrols will enjoy a developing bond that will last far beyond participation in a BSA training. Using the troop model lends itself well to both small and large group presentations and activities.

A pre-course meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 1, 2023**. This meeting will introduce participants to their staff, give vital information about the course, and offer the participants a chance to ask any questions they may have.



Cost and deadlines

\$290 for the 5-day course

Final payments are due by **July 29, 2023**

A deposit of \$140 is due with registration

Early bird pricing

\$275 paid in full by Friday, **May 27, 2023**

Scholarships are available

(for a maximum of 50% of the course fees)

Who can and should take Wood Badge?

Any pack, troop, crew, ship or board leader
18 years or older
Fully trained in their position
Looking to increase their leadership skills



6-702-23

To get registered:

Click on the Wood Badge entry on the calendar to link to the registration page

www.rainbowcouncil.org

Which one will you be?



WOODBADGE 6-702-23



OTHER THAN YOUR OWN,
WHOSE LIFE WILL YOU
CHANGE FOR THE BETTER?

Pre-Course Meeting:

Tuesday, August 1, 2023

Minooka Village Hall 7pm

Course Weekends:

(must attend both)

August 25-27, 2023

October 7-8, 2023

Rainbow Council Scout Reservation

2600 Winterbottom Rd.

Morris, IL 60450

Course Director: John Harrington



Contact information:

wb.2023.rainbow@gmail.com

815-790-0598

The Ticket

Scouters who take Wood Badge are committed to the scouting program. They WANT to do good things and make a positive impact. The Ticket that each participant creates is a "To Do" list of items that come together under one vision of exactly what that individual wants to accomplish. It reflects their own personal "good things" and "positive impact." Once the participant completes all items on their ticket over the course of eighteen months, then the tokens of the Wood Badge course, the neckerchief, woggle and wood beads on a leather thong, are awarded.



The Impact of Wood Badge

In your unit...

- Stronger leader
- More energized leader
- A plan to 'up' the program

In your district and council...

- More hands to help
- Shared knowledge
- A program for ALL

In your life...

- Improved communication
- Embracing teamwork
- Better resolution of conflict

Why Wood Badge? Why me?

"One of the purposes of Wood Badge training is to get Scouters to think about the practice of scouting, to meet together, to exchange experiences and to live together in the spirit of the Scout Oath." Lord Baden Powell, 1919



We as leaders spend so much of our time providing program for our youth. This training not only offers an opportunity to improve the quality of the program that we are creating and providing, but it also offers us a way to improve our leadership skills (that we can apply not only to scouting but to family, relationships and to our work environments) and enjoy the fellowship of many other dedicated and amazing scouters. And...to have lots and lots of FUN!!!!



The CENTENNIAL Course Themes

Wood Badge has changed over the years. The course offered at Rainbow Council in the fall of 2021, was the first course of the new curriculum, called The Centennial Course. The course has gone through some major changes, but the overall intent remains to have a positive impact on both the Scouter and on the Scouting program. Five themes will be woven into the course in various ways. They are:

GROWING
CONNECTING
GUIDING
EMPOWERING
LIVING THE VALUES

What past participants are saying...

Truly useful and relevant subject matter. Will be able to use this immediately.

Helped me to see my need to communicate better, both with adults and scouts.

This course was very inspiring. I will use it in daily life, scouting and beyond.

Wood Badge is a course concentrating on more than leadership in scouting. It teaches leadership for life.

It has allowed me to more clearly see and understand my roles in scouting.