

Twin Rivers Council, B.S.A. Virtual



2021 Course Catalog

March 20, 2021

Virtual via Zoom

www.trcscouting.org/university

Dear Fellow Scouters,

Welcome to the Course Catalog for the Virtual University of Scouting 2021! This year's event is different from our previous events in that we will be conducting it virtually with a limited number of courses being offered. Since the COVID 19 pandemic began we have had to make a number of changes in how we meet and gather but our staff has been hard at work preparing to offer this important training and we are glad that you are a part of it.

The University of Scouting will run from 8:00 a.m. until noon virtually via Zoom.

Please review the table below for class times. Each participant must register online for the courses that they wish to attend and once registered you will receive an email confirmation from the Council and links for the courses that you have chosen.

In place of our usual Opening Ceremony, prior to the event each participant will receive an email with video updates from our Council Executive Mark Switzer and Council Commissioner Drew Chesney. You will also have an opportunity to view informational videos from our University of Scouting Chancellor, Council Wood Badge Staff, Council NYLT Staff and Order of the Arrow. I hope that you will make some time to view all of these videos for the latest on these great programs.

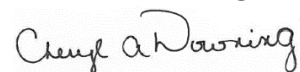
Classes are 50 minutes in duration with 10 minutes between classes for staff and participants to sign-on to the next zoom link. Classes will be available during periods 1, 2, 3, and 4.

We want to stress also that courses offered at the University of Scouting are open to all Scouters. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to take courses in all categories.

	START TIME	END TIME
Period 1	8:00 AM	8:50 AM
Period 2	9:00 AM	9:50 AM
Period 3	10:00 AM	10:50 AM
Periods 4	11:00 AM	11:50 AM

For more information and to register, please visit www.trcscouting.org/university. Feel free to print this list to help you select courses during the registration process. Please note that registration will only be accepted online. Thank you for your time and continued service to the youth of our communities!

Yours in Scouting,



Cheryl Downing

Twin Rivers Council Training Chair

What you need to know:


-Registration will only be accepted online at www.trcscouting.org/university


-Participants may register for courses in any of the colleges. For example, a Cub Scout Leader may register for a Scout BSA or General Studies or Venturing course. Our goal is for Scouters to increase their knowledge by experiencing the different areas of the Scouting program.

Venture Scouts and Scouts BSA age 14-21 may register as a Youth Participant.

This year's registration fee for the University of Scouting has been waived for TWIN RIVERS COUNCIL registered Scouts and Scouters. Out of Council participants will pay a \$5.00 fee. Remember all participants must register online for course selections.

Online Registration runs until March 18, 2020.

-What is New this year?  This “new” sticker denotes a course that is a new course that was not offered last year.

-What is Updated this year?  This “updated” sticker denotes a course that has been updated as a result of your feedback from previous events.

-Questions or Concerns? Please contact us!

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Course Number and Course Name	Period 1 8-8:50 am	Period 2 9-9:50 am	Period 3 10-10:50 am	Period 4 11- 11:50 am
101 Recruiting and Motivating Cub Scout Parents: Your Pack program depends on many adults in both leadership and support roles. Learn how to recruit, motivate and grow both seasoned Scouters and new parents.	1			
111 Webelos to Scout Transition: When to start transition to Boy Scouts? Where are ceremonies held and symbolism of the event? How to choose a troop that best suits your boys. Learn all this plus ways to build communication between your pack and troop.		2		
131 Pack Administration and Management: Learn about the structure of the Pack from top to bottom and the duties of each position as well as integrating the annual planning and Pack Committee operations to deliver the pack plan and efficiently.				4
134 Outdoor Ethics for Scouts: Leave No Trace, Tread Lightly and Sustainability. What should you know each time you go outdoors to make sure you leave it the way you found it or better. Come learn some great techniques to make ethical choices in the outdoors.	1			
149 Pack Finances & Budgets: Come learn all about the steps to building a Pack budget that will allow your unit to cover the costs of your scouting program. We will also cover all the details involved with keeping track of the unit's finances.			3	
154 Council Cub Scout Camping Opportunities: Learn about Twin Rivers Council's Cub Scout camping opportunities and changes for the upcoming year.			3	
155 Activities for Leave No Trace Principles: Learn how to bring the Leave No Trace Principles to Scouts through activities.		2		
157 Virtual Cub Scout Meeting Ideas: Having trouble with virtual meetings? Running out of ideas? This course will provide tips on running virtual meetings as well as getting some ideas on how to hold virtual meetings while keeping the interest of the scouts.				4

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NEW



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204 Hiking and Backpacking: Learn why Scouts backpack, what type of gear is necessary and places to go for a day or week.		2		
207 Merit Badge Counselor Orientation: Guide new and potential merit badge counselors through their responsibilities in the role and give them an understanding of the methods of counseling Scouts.	1			
208 Life to Eagle (Double Period): Learn about the steps required to move from Life to Eagle Scout, including necessary forms, meetings, approvals and steps to avoid delay or possible disappointment. New Eagle Scout process will be discussed			3 & 4	
209 Effective Boards of Review: How to make the Board of Review less stressful for the Scout and more effective. Learn how to conduct quality rank advancement boards for all ranks.	1			
215 Dehydrated Foods: Come discover how to prepare dehydrated food for the trail on a budget.	1			
224 Canoeing & Kayaking: Join us for a Discussion on places to go on day or weeklong canoeing and kayaking trips.			3	
225 Scoutmaster Minutes: How to end a meeting in a serious note, but still keep it upbeat and fun. Learn new ideas and discuss tried and true older ones.		2		
244 TRC High Adventure Trek Program & Jamboree: Interested in a mountain top experience? Join us as we discuss some of the adventures available within Twin Rivers Council as well as adventures at The Summit, Florida Sea Base, Philmont, Jamboree and so many more. 	1			
247 Troop Calendar Planning: In order for a Troop to have a successful program you must plan ahead. This course will cover the necessary steps to planning a successful year and who should be doing what.				4
248 How to Guide the PLC/Youth Led Troops: Scout Troops are different from Cub Scout Packs. Troops are led by the youth and adults guide the process. During this class we will discuss how the youth leadership works and how to plan successful PLC's (Patrol Leaders Council).			3	

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402 Adirondack History (Part 1): Introduce your scouts to history when you camp in the Adirondacks. Join us to learn about some of the amazing places within the Adirondack Park.		2		
479 Adirondack History (Part 2): Love the Adirondacks? Join us as we continue to discuss all of the amazing opportunities in the Adirondack Park.			3	
409 Meal Planning for Campouts: How to plan easy meals for camping trips, things to consider when developing menus and recommendations for buying groceries.				4
416 BSA Health & Safety Policies: Understanding BSA's most important health and safety concerns/policies including "safety moments" and incident reporting. 		2		
419 Den Chief Program Overview: A Den Chief? What's that? Learn the secrets to getting kids to sing along. We will discuss the most often over-looked resource a Den Leader can have - a Boy Scout or Venture Scout trained to work with your Den leadership team.			3	
428 Fundraising: Popcorn, car washes, selling candy and wreaths. How do you finance your unit's activities? This session will help you find new ways and the right ways to finance the fun and business of an active unit.	1			
437 What's New at Scouts BSA Summer Camps: Learn about Twin River Council's Scouts BSA Summer programs and changes for the upcoming year. 				4
459 How to Grow Membership: Put your arithmetic hats on... Membership Growth = Retention + Recruitment. Join us to learn and share, tools and techniques to increase your bottom line (number of members, that is!)		2		

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462 Welcoming New Families / Best First Impressions: How can I make the best first impression? What are new families looking for when they stop by a scout meeting the first time? We will discuss the "New Member Coordinator" position and how that it have an immediate & positive impact on your success in recruiting both new youth and adults!			3	
463 Service Projects: Service projects are not just for older scouts. Service projects are required for all rank advancements. Service projects equal service hours and service hours are reported for JTE. Find out more about service hours, resources, the paperwork that is used to track the hours and what is acceptable for a project.			3	
475/476 Recruitment & Leader Succession Planning: Learn methods to help you fill critical leadership roles for your Unit before there is an opening. While some positions such as Den Leaders for each rank have logical leaders from year to year others are not so easy to fill and require a succession plan that is worked out a year or more in advance.				4
478 Local Outings: Need help with ideas for places to go and things to do right here in our area? Join us and get some great tips and ideas that you can use to enhance your scouting program				4
490 Marketing Your Unit: Promoting your unit in the community to generate joining interest and publicity for your unit. 	1			

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Course Number and Course Name 492 Advancement Requirements Are Set In Stone, or Are They?: A discussion of the various circumstances under which advancement requirements or time requirements can be modified.		2		
494 Ten Essentials & Building a Survival Kit: Learn about the 10 essentials for day hiking and items needed for building a survival kit.	1			



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604 Principles of Social Media Use in Scouting: Want to recruit more scouts? Learn how to use social networking sites like Facebook and Twitter to strengthen and promote your scouting unit.		2		
608 Scoutbook for Cub Scouts: (DOUBLE PERIOD) You heard all the buzz about Scoutbook, now learn what you need to know to implement it in your Unit. How does Scoutbook help with planning your program, communicating with parents and tracking advancements? Come find out! 		1 & 2		
608B Scoutbook for Scouts BSA and Venturing: (Double Period) This course is designed for folks with a working knowledge of the Scoutbook System at a Cub Scout level now lets look at how it works for Scouts BSA and Venturing. 			3 & 4	