

Outdoor Leader Weekend (2024)

*Outdoor skills are critical to the success of the Boy Scouts of America program.
Training in outdoor skills is required before taking Cub Scouts on overnight camping trips.
For Scouts BSA leaders, these outdoor skills will help you guide the youth
as they move through Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks.*

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Course Date: **May 11 - 12, 2024 or Oct. 5 - 6, 2024**

Location: **Camp Mack**

BALOO and IOLS: **Cost \$30**
Registration 8:00 AM Saturday
Course 8:00 AM Saturday to 12:00 PM Sunday

You will need to know full name, address, phone, and email as well as registered position, district, and unit type and number for each participant. Including a correct email, phone number, and unit type and number is essential. Noting dietary restrictions is also important.

Registration Cut-Off: 5:00PM, Friday, one week before the course date. Please register early.

Register Online at <https://padutch.tentaroo.com/admin2/login>

The course director will share additional information with you shortly before the course - probably by email. If you have not heard from that person by the Wednesday before the course, please contact them.

Equipment list will be provided after registration. The course will be outside. Be Prepared.

Participants must bring a COPY of Parts A&B of a BSA Medical Form with them. Find it at:
<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/>

In addition to these courses, Youth Protection Training and Hazardous Weather Training must be completed online every two years. **BALOO has online pre-requisite training.**

You will have fun, learn about resources, gain confidence, and become a better leader.

See other page for course descriptions.

BALOO - Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation

The training is designed to teach you the skills needed to help Cub Scouts and their parents have a fun, positive, and safe outdoor experience. We learn best by doing; the course is hands-on.

BALOO for Cub Scout leaders introduces participants to the skills needed to plan and conduct Pack outdoor activities, particularly pack camping. At least one adult per pack must complete BALOO training for the unit to conduct an overnight Pack camping trip. This hands-on course is aimed at parents and leaders with no previous camping experience. It includes overnight camping. Field (Class “A”) uniform is suggested.

Participants are responsible for their own personal gear including tent, sleeping bag, personal hygiene items, mess kit, and pencil/pen. If you need help obtaining or borrowing these, contact your troop or the course director.

Due to COVID-19, you will also need to make your own Saturday breakfast. We will have coffee and hot water.

This course has an **online pre-requisite course** that should be completed before attending. It is at my.scouting.org > My Dashboard > Training Center > Expanded Learning > BALOO

IOLS - Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

For Scouts BSA leaders, Venturing leaders, and Cub Scout leaders with more outdoor experience. These outdoor skills will help you guide the youth as they move through Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks. The course also gives you experience working as part of a Patrol.

IOLS will run like a troop in that participants will be formed into and participate as patrols including selecting a Patrol Leader. A staff member will serve as the Senior Patrol Leader. A Scoutmaster and several Troop Guides will provide instruction throughout the weekend. Field (Class “A”) uniform is recommended.

Normally the patrols are responsible for planning shared meals. However, with the blending of adults from different areas, we have decided that requiring you to create food together during the pandemic is somewhat risky.

Participants will be responsible for two meals over the course of the weekend: Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast. Staff will provide Saturday lunch and cracker barrel. Patrol members may work together to plan those meals if they wish. Participants must bring equipment to prepare those meals. There is a 2-hour dinner break.

Participants are responsible for their own personal gear including tent, sleeping bag, personal hygiene items, and mess kit. In addition, they should bring their current Scouts BSA Handbook, notebook, pencil/pen, and a compass.

A week or two before the course, participants will receive an email with contact information for their assigned patrol as well as more course information. Patrols should have a conversation about a patrol name, cheer, and flag as well as any extra equipment before arriving Saturday morning.

If you do not receive that information by Monday before the course, please contact the course director.

Combined BALOO and IOLS

For Cub Scout leaders with more outdoor experience. Complete both. Completion does not expire.

Complete the BALOO online pre-requisites, participate in the all sessions, and work with your IOLS patrol for the remainder of the weekend. See other descriptions for details.