

March Training Newsletter

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Training News March 2019

Upcoming In-Person Training



° = pre-registration required * = online registration open
+ = counts toward basic requirements for adults

-----Scout Leader Skills-----

Mar 9°** Scoutmaster Position-Specific (*Easton*)
Mar 16** Cub Leader Position-Specific (*Foxboro*)
Mar 23** Troop Committee Position-Specific (*Easton*)
Mar 30** Trainer's EDGE ("train-the-trainer") (*Canton*)
Apr 6-7** IOLS for Scouts BSA/Venturing (*Plymouth*)
Apr 27-28** BALOO for Cub Leaders (*Bolton*)
Apr 27-28** Intro to Backpacking (*Framingham*)
May 4** Scoutmaster Position-Specific (*Norwood*)
May 4° Den Chief Training (*Norwood*)
May 10-11** BALOO for Cub Leaders (*Wrentham*)
May 18-19** Leave No Trace Trainer (*Plymouth*)
Jun 15° Beyond the Basics: Advanced Outdoor Skills
Jun 30-Jul 5** Nat'l Youth Ldr Training (NYLT) (*Plymouth*)
Aug 11-16** Nat'l Youth Ldr Training (NYLT) (*Bolton*)

-----First Aid-----

Mar 9** Red Cross First Aid (*Easton*)
Mar 9** CPR/AED (*Easton*)
Mar 9-10** Wilderness and Remote First Aid (*Sudbury*)
Mar 26** Red Cross First Aid (*Sudbury*)
Apr 6-7** Wilderness and Remote First Aid (*Plymouth*)
Apr 9** CPR/AED (*Sudbury*)
Apr 23** Red Cross First Aid (*Sudbury*)
...plus more in May and beyond...

MBU Training Dates Shifted

Due to the March 2 Merit Badge University (MBU) "snow day," we've shifted the MBU adult training courses in line with the new MBU schedule. March 2 courses (Scoutmaster PST, CPR, and First Aid) will now be on March 9. The March 9 Troop Committee PST will now occur on March 23. These changes are reflected in the schedule above. Online registration has been extended.

Looking for Advanced Skills?

We often hear from adult leaders who'd like to learn more than the basic camping skills that are taught at BALOO and IOLS. Well, here's your answer!...

- **Intro to Backpacking: April 27-28.** Hands-on training to build adult leaders' confidence in taking Scouts backpacking. Registration is open!
- **Beyond the Basics: June 15.** A relaxed day at Camp Squanto with opportunities to learn advanced rope skills, orienteering, cooking, woods tools, etc., from experienced Scouters. Registration open soon!

March 16 is Cub Scout Leader Training Day



It's been on the calendar for a while, and we finally have the details!

- March 16, 8:30am-12:30pm, at Foxborough Regional Charter School (conveniently located near I-95 and I-495).
- We'll run separate sessions of position-specific training for Den Leaders, Cubmasters/Assistant Cubmasters, and Pack Committee members.
- We also hope to run workshops on a few additional program topics. Please tell us what topics you'd be most interested in when you register!

There are many benefits to completing your basic leader training in person instead of online. Here are the "bonuses" we're offering on March 16:

- Leader guides for sale, registration materials, and other resources to save you a trip to the council office or the Scout store.
- Fun activities for your Cub-age youth while their parents are getting trained.
- A chance to meet fellow leaders and get resources to help your program!

Please register at www.mayflowerbsa.org/training.

Youth Protection Training Revised

Don't worry; this is not a new requirement. But we do want you to be aware.

On March 1, the BSA updated its official online youth protection training (YPT) course. It includes policies and procedures implemented since the last revision in February 2018, as well as four new optional modules for anyone who would like to become better at recognizing and dealing with violence, physical abuse, emotional abuse, and neglect. When we offer in-person YPT, we will cover the required parts of the new training.

If you have a valid YPT completion, it's still good for two years. You do not need to retake this new course right away. But we do want you to be aware that anyone who takes YPT from now on will be taking the new version—and it's there for anyone else who wants to learn more.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Council training "Quick Guides" and online registration: www.mayflowerbsa.org/training
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EVERY SCOUT DESERVES TRAINED LEADERS!