



# ***Mayflower Council May 2026 Roundtable***

Wed. May 6, 7-8:30 PM, Council Service Center, Milford

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give you  
a hand**



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WELCOME and**

**Thanks for participating!**

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and would like to, email [Dennis Gleason](#) or  
put a note on the attendance record*



# Opening: Pledge of Allegiance



## Opening Prayer

A Summer Leader's Prayer for Safety and Stewardship  
Creator of all things, we gather today as leaders, grateful for the opportunity to guide youth into the majesty of Your outdoors.  
As we prepare for a summer of adventure, we ask for wisdom and diligence. Grant us alert minds to keep our Scouts safe, and steady hands to teach them the skills of preparedness.  
Help us to instill a deep sense of stewardship—that we may leave no trace, respect all living things, and honor the natural world.  
Give us the patience to teach, the joy to inspire, and the courage to lead by example. May our time in the woods and on the water strengthen our fellowship, sharpen our judgment, and fill our hearts with reverence.  
Protect our camp, guide our steps, and help us fulfill the Scout Oath and Law in everything we do this summer.

Amen





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# Mayflower Roundtable - Agenda



- On-Line “Parking Lot”/Feedback: <https://forms.gle/wQARukrM7uQzbRoy9>
- Safety Moment: Food Safety
- Presentation: AmeriCorps NCCC
- Key Announcements: NOTE – Not all event/announcement slides are shown. All slides will be included in the post on the council website.
- Breakout Session (Combined) –
  - 2025-2026 Roundtable Evaluation – What has worked? What has not? Future desires, Topic suggestions, Presenter suggestions, Suggestions to improve participation (both live and virtual)

## Safety Moment:

# Keeping Your Food Safe



## Key Points:

- ***KEEP IT COLD***
- ***KEEP IT CLEAN***
- ***COOK IT THOUOUGHLY***

### References:

<https://www.foodsafety.gov/keep-food-safe/food-safety-by-events-and-seasons>

<https://www.fda.gov/food/consumers/what-you-need-know-about-foodborne-illnesses>

<https://www.cdc.gov/clean-hands/about/index.html>



**Summary** Just remember the three C's: **Keep it Cold, Keep it Clean, and Cook it Thoroughly.**

## **General Information**

The most frequent illness encountered while camping is acute gastroenteritis.

### **Keep It Cold**

Bacteria multiply fastest between **40°F and 140°F**—this is known as the *danger zone*. Use **frozen gel packs, or even frozen juice boxes**. Once thawed, eat it promptly.

### **Keep It Clean**

Clean hands are your first defense. Use **soap and water or disposable wipes** before handling food.

Wash all produce before cutting, and always work on clean surfaces. Prevent cross-contamination by keeping **raw meats and their juices separate** from ready-to-eat foods.

### **Cook It Thoroughly**

For many Scouts, this may be their first time behind the skillet. **Don't rely on color** to judge doneness—meat can look cooked before it's safe. A digital thermometer is a great tool to keep in your chuck box.

Refer to reliable sources for the **minimum safe internal temperatures**, and always **clean the thermometer** between uses.



# Presentation:

# AmeriCorps NCCC Program

(National Civilian Community Corps)



# AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps)

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# Agenda



- 01 **What is AmeriCorps NCCC?** Slide 01
- 02 **What does AmeriCorps do?** Slide 02
- 03 **How can I join?** Slide 03
- 04 **Our experience** Slide 00
- 05 **Frequently asked** Slide 00
- 06 **Comments & Questions** Slide 06



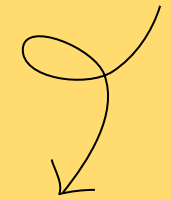
## What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps (NCCC) is a federal volunteer program that aims to strengthen communities and develop leadership through direct national and community service.



# Different AmeriCorps programs

That's us!!



## State & National

10-12 month commitment, working directly with community members focused in education, public health and safety

## VISTA

12 month commitment, individual based service program focused on fighting poverty across the US

## National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC)

10 month commitment, team based national service program that works toward building professional experience

# What do we do?

We travel across the United States working with nonprofits.

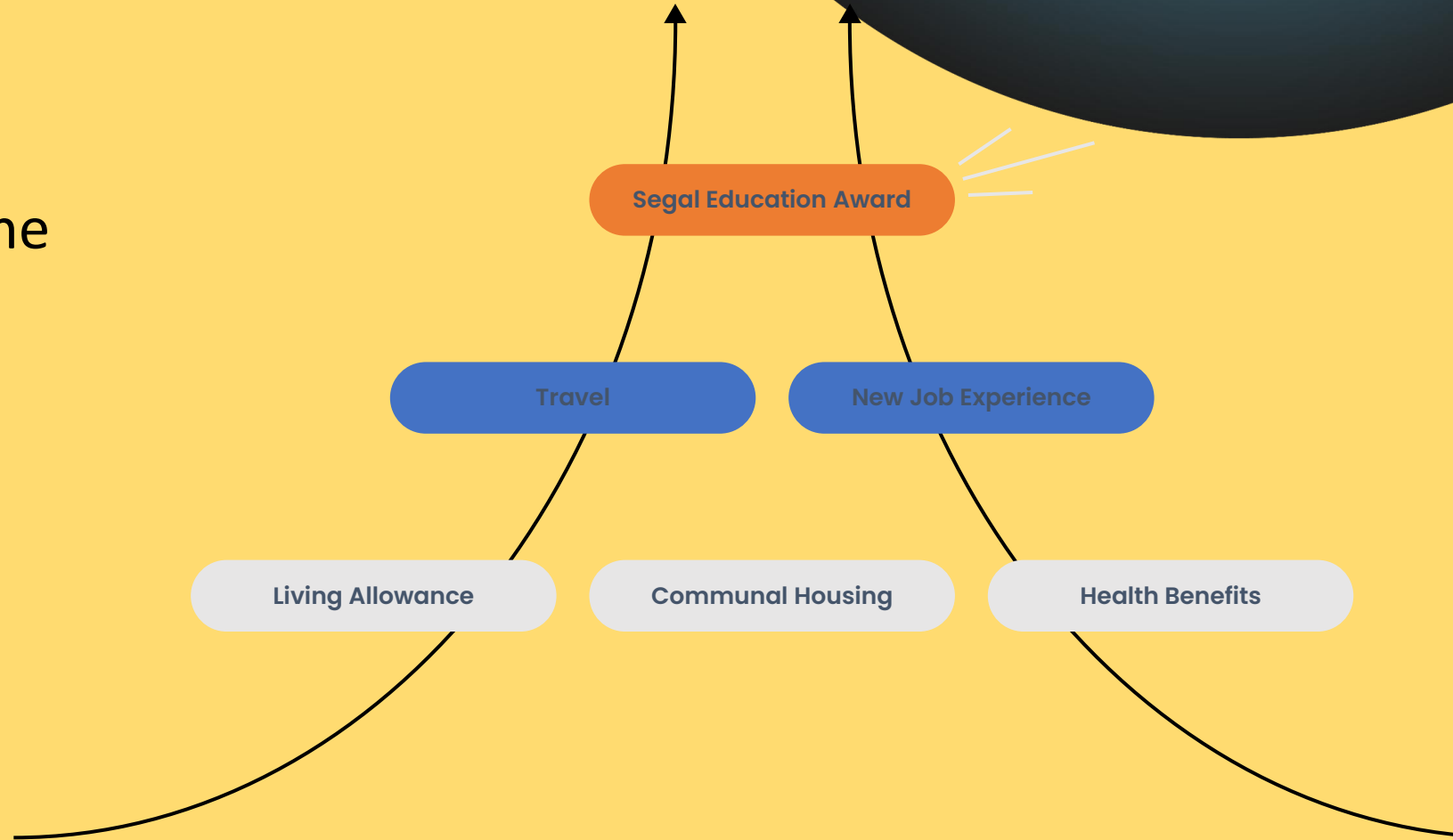
Our main focuses are environmental stewardship, disaster services, and education.



# Benefits

AmeriCorps NCCC has many benefits that go along with the program.

- new job experience
- meals
- communal housing
- health benefits
- living stipend



# Segal Education Award and Benefits



- \$7,000 upon completion of service term
- Can use it for qualified educational expenses
  - Tuition
  - Federal loans
  - Certifications and trainings
- While in the program federal loan payments can be postponed
- After graduation you can apply for AmeriCorps to pay off any interest that accrued during your term of service

**AmeriCorps** helps students pay for college.

**\$3.3 Billion+**  
Amount of scholarship funds earned by AmeriCorps members to pay for college.

**\$1 Billion+**  
Amount of AmeriCorps scholarship funds used to repay student loans.

# Our Experience

Rounds

Round 1

Round 2

Round 3

Location

Greenville, South Carolina

Cincinnati, Ohio

Plymouth, Massachusetts

Photos



What we did

- Trail building and maintenance
- Repairing trails damaged in Hurricane Helene

- Free tax preparation and filing
- Educating clients on their tax situation

- Painting and repairing buildings
- Fire mitigation and trail cleanup
- Setting up camp for season

Experience Gained

- Chainsaw certification
- First aid & Wilderness First aid
- Trail work

- Customer Service
- Financial empowerment
- Inventory

- Construction
- Painting
- Camp setup

Sponsoring Organization

Upstate Greenways & Trails Alliance

United Way of Greater Cincinnati

Scouting America

# Frequent Questions



How do we travel?

We travel initially to campus by plane, then travel by van after

What is our living situation?

Our housing situation changes every round, can vary largely

How long are the rounds?

Usually between 1-4 month in each location





# Thank you!

Any Questions?





# Announcements

*Note: Not all event/announcement slides can be displayed during the session due to time constraints. All slides available when this presentation was prepared will be included in the online posting after the session.*

# Safeguarding Youth Training

**May 31, 2026:** All registered adults **must** have completed the new SYT by this date, regardless of when your old YPT was set to expire.

**Annual Requirement:** Unlike the old 2-year cycle, this training must now be completed **every year**.

**Consequences:** Failure to renew will result in automatic de-registration by the National Council (no refunds/no exceptions)

**To date there are:**

**1,632 adults expiring by 5/31/26 and will be suspended.**

New 20 Min retake Course now working for those that took Safeguarding Youth after 5/15/2025

Issues with Courses: [Contact Jack here](#)





# SYT “20-Minute Refresher Course

- New SYT Refresher Course is Live!,
- The new 20 minute Safeguarding Youth (SYT) Refresher course is Live.  
If you have not taken the full 90 Minute course, you must take that first before you can take the refresher to get full SYT credit.  
If your SYT is expired for 7 days or more, you must take the full 90-minute course again.  
If you fail the course quiz on the refresher course with less than an 80% on your first attempt, you will be directed back to the full 90-minute course.  
If you took the previous YPT course, you must take the full 90-minute SYT course. Taking the Refresher will not give you credit.  
The course is available in the Volunteer Learn Center in English and Spanish.
  - Safeguarding Youth Refresher
  - Curso de actualización SYT

# To Find the Refresher – (1) log in to my.scouting.org



(2) select “My Training” from the right-side pull-down

(3) Select “Retake Course” and you will be directed to the refresher

# 2026 Training Dates to June

- **CPR/ AED Training. 5/19/26 Nobscot  
6:30 - 9:30 pm**
- **Wilderness & Remote First Aid Nobscot  
5/6-7/26**
- **Lifeguard Certification Course 6/13-14/26  
& 6/20-21/26 Squanto**
- **CPR/ AED Training. 6/13/26 Nobscot  
8:30 - 11:30 am**
- **NYLT 6/13-14/26 & 6/20-21/26 Squanto**





## **Announcement Slide Topics: See specific slides in the online posting for details**

**Note: slides available as of 5/01/2026 are included**

### ***All Programs:***

- *Annual Campaign*
- *NESA: Eagle Recognition Dinner, 6-15 – sponsors needed, Networking events @ Squanto*
- *Popcorn Fundraiser – NO UPFRONT COST!*
- *Woodbadge Leadership Challenge – advanced program for Woodbadge trained adults – Philmont & The Summit*
- *Jamboree Council Shoulder Patch (CSP) preorders*
- *May 2026 Council Events*

### ***Troops/Crews/Ships:***

- *Upcoming Merit Badge Classes*
- *Philmont 2027*
- *NYLT, Squanto, June*
- *Flight to Eagle Seminar (virtual) June 9*
- *NAYLE (National Youth Leadership Experience) – June & July, Philmont & The Summit*

### ***Packs:***

- *Chuckwagon Derby*
- *Fall Recruitment Kickoff sessions – see slide for dates & locations*

# Commissioner's Minute:

Here are 10 tips to improve how you relate to other people:

1. Smile at people - it takes sixty-five muscles to frown, only fifteen to smile
  2. Call people by name - to do that, you need to learn their name
  3. Speak to people - take a chance and approach someone new
  4. Be friendly - if you would have friends, be one
  5. Be cordial - speak and act as if everything that you do is a real pleasure
  6. Be interested in people - find out what makes them tick
  7. Be generous with praise - stingy with criticism
  8. Be considerate of the feelings of others - think what impact your words will have before you speak them
  9. Be thoughtful of the opinions of others - there are three sides to a controversy; yours, the other person's, and the right one
  10. Be ready to serve - helping someone strengthens that bond of friendship
- Please share these with your Scouts – make our world a better place.*

Adapted from: <https://www.boyscoutstrail.com/boy-scouts/boy-scout-minutes.asp>



# ROUNDTABLE



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**THANKS**  
**For Your Participation**  
**AND**  
**For all you do for our Youth**

BREAKOUT SESSIONS  
Packs – Troops/Crews/Ships

*Next Roundtable: Wed Jun 3, 7-8:30 PM, Furnace Brook Middle School,  
Marshfield*

If you have not yet done so, please sign in for attendance  
(Use QR Code, or link) <https://forms.gle/MefnEcU77grEcQBA9>  
Questions/comments, use the Google forms “parking lot”  
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# Mayflower Council Roundtable Event and Activity Detail Slides All programs

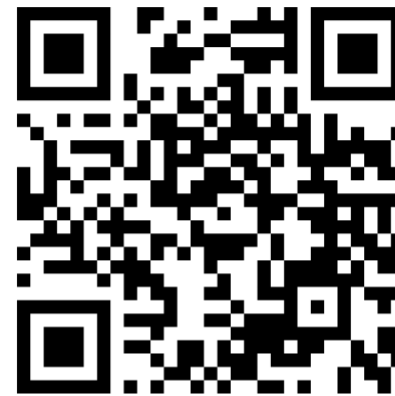
## *Lighting the Path Forward...*

When you help in “lighting the path forward,” your generosity directly impacts the development of essential values, skills, and opportunities that will benefit our youth well into the future. Your support ensures all young people can access our programs, gain leadership training, and enjoy a strong sense of community—all vital for raising confident new leaders. With your contributions, we can continue to inspire over 7,000 youth to discover their potential.



*For a Gift of \$100.*

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# Thank you!



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# Mayflower NESA Chapter

## What Next for the Eagle Scout?

Hello Roundtable Members, Thank you for your attention!

Please join us and let **your** 2025 Eagle Scouts know...



- Annual Eagle Dinner celebrating the Eagle Class of 2025 – on June 15th at Lake Pearl in Wrentham – Eagles, Parents, Leaders – All are welcome to come and help Celebrate
- We also need **Sponsors** – Anyone can sponsor a new Eagle to attend the dinner. New Eagles have always been free – but we need sponsors so we can keep that tradition alive. Go to the council Website to sponsor an Eagle or sign up for the event!



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# Mayflower NESA Chapter

## What Next for the Eagle Scout?

Thank you to everyone who participated in the NESA Networking even last week at Black Hat Brewery in Bridgewater! This was our biggest event and room to grow. If you are an Eagle Scout, keep your eye out for our events.

We look forward to the Alumni Nights at Camp Squanto this Summer! Come visit us at the NESA table!





# Popcorn the only fundraiser with no UP-FRONT COST!

Units can earn between 32 - 39%!

Units that did not participate in 2024 or 2025 may take up to \$2,500 in popcorn for Storefront sales, complete at least two registered Storefront Sales and if you have product left it may be returned on/or before October 16, 2026, to our council office.

Units can do Storefront Sales, Online Sales, or Order Form Sales.

Units can choose what type of sale, or a combination of sales.

If your unit is interested and would like to have a representative contact them for more information, just scan the QR Code:



For more ii



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# Wood Badge Leadership Challenge

**Leadership Challenge** is an advanced leadership program for Wood Badge Trained adults. You will learn to internalize and practice leadership skills in this action-packed conference! you will hone the skills learned in Wood Badge in an outdoor experiential learning environment. Courses are held at the **Summit and Philmont High-Adventure Bases**.



Scan here for your Summit Bechtel Reserve Leadership Challenge



Scan here for you Philmont Scout Ranch Leadership Challenge August 2026



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# Jamboree CSP Pre-Orders



Commemorate a historic milestone with the official Mayflower Council 2026 National Jamboree Shoulder Patch. This limited-edition CSP beautifully bridges the gap between America's founding history and the future of scouting.

Designed specifically for the 2026 National Jamboree, this patch celebrates the 250th Anniversary of the United States with a striking visual narrative.

**Pre-Order  
Yours TODAY!**

**\$10**



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# MAY 2026 EVENTS



<b>6</b> WED	<b>ROUNDTABLE   HYBRID: ZOOM LINK REGISTRATION</b> MAYFLOWER COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER   7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
<b>9</b> SAT	<b>SEARCH &amp; RESCUE MB   SOLD OUT</b> NOBSCOT SCOUT RESERVATION   9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
<b>11</b> MON	<b>INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING</b> ZOOM   7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
<b>12</b> TUE	<b>PERSONAL MANAGEMENT MB   REG CLOSES 5/5</b> BRIDGEWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY   5:00 PM - 7:30 PM
<b>15-17</b> FRI-SUN	<b>OA TANTAMOUS LODGE INDUCTION   REG CLOSES 5/10</b> NOBSCOT SCOUT RESERVATION   FRI 6:00 PM - SUN 11:00 AM
<b>17</b> SUN	<b>CLIMBING MB   REG CLOSES 5/10</b> YMCA HOPKINTON   1:00 PM - 3:00 PM <b>SOIL &amp; WATER CONSERVATION MB   REG CLOSES 5/14</b> SOUTH SHORE YMCA NATURE CENTER   9:45 AM - 11:30 AM
<b>21</b> THU	<b>FALL RECRUITMENT KICKOFF 1 OF 4   REG CLOSES 5/18</b> MAYFLOWER COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER   6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
<b>23-24</b> SAT-SUN	<b>WOOSOX POSTGAME SLEEP OVER   REG CLOSES 5/22</b> POLAR PARK   SAT 4:00 PM - SUN 7:00 AM
<b>29</b> FRI	<b>FALL RECRUITMENT KICKOFF 2 OF 4   REG CLOSES 5/26</b> NOBSCOT SCOUT RESERVATION   6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
<b>30</b> SAT	<b>CAMP SQUANTO APPRECIATION DAY   RSVP IS HELPFUL</b> CAMP SQUANTO   8:30 AM - 3:30 PM <b>PHOTOGRAPHY MB   REG CLOSES 5/23</b> KENNETH BERMAN PHOTOGRAPHY   9:30 AM - 11:30 AM <b>REPTILE &amp; AMPHIBIAN STUDY MB   REG CLOSES 5/25</b> SOUTH SHORE YMCA NATURE CENTER   10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
<b>31</b> SUN	<b>MOTORBOATING MB   SOLD OUT</b> HULL LIFESAVING MUSEUM   8:30 AM - 12:30 PM <b>ROWING MB   REG CLOSES 5/24</b> HULL LIFESAVING MUSEUM   1:00 PM - 5:00 PM



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# Pack Announcements & Events

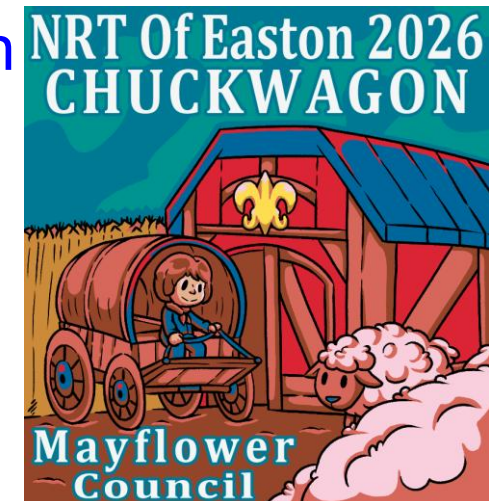




Join us for the 2026 Chuckwagon Derby - June 6 at the NRT of Easton, 9AM to 3:30PM - Bring your lunch

**Fun Farm Themed Activities:**

- Wheels Fell off Your Wagon!
- Plant your Crops
- Build a Home for your Feathered Friends
- Crops need Water
- Don't lose your Sheep
- Stack the Hay –
- and Assorted Other Games



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## FALL RECRUITMENT

# KICK-OFF

MAY

21

Thursday

⌚ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Council Service Center  
83 Cedar Street Milford,  
MA 01757



MAY

29

Friday

⌚ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

White's Lodge  
Nobscot Scout Reservation  
9 Nobscot Road  
Sudbury, MA 01776



JUNE

2

Tuesday

⌚ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Marshfield Middle School  
500 Furnace Street  
Marshfield, MA 02050



JUNE

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Tuesday

⌚ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Abington Public Library  
600 Gliniewicz Way  
Abington, MA 02351



JUNE

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Thursday

⌚ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

First Congregational Church of  
Norwood  
100 Winter Street  
Norwood, MA 02062

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# Troop, Crew & Ship Announcements & Events



# Upcoming Merit Badge Classes

## May

9th - Search & Rescue - Nobscot **(SOLD OUT)**

12th - Personal Management with Bluestone Bank (Bridgewater)

17th - Climbing Merit Badge with Metro West YMCA Hopkinton

17th - Soil and Water Conservation Merit Badge at the S Shore

YMCA Nature Center

30th - Photography Merit Badge with Kenneth Berman Photography (Foxborough)

30th - Reptile and Amphibian Study Merit Badge at the South Shore YMCA Nature Center

31st - Motorboating Merit Badge with Hull Lifesaving Museum **(SOLD OUT)**

31st - Rowing Merit Badge with Hull Lifesaving Museum

## June

11th - Cybersecurity with South Shore Bank

11th & 18th - Salesmanship Merit Badge with WINNING, Inc (Newton)

20th - Motorboating Merit Badge with Hull Lifesaving Museum

27th - Rowing Merit Badge with Hull Lifesaving Museum

**MORE COMING SOON - Visit at [mayflowerbsa.org/events](http://mayflowerbsa.org/events)**



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# Go To Philmont Scout Ranch in 2027 with Mayflower Council!



Backpacking treks at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimmeron, New Mexico provide an unforgettable adventure in backpacking across miles of rugged, rocky trails. Programs feature the best of the old west—horseback riding, burro packing, gold panning, chuckwagon dinners, and interpretive history—with exciting challenges for today such as rock climbing, mountain biking, and sport shooting.

**The Mayflower Council has reserved a trek in July 2027 for a Council Contingent Crew to travel to Philmont and participate in a once in a lifetime experience for Scouts. Learn more about this trip at our LIVE informational Webinar on Thursday, May 7th at 7PM via Zoom.**

**Request more  
information  
or attend our May 7th  
Information Session**

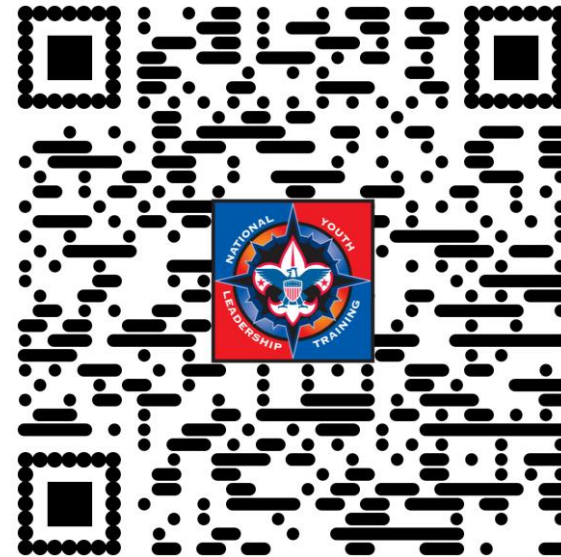


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# National Youth Leadership Training

Mayflower Council is offering a Two-Weekend NYLT at Camp Squanto  
**June 12-14, and June 19-21, 2026**

- Scouts BSA members must be at least 13, a **First Class Scout** or higher, and completed **Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops**.
- Venturers and Sea Scouts must be at least 14, (or 13 and have completed eighth grade) through age 20, and completed **Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews or Ships**.
- Cost: **\$750**.



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# Mayflower Council - Flight to Eagle Seminar

**WHEN - Wednesday, June 9th 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm**

**WHERE - Virtual**

Join us to learn about the New Eagle Scout Process.

Review the requirements for the Eagle Scout rank.

Learn how to pick an Eagle Scout Project and complete it successfully.

Review the Eagle Scout Project and Application NEW upload process.



Link to watch January's video:

<https://251sa.org/FTEvideo>



Link to updated Advancement Page:

<https://251sa.org/Advancement>



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# National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience

**NAYLE** is an advanced leadership program held at the **Summit and Philmont High-Adventure Bases**. It builds on the **NYLT Experience** by using hands-on teamwork, leadership, selfless service, ethical decision-making, the core elements to help young leaders strengthen these skills.



Scan here to have your Scouts take advantage of a week at **NAYLE - Summit Bechtel Reserve - 1 June Week or 1 July Week**



Scan here to have your Scouts take advantage of a week at **NAYLE - Philmont Scout Ranch - 1 June and 3 July weeks available**



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## ***BREAK OUT Session***

2025-2026 Roundtable Evaluation – What has worked?  
What has not? Future desires, Topic Suggestions,  
Presenter Suggestions, Suggestions to improve  
participation (both live and virtual)



# The Future of Roundtable





## **HISTORICAL ANALYSIS: THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE SCOUTING ROUNDTABLE**

Historically, the District Roundtable served as the essential "information lifeline" for Scouting leaders before the digital age. It held a monopoly on organizational knowledge, acting as the sole physical source for national policy updates, program literature, and event registrations. Additionally, it functioned as a vital "community of practice" where leaders mastered outdoor skills through live demonstrations and coordinated the sharing of expensive equipment across the district.

# Why Roundtables Matter in Modern Scouting America

**1. Collaborative Problem Solving (The "Unit-to-Unit" Network)** While the *Guide to Safe Scouting* provides the rules, Roundtable provides the *application*.

- **Peer Mentorship:** A new Cubmaster struggling with a specific behavioral issue or a low-attendance pack can get real-time advice from a veteran leader who has faced the same challenge.
- **Resource Sharing:** Units often coordinate "shared" events or equipment (e.g., sharing a Pinewood Derby track or a specialized trailer), which reduces the financial burden on individual families.

**2. Standardizing Program Quality (NCAP & Policy Alignment)** With the shift toward **NCAP 2026**, Roundtables serve as the primary delivery vehicle for official policy updates.

- **Intentional Oversight:** It is the space where the District Commissioner team ensures that every unit is hearing the same message regarding safety, the SAFE framework, and membership standards.
- **The "Big Picture":** It helps local leaders see that they are part of a larger movement, rather than just an isolated group meeting in a church basement.

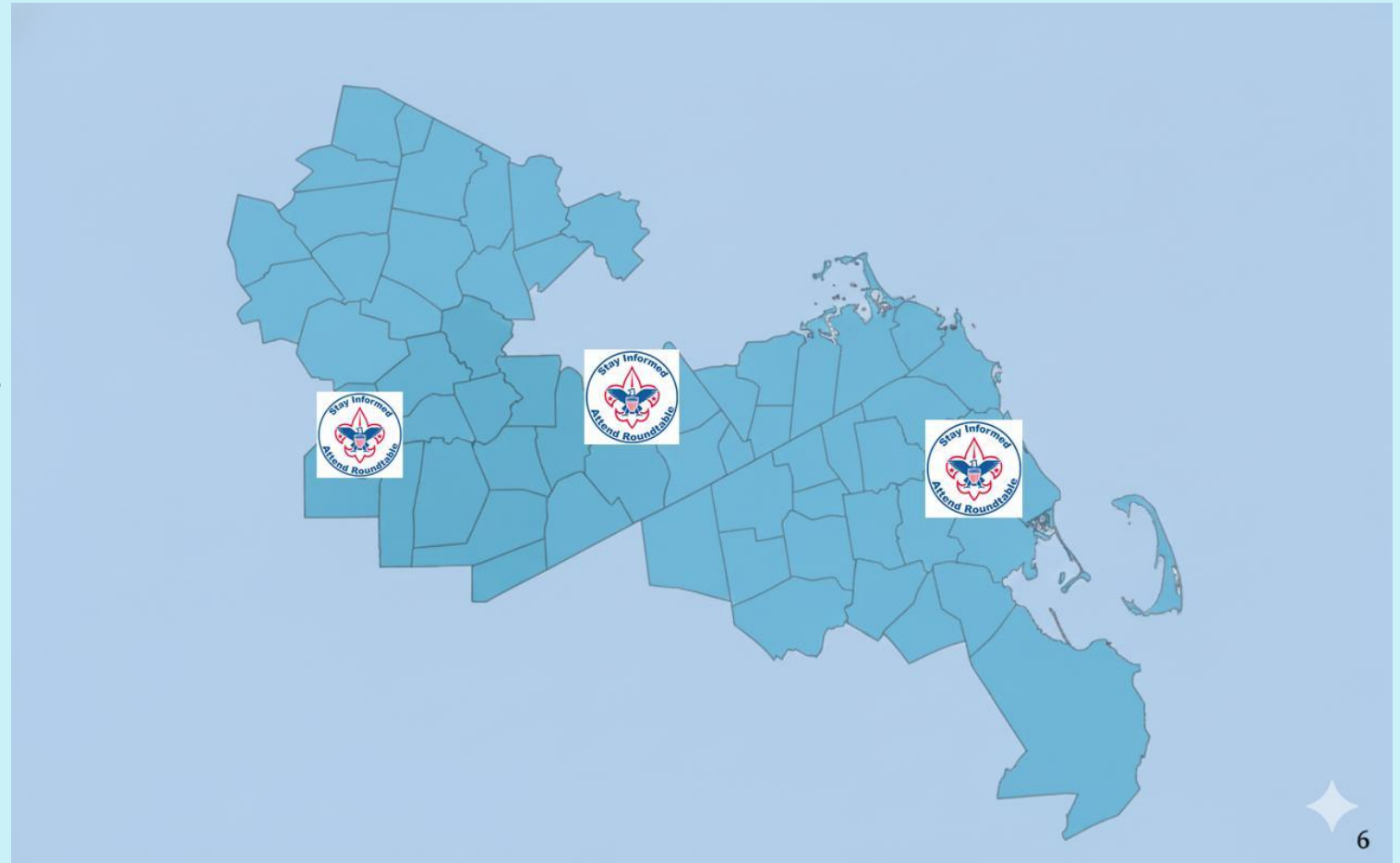
**3. Combatting Leader Burnout (Retention)** Scouting America data consistently shows that "isolated" leaders are the most likely to drop out.

- **Emotional Support:** Being a volunteer is difficult. Roundtables provide a "Third Space" where leaders can vent frustrations, celebrate wins, and feel recognized by their peers.
- **Information Overload Filter:** A good Roundtable "curates" the flood of emails from Council and National into the three or four most important things a leader needs to do *this month*.

# Mayflower Council's Roundtable Program today

## 3 locations

- No Fees to use space
- Good parking
- Handicap Accessible
- Great Wifi
- Hybrid





Stats for Mayflower Council Sept to April RT's



Location	Month	In Person	
		Online	
Marshfield	September	33	40
Norwood	October	24	12
Milford	November	16	6
Marshfield	December	25	18
Norwood	January	16	12
Milford	February	14	26
Marshfield	March	22	34
Norwood	April	9	18
Milford	May	14	

**How can we increase attendance?**

**How Many per year?**

**Where?**

**When?**

Online and in person?

THANK YOU



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