



WOOD BADGE

Advanced Training for all Scout Leaders

May 1-3 & May 16-17, 2026

LETTER FROM THE COURSE DIRECTOR

WHAT IS WOOD BADGE

Reflecting the best of nearly a century of Scouting Experience, Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles, and successful organizations throughout the country.

Wood Badge training was begun by Baden Powell in 1919 as a way to ensure that the leaders of Scout troops were properly trained. Since then, Wood Badge has been held worldwide, providing advanced leadership training to thousands of Scout leaders.

Wood Badge builds upon the best traditions and experiences of Scouting America and draws from a wide range of courses within and beyond the bounds of Scouting to present the latest in leadership theory and team development.

Dear Registered Scout Leader(s),

I am honored to be the course director for 3-59-26 Wood Badge training for the Greater Yosemite Council. I would like to invite you to attend this leadership training opportunity. I have chosen the theme, *"Train Them, Trust Them, Let Them Lead."* It is our responsibility and privilege to prepare our youth to be successful adults in society. To do this, we must be ready to provide them with a strong scouting program, positive role models, leadership skills, and opportunities to grow and develop to their full potential.

Wood Badge is a National Training course that will challenge participants to become the best leaders that they can be! The course is like no other scout training course you have ever taken. It is the goal of our training staff to offer you an experience that will be rewarding and fulfilling in all that you do and one that will never be forgotten. The lessons learned reach far beyond Scouting and will be useful in all aspects of your life. The friends you will make, the fun you will have, and living the Scouting program firsthand will be a life changing experience. I encourage you to ask any fellow Scouters that have completed Wood Badge to share their experience with you. Their testimonials will be very powerful as to the value of this course.

Participants will be taught skills such as effective listening, conflict management, communication skills, and how to lead positive change. The course offers time to practice these skills in a fun and yet an effective way. I invite you to register for this course and accept my challenge of becoming the "BEST LEADER YOU CAN BE!". Thank you in advance for serving in this most rewarding goal to *"Train them, Trust Them, Let Them Lead."*

Sincerely,
James Jones
3-59-26 Wood Badge Course Director

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Wood Badge is designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of all Scouters, particularly unit level Scouters, such as Cub leaders, Scoutmasters and assistants, Venturing Crew Advisors, Committee Chairs and additional members serving Scouters at the district and council levels.

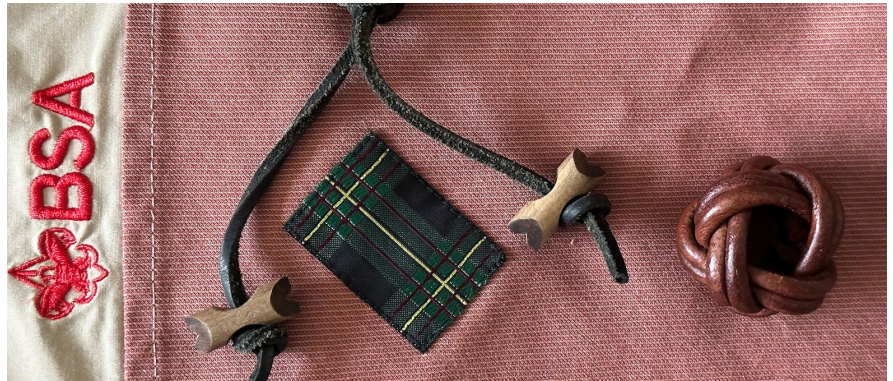
To attend a Wood Badge course, individuals must:

1. Be registered members of Scouting America.
(Young adults must be 18 and older to attend as long as the appropriate Youth Protection guidelines are followed. They do not need to be registered in an adult leadership role).
2. Have completed the basic training courses for their scouting position.
3. Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment. All participants are required to complete the annual Health and Medical record form.

5 Full Days

May 1-3, 2026 - Friday, Saturday & Sunday

May 16-17, 2026 - Saturday & Sunday



The 3-59-26 Wood Badge course is limited to 48 participants, so do not wait, REGISTER TODAY to secure your spot.

Course Fee Price - \$330

Late fee of \$50 after Mar 23rd, 2026

A deposit of \$60 is required to hold your spot and full payment is due before end of the day Mar 23rd, 2026.

Please go to www.yosemitescouting.org to register or use the QR code on the left for registration/more information.

Options are available online or by calling GYC Council office at (209) 545-6320



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