



# Orange County Council University of Scouting Saturday, May 6, 2023 8am to 3pm

Santiago Canyon College, 8045 E Chapman Ave, Orange, CA 92869 [{map}](#)  
<https://ocbsa.org/uofs>

## Youth Courses

(YTH 1)

### **Den Chief for Scouts**

**(3 class periods in duration)**

Period: 1, 2 & 3

For Youth: Join us in an informative training session that will prepare YOU to Lead the Way into Scouting as a Den Chief. A Den Chief is a Boy Scout, or Venturer assisting a Cub Scout Den. To become a Den Chief, you must be trained in the position.

## Cub Scout Leader Courses

(CUB 1)

### **Cub Scout Crafts**

Period: 4

Need some extra ideas for crafts that young fingers can readily make. Come and explore a variety of crafts that your Cub Scouts can have an exciting experience producing and will be with them forever (if only as a memory). No artistic talent required.

(CUB 2)

### **Cub Scout put the Outing in Scouting**

Period: 3

Camping and outdoor activities are an integral and important part of the Scouting program. Learn about age-appropriate outdoor activities and how to bring a Webelos camping program to your unit. Learn who can go, where & when to go, what to take, and what to do once you arrive.

(CUB 3)

### **Pack Plan for a Year**

**(2 class periods in duration)**

Period: 4 & 5

Together we will help you build a 12-month plan for your pack meetings that is fun, easy to run and a repeatable resource for years to come.

(CUB 4)

**Pack Committee Chair and Committee Member**

**(2 class periods in duration)**

Period: 1 & 2

This position-specific course for Cub Scout pack committee members is intended to provide members with the basic information they need to support a pack and conduct a successful pack program. This course is conducted based on the five parts of a typical pack committee meeting and is best when delivered at one time to all members of the pack's committee and, if possible, the Cubmaster and assistant Cubmaster.

(CUB 5)

**Pack Recruitment**

Period: 3

Build a recruiting program that reaches youth in your area, appeals to their desires, and shows the value for their parents. Build your toolbelt of resources to help your unit stand out!

(CUB 6)

**Blue & Gold Banquet**

Period: 4

Blue and Gold is the pinnacle of the Cub Scouting calendar. Learn how to plan this February Cub Scout Birthday Celebration, from start to finish. Tips and ideas, decorations and sample program agendas will be discussed.

(CUB 7)

**Pinewood Derby**

Period: 3

Learn the finer points of planning, running, and executing a Pinewood Derby to bring excitement to your Scouts and Scouters. Learn the tips and tricks that make for a great event for all!

(CUB 8)

**Den Leader Hacks**

Period: 2

Plan a year's worth of Pack meetings. Learn how to incorporate themes and ideas that will keep the meetings fun and exciting, year after year. Using the Character Connections, resources for new ideas, and quick Fill-ins for when you need them.

(CUB 9)

**Rain Gutter Regatta**

Period: 5

Learn the finer points of planning, running, and executing a Raingutter Regatta to bring excitement to your Scouts and Scouters. Learn the tips and tricks that make for a great event for all!

(CUB 10)

**Adults transitioning from a Pack to a Troop**

Period: 1

There are significant differences between Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA. This info will help you with that transition.

(CUB 11)

### **Arrow-of-Light Transition**

Period: 5

Transitioning from Cub Scouts to Scouts BSA is a major step that needs careful investigation. Learn how to make this transition successful through Arrow-of-Light transition fairs, Den Chiefs, Scout Troop invitations, Cub Scout Day Camps, Camporees, Camporalls, bridging ceremonies, and resident camps. Learn the Troop and the Pack responsibilities.

## Scouts BSA Leader Courses

(BSA 1)

### **Tailgate Camping – Novice to Expert**

Period: 1

Learn about the activities and equipment needed for the camper graduating from backyard to wilderness. Check out beaches, mountains, deserts, and forests, and learn the proper safety procedures, equipment, and permits needed. Discover new and exciting activities for your campout and where to go.

(BSA 2)

### **The Trail from Life to Eagle**

Period: 4

Scout from Life to Eagle can be the most challenging and rewarding. A Scout must know how to prioritize his plan, what the pitfalls may be, and how to stay focused on the ultimate prize. The session will help adult leaders understand the key concepts to ensure their Scout travels a successful path.

(BSA 3)

### **Eagle Scout Projects**

Period: 5

What is an Eagle Project? More importantly, what is NOT an Eagle project? This session will confirm truths and dispel myths. We will discuss how to advise a Scout in picking a project, delve into the three sections of the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook, and discuss timing the project with other requirements for attaining the rank of Eagle.

(BSA 4)

### **Troop Committee Chair and Committee Member**

**(2 class periods in duration)**

Period: 1 & 2

This position-specific course for Troop committee members is intended to provide members with the basic information they need to support a Troop and conduct a successful Troop program. This course is conducted based on the five parts of a typical Troop committee meeting and is best when delivered at one time to all members of the Troop's committee and, if possible, the Scoutmaster and ASM

(BSA 5)

### **Citizenship in Society Merit Badge Counselor**

Period: 4

What you need to know, to be an effective counselor for the Citizenship in Society Eagle Required (July 1, 2022) Merit Badge. Completing this course, along with attending and completing GEN 11 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Scouting will provide the necessary training to be a Citizenship in Society Merit Badge Counselor. A certificate of completion will be provided following completion of both courses.

(BSA 6)

**Merit Badge Counselor**

Period: 2

Want to be a Merit Badge Counselor? Attend this course to ensure you know all the requirements to be successful in delivering merit badge instruction to scouts in a manner consistent with program objectives.

(BSA 7)

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(BSA 8)

**How to conduct a Scoutmaster Conference**

Period: 1

The Scoutmaster conference allows the Scoutmaster to review a Scout's growth in his understanding of Scouting's ideals, how the Scout applies these ideals in his daily life and in the troop. Come learn the finer points of conducting a Scoutmaster Conference to ensure it's a positive and enabling event for your Scouts.

(BSA 9)

**How to do a Board of Review**

Period: 2

The purpose of a Board of Review is to determine the quality of the Scout's experience and decide whether the requirements for the rank have been fulfilled. If so, the board not only approves the Scout's advancement but also provides encouragement to continue the quest for the next rank. Come learn the finer points of conducting a review and how to make it a positive experience for both your youth and adult participants.

(BSA 10)

**Scouts BSA Girl Troop Development**

Period: 1

Scouts BSA has a program for everyone! If you are a girl between the ages 11-17, endless fun, valuable skills, lifelong friends and more await you in Scouts BSA. Find out why girls everywhere are saying Scout me in!

(BSA 11)

**First Year Backpacking**

Period: 2

Unless the trails are scenic, Scouts who are new to backpacking can find it boring and Scouts who are less physically fit may view it as little more than hard work in disguise. Fortunately, there are plenty of things you can do to make backpacking fun.

(BSA 12)

### **Trek Safely**

Period: 4

While Trek Safely is designed to help Scouting groups to be fully prepared for a backcountry trek, it also will help every youth and adult leader recognize situations that may develop where the group should stop and make camp or turn back.

(BSA 13)

### **How to pick, plan and train for a Philmont Hike**

Period: 3

A Philmont 7 or 12-day adventure can be the crown jewel in any Scout's experience. Come learn how to prepare for a hike, how to pick your adventure and what to look out for as you prepare to spend time in Scouting Paradise.

(BSA 14)

### **The Scoutmaster Minute and Stories**

Period: 2

With the right preparation, a scoutmaster minute can become something that a youth will remember for a long time- it could even change a life.

## District Leader Courses

(DIST 1)

### **RT Commissioner Basic Training**

**(3 class periods in duration)**

Period: 1, 2 & 3

In this course, the participants will be learning how to plan a year roundtable program to best serve the units in their districts. They will also discuss how to promote Roundtables to the units they serve.

## Board Member Courses

(CNCL 1)

### **Board Member Training**

**(2 class periods in duration)**

Period: 1 & 2

Board Members are required to be trained. Learn about your role and responsibility, and how your efforts support and grow the Units and Districts we serve.

(CNCL 2)

### **Open Session w Council Key 3**

Period: 3

Orange County Council's current President and Scout Executive, Council Chairman, and Council Commissioner will discuss the future of the Council and the Boy Scouts of America and answer all questions.



# General Leader Courses for all Levels

(GEN 1)

## **How to Market your unit or use Social Media for meetings**

Period: 3

Learn the tips and tricks of marketing your unit in 2022, whether that's with Facebook, Instagram, Tik Tok or other popular tools. What's appropriate, what catches the eye of youth and parents and what is within Brand Guidelines for the Boy Scouts of America.

(GEN 2)

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(GEN 3)

## **Scoutbook Overview and Hacks**

Period: 2

Learn the finer points of navigating Scoutbook to help you operate your unit, find the resources and reports you need to be successful!

(GEN 4)

## **my.scouting.org for unit leaders**

Period: 5

Learn how to navigate my.scouting.org to find the resources, training, and reports your unit needs to be successful!

(GEN 5)

## **How to become a Nova Counselor or SuperNova Mentor**

Period: 4

Interested in delivering the BSA STEM/Nova Awards, but don't know where to start? This course will provide some tried and tested means and methods for delivering Nova Awards to Scouts in groups ranging from small to large, and from in person to virtual. This course is based on the highly successful El Camino Real District Virtual Nova Award Program which during the last 2 years has served over 300 Scouts across the nation. For an introduction to the STEM/NOVA Awards and how to become a Nova Counselor and/or Supernova Mentor, see the morning course STEM/NOVA Awards.

(GEN 6)

## **The Nuts and Bolts of Putting on a Nova Class**

Period: 5

Learn about the BSA initiative in mathematics, science, engineering and technology (STEM), The Nova & Supernova awards for all levels of Scouting will be described along with information on how Cubs/Scouts/Venture can earn them. Participants will learn how to become Nova Counselors and Supernova Mentors. Discover how your unit can facilitate earning these rare and exciting awards. To see examples of very successful Nova Award programs, see the afternoon course Delivering a STEM/NOVA Award Program.

(GEN 7)

### **BSA & Venturing put the Outing in Scouting**

Period: 5

This class will go over various activities that can be done on outing trips such as hiking, camping and backpacking. Leave- No-Trace, low impact, and fun activities will all be covered!

(GEN 8)

### **Religious Awards**

Period: 1

Learn about Religious Emblems and how they support a Scout's Duty to God. All religious denominations have programs available for Cubs through Adults. An overview will be presented plus where specific information can be obtained and how your Scout can earn the emblem of his faith.

(GEN 9)

### **Outdoor Ethics Awareness**

Period: 1

This course introduces the Leave No Trace ethics and skills needed by Youth and Adults at all program levels to understand the basic principles and how to apply them in the outdoors. It also reviews the Scouts BSA 2nd Class and 1st Class requirements and the Venturing Outdoor Bronze and Ranger Award requirements.

(GEN 10)

### **Charter Organization Representative**

**(2 class periods in duration)**

Period: 1

This class covers the responsibility of the Charter Organization Representative and their role as liaison between the organization leaders that sponsor a Cub Pack, Scout Troop or Venturing Crew and the Scout leaders of each unit.

(GEN 11)

### **Volunteering in your Community**

Period: 3

Want to get out and provide community service, but don't know where to start? Maybe you're looking for something different. Learn about how to find opportunities in your community and show the positive influence of Scouting.

(GEN 12)

### **Youth Protection Training**

**(2 class periods in duration)**

Period: 4 & 5

Updated youth protection training is available for staff, leaders and parents. The training encompasses Venturing and Exploring Youth Protection. This course must be taken every 2 years to maintain registration.



(GEN 13)

### **Northern Tier Adventure**

Period: 2

Northern Tier High Adventure is a collection of high adventure bases run by the Boy Scouts of America in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness of Minnesota, Ontario's Quetico Provincial Park and Canadian Crown Lands, Manitoba's Atikaki Provincial Wilderness Park, Woodland Caribou Provincial Park, and points beyond.

(GEN 14)

### **Philmont Training Center & High Adventure Base**

Period: 5

High in the northeastern New Mexico mountains, there is a beautiful and wondrous place called Philmont. Learn about the Philmont Training Center, the opportunities you have to grow your skills and the skills of leaders in your unit. Find out what it means to be a Philmont Ambassador at the premier High Adventure Base.

(GEN 15)

### **Fishing in Orange County!**

Period: 3

Fishing is a low-cost outdoor activity for all Scouts. It is safe, fun and rewarding. Fishing is a top-four preferred Outdoor Activity for Scouts. Learn more about how to expand your unit's fishing adventures here in OC!

(GEN 16)

### **Earn your Alumni Award Knot!**

Period: 4

Advancement in Scouting is not limited to youth. Scouters also have many opportunities to learn and grow. Many of these accomplishments are evidenced by square knots worn on your field uniform. One of the most uncommon and easiest to earn Scouter awards is the BSA Alumni Award. Come see how you can help your unit, district, and council as you earn this award.

(GEN 17)

### **OA Lodgemaster Basic Training**

**(2 class periods in duration)**

Period: 4 & 5

(GEN 18)

### **Flag Etiquette**

Period: 1

Flag Etiquette Basic and advanced information regarding proper flag etiquette for Scouts and Scouters. Learn about a simple flag ceremony and maybe practice it. Learn about the USA Flag Code and where to answer all your questions about proper flag etiquette. Come with questions – leave with answers.

(GEN 19)

### **Basic Knot Tying**

Period: 5

Ideas for teaching knot tying to your Cub Scouts while learning the five basic knots used by the Wolf, Bear and Webelos.

(GEN 20)

### **How to make Survival Bracelets**

Period: 5

DIY survival bracelets make great gifts since you can personalize the size and color. You can even make your four-legged friend a new collar. Our DIY guide will show you how to craft your own bracelet using a cobra weave technique. Once you've got the technique down, use your imagination to make presents for all your adventurous friends and family.

(GEN 21)

### **New Member Coordinator**

Period: 3

Sustaining strong membership in a unit depends partly on reaching new audiences to invite them to join the unit and partly on engaging new members and their families so that they feel welcomed and want to stay. The role of the New Member Coordinator is to ensure that both keys to success take place.

## High Adventure HAT Courses

(HAT 1)

### **HAT Planning A Long-Term Sierra Trek**

Period: 3

Want to take the next step up from weekend backpacking in the local mountains and deserts to where John Muir called the Range of Light? AKA the mighty Sierra Nevada. Multi -day treks in the Sierras, including the John Muir Trail and Mt. Whitney, can be the peak of the Scouting experience...come and learn how. A plethora of cool High Adventure Awards for these treks are available for Scouts and Venturers to earn...see the awards at OCCHAT.org

(HAT 2)

### **HAT Electronic Technology On Trail**

Period: 4

This course expands on traditional map and compass training, and will include an introduction to GPS, GPS cell phone applications and other add on software, GPS trackers including 2-way satellite text messaging, satellite phones and solar chargers. If the only electronic device you were allowed to carry into the wilderness when you were a Scout was your flashlight, well, those days are long gone.

## Commissioner College Courses

[\\*open to everyone interested](#)

(BCS 101)

### **Core Concepts of Unit Service**

Period: 4

This course reviews and reinforces the commissioner core concepts and identifies the key skills needed for commissioner to be able to assess the units they serve.

(BCS 103)

**Linking District Resources**

Period: 5

This course examines the role of the commissioner in linking units to district resources. It reviews functions of the district, district resources to support units, and utilizing the unit service plan to connect units to needed district resources.

(BCS 104)

**Contacting Units**

Period: 1

This course reviews the commissioner service objectives of contacting units to capture their strengths and linking unit needs to district operating committees, including (1) use of Commissioner Tools, (2) understanding early warning signals of unit issues, and (3) identifying focus areas for observing specific unit needs.

(BCS 106)

**Coaching Leaders**

Period: 2

In this course a commissioner will become familiar with the new Coaching Model and how to use it to better serve their units.

(BCS 117)

**The Comm and the Unit Key 3**

Period: 3

This course examines the roles of the Unit Key 3 and how a commissioner works and coaches each.

(BCS 151)

**The Roundtable Comm team**

Period: 4

This course identifies the purpose of Roundtables, discusses what a successful Roundtable looks and feels like, describes the positions of a Roundtable Commissioner team and the qualities of team members, and review the duties and responsibilities of each team member.

(BCS 152)

**Planning, Implementing, and Promoting RT**

Period: 5

In this course, the participants will be learning how to plan a year roundtable program to best serve the units in their districts. They will also discuss how to promote Roundtables to the units they serve.

(DCS 503)

**Developing Your Project or Thesis**

Period: 4

This course covers the thesis outline and a variety of suggestions for writing and revising the report.

(DCS 550)

**Leveraging RT in Unit Service**

Period: 5

Consistent communication throughout the Unit Service team, especially during the monthly district commissioner meeting, is key to providing effective service to units through the roundtable program.

(MCS 311)

**All About the ADC's Role**

Period: 3

The Assistant District (ADC) can make or break a district's ability to ensure that every unit received competent commissioner service. The ADC is an important two-way communication link between the district and unit commissioners. An ADC's responsibilities include assisting the District Commissioner (DC) in recruiting unit commissioners, coaching Unit Commissioner's (UC), maintaining regular contact with UC's and providing appropriate guidance in unit service.

(MCS 313)

**Onboarding Commissioners**

Period: 1

In this course, participants will learn the importance of onboarding commissioners into their new position. The Onboarding process will be discussed and how it is completed.

(MCS 314)

**The Commissioner and the Professional**

Period: 2

This course will explore the relationship between the commissioner and the professional, their common origins, common goals, and how they can effectively work together.