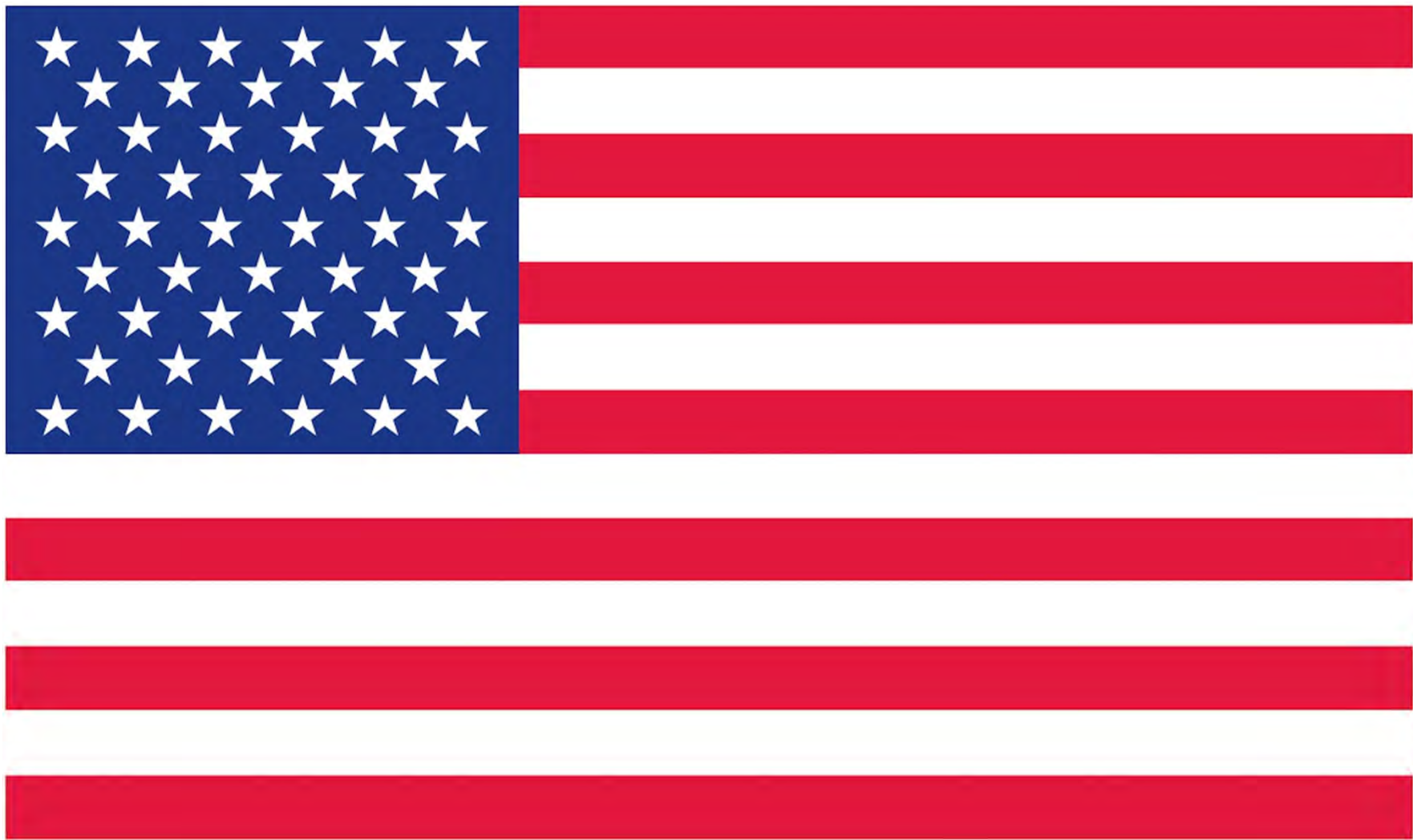




Cardinal District Roundtable
3 April 2025



District Chair's Update



Tim Forrest

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District Chair's Update

- ❖ 2025 Report to the Nation
 - Youth Leadership Impact - over 1 million youth participants nationwide engaged in character development, leadership, and community service
 - Service to the Nation - Scouts completed over 15 million hours of community service in 2024, from disaster relief to environmental conservation
 - Advancement and Recognition - 25,000+ Eagle Scouts earned in 2024, significant growth in STEM and merit badge participation
 - Commitment to Inclusion and Growth - Continued efforts to welcome all youth, with programs expanding into underserved communities
 - New Initiative - Scouting for Clean Waterways is a nationwide conservation project launching Earth Day 2025

District Commissioner's Update




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District Commissioner's Update

❖ Pictures in my.scouting.org

Adding a Photo to your Profile 

National 03/03/2025

In an effort to make Scouting the safest activity for our youth, we are asking all adult members to add a photo of their face to their membership record. This would allow other leaders to verify you visually at Scouting events. You can add the photo by clicking on the blue camera icon found on your My.Scouting home page.

❖ Carolina Commissioner College

- Thank you to all of the Commissioners that attended, earned degrees, and served on the Faculty and Staff!

District Commissioner's Updates

- Summer Activities Tracking - once again, the Council needs to gather data on summer activity participation.
 - Pack - Did your pack participate in a Summer Outdoor Activity? If yes, where?
 - Troops - Did your Troop go on a long-term outing? If yes, where? High Adventure trips do count. If your Troop goes more than one location, please indicate.
 - Crews and Ship - Did your unit go on a Tier 3 or Super Activity? If yes, where?
- This information is needed by the August Roundtable - 7 August 2025

2026 National Jamboree



- For contingent information: 2026NSJ.421@gmail.com
- For staff information: <https://jamboree.scouting.org/staff/>

District Professionals's Update



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Alicia Thomas

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District Executive's Update

- Scout Cards are delayed in shipment, estimated arrival is mid-next week
- Scheduling Investment in Character presentations in April, May, and June
- Recruitment: Looking for assistance in getting stand up meetings with principals
- OC's new Exploring Executive, Tara Holberg, and DE Laura RomoMarin are here tonight!

YPT Update and Safety Moment

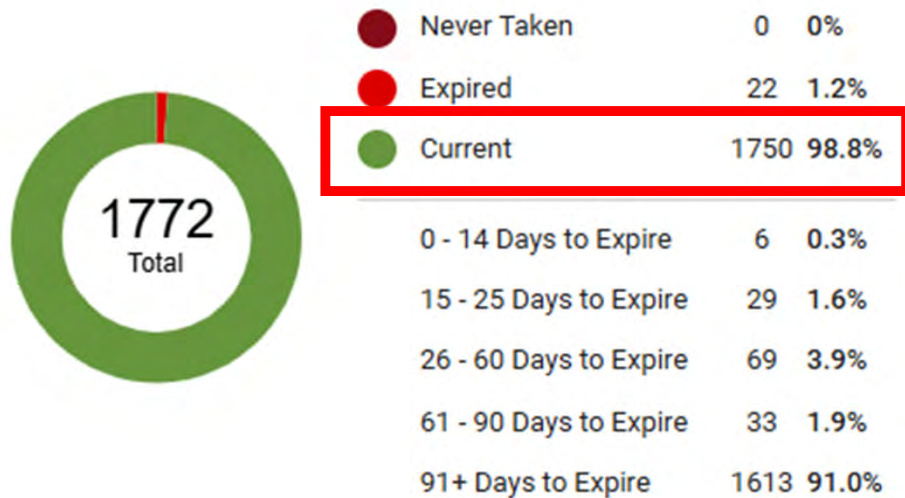


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District YPT Update

Last data refresh: 03/31/2025 at 07:09 AM



YPT Compliance Monitoring Process

- YPT Aging Status reviewed monthly – identifying YPT expirations within the next 30-60 days
- Unit Notification
 1. List of expired participants shared with the District Commissioner
 2. District Commissioner shares with Unit Commissioner
 3. Unit Commissioner shares with unit Key 3

Safety Moment: Snake Bites

It's spring and temperatures are rising, snakes are likely emerging from their winter dens, so it's "snake season"

CARE FOR SNAKE BITES

Venomous

DO

- ✓ Immobilize the injured part of the body.
- ✓ Gently wash the bite with soap and water.
- ✓ Seek medical care immediately!
- ✓ Carry the victim out, if possible, because their reduced activity may slow the spread of the venom.

If attempting to carry the victim delays care, then have them walk.

DO NOT

- Delay getting the victim to emergency health care by taking time to do such things as cleaning the wound.
That can be done on the way to the emergency department.
- Cut the victim's skin.
- Use mouth suction or any other suction device.
- Apply ice or cold packs.
- Apply a compression bandage to any snake bite.
It does not help and only slows the victim getting to advanced medical treatment.

Non-Venomous

The same care for any minor wound: Wash with soap and water, apply antibiotic ointment if you are not allergic—and apply a bandage.

RESOURCES: [America's Poison Centers](#), [Bites and Stings](#), [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#), [Venomous Snakes](#)

Camp Durant Promotion

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Summer Camp Updates!

*Camp Durant
Welcome Home*



Cub Scout Summer Camp

- Swimming
- RATA (BB & Archery Ranges)
- Handicraft
- Outdoor Skills and Ecology
- Bouldering (Cubs)
- Climbing (Webelos)
- Friday Night Renaissance Fair!



Cubs of the Kingdom

JUNE 12-14

Hark!

Come Cub Knights and gentlefolk and embark upon a journey to the fair Camp Durant for a time filled with adventure and cheer!

Partake in the merriment of summers bounty:

- Noble art of Target Sports
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Youth: \$100
Adult: \$30

Register: [OCScouts.org](https://www.OCScouts.org)
Registration closes 6/1

Program Updates:

- Next Level Stuff =
 - Recommended for scouts aged 14 and up
 - Week of fun filled activities that takes scouting to a new level!
 - Scouts sign up for NLS for the whole week (Mon-Thurs).
 - Learn to hone in your skills through paddle board yoga, cooking lessons, multi-sport merit badge, Cheerwine and design, pioneering projects, STEM, and more!
 - NLS Director: Gillian Bird



Program Updates:

- Aquatics
 - Offering American Red Cross Lifeguarding
 - Coordinator: Jeff Pitts
 - Offered for all Scouts and Leaders aged 15+
 - Monday – Thursday 9:15-5:00
 - More info to come





New Offering: VENTURING during Week 3!

- We feel that all scouts should be able to experience summer camp. As a Venturer you can take merit badge sessions to earn requirements toward electives, cores, and other Awards.
- Use Camp as a resource to earning requirements toward rank advancement and awards
- Promotes Crews to take on a new type of adventure together and share in the comradery that is summer camp.
- **Promotes Venturing!**

Venturing Continued:

- Ranger
 - Emergency Preparedness
(MB req 2a, 2b = Req 4)
 - Wilderness Survival
(MB req 2 = Req 7b; MB req5 = 7ji)
 - Conservation
- Quest
 - Personal Fitness
(MB req 7 = 8biv)
 - Sports/Athletics MB
- Rank Advancement
 - Tier II or Tier III
- NOVA
 - Launch!
 - Power-Up
 - Hang-On
 - Numbers Don't Lie



Provisional EVERY WEEK

- Join Troop 1 and Troop 2 with scouts from all over for an entire week of summer camp fun!
- Girl Troops and Boys Troop EVERY WEEK
- Adult Leaders Include:
 - Greg McGrew
 - Ralph Embry
 - Jenny Goguen
 - Brad Baldwin
 - Seth Asbill
 - Glenn Traylor

Interested in being a Provisional adult leader with us?

Contact Camp Director:

Erin Shiflett (erin.shiflett@scouting.org)



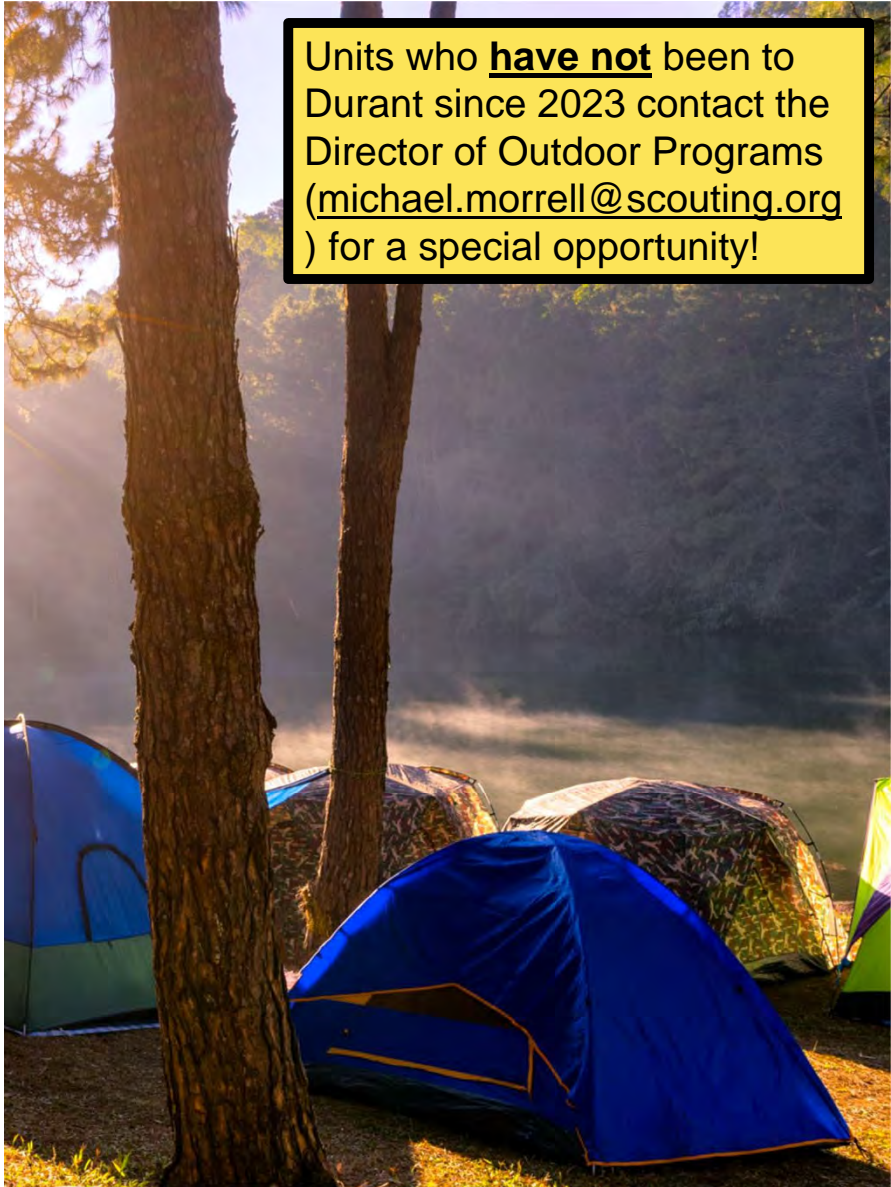
Adult Trainings:

- Swim and Water Rescue
 - Mon-Wed (2:00-4:00PM)
- Paddle Craft Safety
 - Tues-Thurs (10:00AM-12:00PM)
- Wilderness First Aid
 - Wednesday (8:30AM -5:30 PM)
- First Aid/CPR/AED
 - Thursday (2:00-4:00PM)
- Tower L1 Training
 - Mon-Thur (9:00 AM-5:15PM)



New Offering: 2nd Week Discount

Scouts who come to camp
for a second week can
receive a \$30 discount!



Units who **have not** been to
Durant since 2023 contact the
Director of Outdoor Programs
(michael.morrell@scouting.org
) for a special opportunity!

New Leader's Guide and Sessions Schedule

Visit our Camp Home page
to see our updated guide
and Sessions Schedule:



Additional Questions

Camp Director: Erin Shiflett

Erin.shiflett@scouting.org

919-475-4720



Program Update

#ADVENTUREON

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Assistance Needed

- ❖ 2025 Muslim Family Camp
 - Assistance is needed in the kitchen and with range and target activities
- ❖ Contact Mohammed Arafa for more information
 - Email:
mohammed.arafa@gmail.com



Scan the QR code to fill out a form to indicate areas where you may be able to assist with future events.

Upcoming Cub Scout Events

Dates	Event Name	Location
25-27 April 2025	Council Cuboree	Camp Durant
24 May 2025	Target Sports Day	
12-14 June 2025	Cub Scout Summer Camporee	Camp Durant
23-27 June 2025	Cub Scout Day Camp	
19 July 2025	Cub Scout STEM Day	
23 August 2025	Cub Scout Fishing Derby	

Registration information for Council events is available on the Occoneechee Council website

OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL

CUBOREE

DOWN ON THE FARM

Come out to Camp Durant & learn all about farm life, from animals to plants!



April 25-27



Cub Scouts & Siblings : \$15
Leaders & Parents: \$10

Target Sports, Animals, Crafts, Grill, Fishing & More

REGISTRATION OPENS FEB 1ST and CLOSES APRIL 1ST

summer CUBOREE

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Upcoming Scouts BSA Events

Dates	Event Name	Location
4-6 April 2025	Cardinal District Camporee	Camp Durant

Upcoming Older Youth Events

Dates	Event Name	Location
4-6 April 2025	Cardinal District Camporee	Camp Durant
5-13 July 2025	Commodore's Cruise	Oriental, NC

Registration information for Council events is available on the Occoneechee Council website

Training Updates



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David Dearman – dgdearman41403@gmail.com

Patrick Connelly – patrick@deadlypenguin.com

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Input on Training Needs

The Training Committee is seeking input on training courses that would benefit your unit, its leaders, and Cardinal District as a whole.

Please complete the Google Form with this information so the Training Committee knows what courses to focus on offering.

For questions, please contact Larry Williams, Dave Dearman, or Patrick Connelly



Training Opportunities

Dates	Course Title	Location
6 April 2025	BSA Rangemaster Training	Council Service Center
11-12 April 2025	Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS)	Camp Durant
25-27 April 2025	Paddlecraft Safety	Lake Crabtree
25-27 April 2025	BALOO hosted by Sandhills District	Camp Durant
23-24 May 2025	BALOO hosted by North Star District	Open Door Baptist Church
5-7 September 2025 4-5 October 2025	Wood Badge	Camp Durant
5-7 September 2025 3-5 October 2025	National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)	Camp Durant

Registration information for District/Council events is available on the Occoneechee Council website

First Aid Training Courses

- ❖ First Aid, CPR, AED (Blended Learning)
 - Offered the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Council Office
 - Registration is available on the Council website
- ❖ Wilderness First Aid
 - 14-16 March 2025
 - 3 May 2025



Wood Badge 15-421-25

Sep. 5-7, 2025
+
Oct. 4-5, 2025



You're Invited to Attend Wood Badge!

Are you a Scouter looking to strengthen your leadership skills, empower others to lead, and deliver impactful programming in your unit? Whether you are new to Scouting or have been a Scouter for years, **THIS YEAR is YOUR YEAR** to do **WOOD BADGE!**

Wood Badge is Scouting's ultimate leadership training course for adults. The course offers a 5-day immersion in the theory, practice, and experience of developing teams, communicating effectively, leading change, and so much more. The skills, tools, and resources you return with will benefit all areas of your life, not just in Scouting.

"I HAVE ATTENDED MANY LEADERSHIP AND TRAINING EVENTS IN MY LIFE. THIS IS THE FIRST THAT WAS NOT ONLY INFORMATIVE, BUT FUN!" -A 15-421-24 PARTICIPANT

"ATTEND WOOD BADGE EARLY ON IN SCOUTING LEADERSHIP. IT WILL MAKE YOU A BETTER LEADER FOR YOUTH." -A 15-421-24 PARTICIPANT

HOW:

- Register at ocscouts.org/wood-badge
- Cost is \$325 (if cost is a concern, please let us know)
- Must attend both weekends in full.

WHO:

- All registered Scouters, ages 18+, in all program areas (Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, Venturing, Exploring, District, and Council).

WHERE:

- Camp Durant, Carthage, NC



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OUTSTANDING SCOUTS NEEDED



CALLING ALL OUTSTANDING SCOUTS!

Occaneechee Council's Wood Badge Course needs 10 outstanding Scouts to help staff 15-421-25's course.

Qualifications:

15-20 years old

ILST/ILSC/ILSS training (NYLT preferred)

Unit Leader Recommendation

**PLEASE CONTACT
KELLY BRADBURY**

kelbrad75@gmail.com





OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL, BSA
Camp Durant, North Carolina

EXPERIENCE THE
NYLT
DIFFERENCE



Attend National Youth Leadership Training at Camp Durant in 2025!

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting and powerful program designed to provide members of Troops, Crews, & Ships (ages 13 and over) with leadership skills and experience they can use to lead themselves and others. This six-day-long outdoor experience represents a month in the model life of a typical Scout unit. The six days are split between two weekends at Camp Durant. This course is designed to complement leadership training at the unit level and is a follow on to Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops.

Dates: 5-7 Sep & 3-5 Oct
(Participants must attend all 6 days)

The NYLT course centers on the concepts of what a leader must BE, KNOW, and DO.

The objectives of the course are to:

- Provide a toolbox of leadership skills
- Relate these skills to leading in their unit
- Instill knowledge and confidence to run the unit program
- Enhance relationship between the Scout and the unit
- Share ideas and experiences with other Scouts
- Experience Scouting at its best
- Have fun!



FUN

Challenging

Adventure

LEARNING

Excitement

That's how Scouts describe NYLT!

<https://ocscouts.org/training/nylt/>



Cardinal District

APRIL 2025
11-12

Friday-Saturday

IOLS

INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SKILLS



Course Fee \$35
Includes course t-shirt, breakfast, lunch, snacks

SCAN TO REGISTER

- ➔ Camp in your own tent
- ➔ Leader networking
- ➔ Build your Skills



CAMP DURANT

Training Friday 5:30pm till Saturday 6pm
Camp Durant Armstrong Schedule

134... that's how many skills a Scout needs to learn to earn *First Class*. As a leader, do you know how to lead, teach and evaluate them all?

This course will build on your position specific training and give you the confidence to take youth into the outdoors and help them work through these requirements. Jump start your leadership skills and learn many of the basic skills every First class needs to know.

NOTE: IOLS is required for all Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, and Venturing Advisors to be considered BSA-trained in addition to the position-specific training for that position.

Advancement Update



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Advancement & Recognition

❖ Cub Scouts

- 134 Ranks Awarded
- 102 Arrows of Light

❖ Scouts BSA

- 144 Ranks Awarded
- 23 Eagles Recommended
- 3556 Merit Badges Earned

❖ Venturing

- 6 Ranks Awarded

❖ Guide to Advancement 2025:

filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33088.pdf

Advancement & Recognition

The JW Pope Family Eagle Scout Scholarship has two extensions:

1. The deadline for submitting is now 4/15/2025 (it was 3/31/2025) Hand delivered, or postmarked by 4/11/2025.
2. High school seniors who completed their Eagle rank by 3/31/2025, are eligible to apply by the deadline above (it was 12/31/2024).

The link to application on the Council website is:

https://ocscouts.org/wp-content/uploads/Eagles_2025_John-W-Pope-Scholarship-Application.pdf

Recognition Opportunities for New Eagle Scouts



Dave Gardener



Sandra Edens (Post 124)



Ryan Briggs

General Session – New Unit Metrics

District Metrics (as of 3 April)

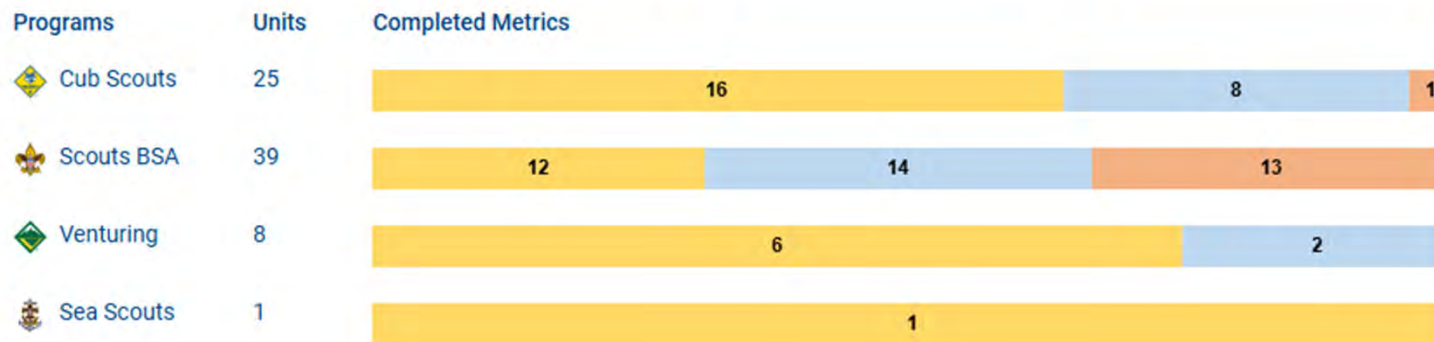
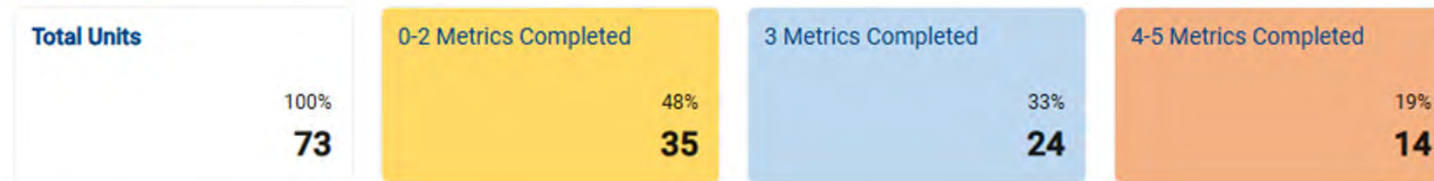
UNIT METRICS ⓘ

3 MONTH TREND

1 YEAR TREND



Overall District Summary ⓘ



What are these metrics?

- Scouting America has used scores to measure Unit Health for many years
- In 2024, a shift was introduced to move these Unit Health scores from a subjective scale (1 to 5) to objective measurements
- In February 2025, these new Unit Health metrics began to be rolled out in my.scouting.org - first via Commissioner Tools and next to Unit Key 3 on the Organization Manager page.
- The five Unit Health Metrics
 - Training, Unit Size, Unit Growth, Advancement/Leadership, Outdoor/Super Activity

What are these metrics?

- Training
 - Is your Unit Leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor, Skipper) and your Committee Chair trained in their position?
- Keep in Mind
 - Each Unit Leader type has different requirements to be considered 'Trained'
 - All Unit Leaders need Hazardous Weather training to be considered 'Trained'
 - Committee Chairs have program-specific training - just because you've taken Troop Committee Training doesn't mean that you're a trained Pack Committee Chair

What are these metrics?

- Unit Size
 - 20+ scouts in a Cub Scout Pack
 - 12+ scouts in a Scouts BSA Troop
 - 7+ scouts in a Venturing Crew or Sea Scout Ship
- Keep in Mind
 - Your unit size may vary month to month as youth membership expires on rolling 12 month membership periods
 - Recruiting is a year-round endeavour, and this metric helps remind units of this fact

What are these metrics?

- Unit Growth
 - Option 1 - Positive year over year membership growth
 - Option 2 - Additional unit size metric
 - 50+ scouts in a Cub Scout Pack
 - 30+ scouts in a Scouts BSA Troop
 - 15+ scouts in a Venturing Crew or Sea Scout Ship
- Keep in Mind
 - In 2025, the 'year over year' comparison is your year-end mark for 2024
 - Starting in 2026, the comparison will be the same month of the prior year


What are these metrics?

- Advancements/Leadership
 - 30% of scouts in Cub Scouts Pack advanced in the last 12 months
 - 30% of scouts in Scouts BSA Troop advanced in the last 12 months
 - Venturing Crew is led by youth-elected leaders that are trained in their position
 - 20% of scouts in Sea Scout Ship advanced in the last 12 months
- Keep in Mind
 - This is a rolling 12 month window - not a set calendar year
 - Advancement is reported through either Scoutbook or Internet Advancement
 - Eagle Scout Palms do not count towards the percentage of scouts that have advanced in the last 12 months

What are these metrics?

- Outdoor/Super Activity
 - Cub Scout Pack participates in an outdoor activity in the last 12 months
 - Scouts BSA Troop participates in a long-term camp in the last 12 months
 - Venturing Crew participates in a Tier 3 event in the last 12 months
 - Sea Scout Ship participates in a Super Activity in the last 12 months
- Keep in Mind
 - Unit self-report their participation
 - In 2025, the system is not looking at your 2024 outdoor activities. In 2026, it will use the rolling 12 month calendar.

What the Unit sees



Troop 2051






Commissioner Tools

- Organization Dashboard
- Help Guide

Troop 2051 Olive Chapel Baptist Church **G**

Unit Summary Youth Retention: 86.7%

Unit Metrics ⓘ

-  Training
-  Size
-  Growth
-  Advancements / Leadership
-  Outdoor / Super Activity

District

What the Unit sees

Unit Metrics



Unit Metric	Cub Scouts Pack	Scouts BSA Troops	Sea Scouts Ships	Venturing Crews	Explorer Posts
Key Leaders Trained	Cubmaster + Committee Chair position trained	Scoutmaster + Committee Chair position trained	Skipper + Committee Chair position trained	Advisor + Committee Chair position trained	Advisor + Committee Chair position trained
Exceed Small Unit Threshold	20 or more Cubs in pack	12 or more Scouts in troop	7 or more Sea Scouts in ship	7 or more Venturers in crew	7 or more Explorers in post
Year Over Year Membership Growth	Positive YOY membership growth or pack has 50+ Cubs	Positive YOY membership growth or troop has 30+ Scouts	Positive YOY membership growth or ship has 15+ Sea Scouts	Positive YOY membership growth or crew has 15+ Venturers	Positive YOY membership growth or post has 30+ Explorers
Advancements / Youth Leadership	At least 30% Cubs have rank advancements in prior 12 months	At least 30% Scouts have rank advancements in prior 12 months	At least 20% of Sea Scouts have rank advancement in prior 12 months.	Crew led by youth officers elected by their peers and trained	Post led by youth officers elected by their peers and trained
Outdoor / Super Activity	Pack participated in outdoor activities in prior 12 months	Troop participated in long-term camp in prior 12 months	Ship participated in Super Activity in prior 12 months	Crew participated in Tier III Activity in prior 12 months	Post participated in Super Activity in prior 12 months

Metrics and the Commissioners

- The Commissioner Service is out of the business of determining unit health based on subjective observations and conversations.
- Unit Commissioners are being requested to ask targeted questions to unit leaders during unit visits based on the new Unit Health Metrics (April's focus is Unit Size).
- Commissioners will still record that a visit occurred in Commissioner Tools.
- Metrics will help the Commissioner service make recommendations to the District Committee on areas of concern or potential emphasis.

Breakout Sessions



Level-Up Ceremonies



Summer Camp Preparations



**Next Month's Roundtable:
1 May 2025**