

# April Training Newsletter

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## Training News

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### Trained for Your Position?

Congratulations to the nearly 100 units who have at least 50% of their adult leaders trained for their positions... and a few who've made it to 90% or more! If you haven't received your ribbon yet, you'll get it soon.

If you're not trained for your position yet, do yourself and your Scouts a favor and become trained! Read our "Quick Guides" at [www.mayflowerbsa.org/training](http://www.mayflowerbsa.org/training) to learn about the requirements and how to complete them.

### Upcoming In-Person Training



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

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

Apr 6\*\* Youth Protection Training (*Franklin*)  
Apr 6-7<sup>°+</sup> IOLS for Scouts BSA/Venturing (*Plymouth*)  
Apr 18\*\* Youth Protection Training (*Whitman*)  
Apr 27-28<sup>°\*</sup> BALOO for Cub Leaders (*Bolton*)  
Apr 27-28<sup>°\*</sup> Intro to Backpacking (*Framingham*)  
May 3-5/17-19<sup>°\*</sup> Climbing/COPE Training (*Milton*)  
May 4<sup>°\*\*</sup> Scoutmaster Position-Specific (*Norwood*)  
May 4<sup>°\*</sup> Den Chief Training (*Norwood*)  
May 4<sup>°\*\*</sup> District Committee Training (*Marlborough*)  
May 10-11<sup>°\*</sup> BALOO for Cub Leaders (*Wrentham*)  
May 18-19<sup>°\*</sup> Leave No Trace Trainer (*Plymouth*)  
Jun 15<sup>°\*</sup> Beyond the Basics: Advanced Outdoor Skills  
Jun 30-Jul 5<sup>°\*</sup> Nat'l Youth Ldr Training (NYLT) (*Plymouth*)  
Aug 11-16<sup>°\*</sup> Nat'l Youth Ldr Training (NYLT) (*Bolton*)

#### -----First Aid-----

Apr 6-7<sup>°\*</sup> Wilderness and Remote First Aid (*Plymouth*)  
Apr 9<sup>°\*</sup> CPR/AED (*Sudbury*)  
Apr 23<sup>°\*</sup> Red Cross First Aid (*Sudbury*)  
May 7<sup>°\*</sup> CPR/AED (*Sudbury*)  
May 21<sup>°\*</sup> Red Cross First Aid (*Sudbury*)  
June 11<sup>°\*</sup> CPR/AED (*Sudbury*)

### Boost Your Outdoor Skills

April 14 is the deadline to register for **Introduction to Backpacking** (April 27-28). This new course is ideal for adult leaders who'd like to build skills and confidence to take their Scouts backpacking.

Registration is also open for **Beyond the Basics** (June 15). Adult leaders can join us at Camp Squanto for a "choose your own adventure" with opportunities to learn advanced rope skills, orienteering, cooking, woods tools, etc., from experienced Scouters. It's a great chance to build skills beyond what we teach at BALOO and IOLS.

### Calling All Youth Leaders!

Coming this summer: a fun six-day overnight course filled with team-building activities, content sessions, and a patrol outpost. We're running National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) at Camp Squanto and Camp Resolute for youth in Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouts. Participants work together in patrols to develop skills in decision making, planning, communication, and cooperation in a model unit. These skills are key to success in any youth-led unit. To register and learn more, visit [www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/nylt-camp-squanto](http://www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/nylt-camp-squanto) and [www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/nylt-camp-resolute](http://www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/nylt-camp-resolute).

### District Committee Training

Did you know the BSA has "position-specific" training for district committee members? This training will go online soon, but for now, the best way to earn it is in person. If you missed our workshop in January, come to the next edition on May 4 in Marlborough! Registration is open.

### "Leave No Trace" Training, Explained

- **Awareness** training can run from 30 minutes to a full day. The BSA has online resources and a "Leave No Trace 101" curriculum, or a session can be customized. If you're signing off on outdoor ethics advancement, or you're an Outdoor Ethics Guide (youth position in a troop), take this level of training.
- **Trainer** training is a two-day course. Our council offers it in May and September. This training is recommended for anyone teaching Leave No Trace in a formal session.
- **Master Educator** is a five-day course. Master educators develop expertise and become qualified to teach LNT Trainer courses and more.

Visit [www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/outdoor-ethics](http://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/outdoor-ethics) or contact our council's Outdoor Ethics Advocate, Pete Lane ([pete.lane@comcast.net](mailto:pete.lane@comcast.net)), to learn more.

### Climbing and COPE Training

Are you interested in becoming a certified climbing or COPE instructor? Our neighbors at Spirit of Adventure Council are running a course for our area on two weekends in May. Age 15 and up; register by May 1.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- **Council training "Quick Guides" and online registration:** [www.mayflowerbsa.org/training](http://www.mayflowerbsa.org/training)
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EVERY SCOUT DESERVES TRAINED LEADERS!