

National Youth Leadership Training Facts

What Is NYLT? National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) has replaced Junior Leader Training Conference (JLTC) as the council-level training program for youth. It is a seven-day outdoor experience for youth leaders in support of the Scoutmaster's responsibility for training the Troop's Youth Leaders. The course is set up to represent a month in the life of a typical Scout troop. It is conducted by the Training Committee using an outline approved by the Boy Scouts of America.

Why the Change? For the past 30 years, JLTC has been the national standard for council-level youth training. In those 30 years, technology and new training techniques have evolved and changed. A national taskforce was formed to integrate these new technologies and training techniques with the existing BSA content. The new NYLT program is the result.

What Is Its Purpose? Scouting recognizes that Scoutmasters' have the responsibility of training their own Youth Leaders. The purpose of the new National Youth Leadership Training is not to assume that role, but to support it. The objectives of the conference are to:

- enhance the relationship between the participant and his Scoutmaster
- have fun
- give participants a toolbox of leadership skills and help them relate these skills to their troop responsibilities
- give participants the opportunity to share ideas and experience with Scouts from other troops
- give participants the confidence and knowledge to run the troop program
- create an atmosphere where Scouts will experience Scouting at it's best

Who May Attend? Each conference participant must be a First Class Scout, 13 years old as of January 1st the year of the conference and currently filling a leadership position in the Troop or is likely to assume one of these positions soon.

Is the Home Scoutmaster Involved?

The conference is intended to strengthen the relationship between the Youth Leader and his Scoutmaster. A post-conference session should be conducted by the Scoutmaster or an adult leader from the Troop and the Youth Leader on the application of the newly acquired skills to best serve the Troop program and develop his leadership potential.

What's the Date? The National Youth Leadership Training will be offered once this year. The course opens on August 10, 2008 and concludes on August 16, 2008. Participants are to arrive at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday and will be ready to depart around 11:00 a.m. on Saturday after the closing assembly.

What's the Location? The conference will be held at Yards Creek Scout Reservation. A map to the site is enclosed.

What's the Cost? The cost for the conference is \$220.00. This includes all food, camping equipment and the training materials. A deposit of \$100.00 per Scout should accompany the Troop's reservation with the balance of \$120.00 per Scout remitted before July 1, 2008. For those paying after July 1, 2008 an additional \$20.00 late fee will be assessed.

Is Any Special Equipment Needed?

An equipment list will be sent to each participant after the Troop's reservation is received. Scouts participating in an active Troop outdoor program should have the necessary equipment. The official Scout summer uniform with Scout baseball hat is required. Each participant should see that badges and insignia are properly placed and that the uniform is worn correctly. A Scout Handbook is required.

What Is The Refund Policy?

The first \$50.00 of any fee paid is non-refundable. Full payments are transferable to other Scouts (with a note from the parents/guardians transferring the fee) until 2 weeks before the course. The balance of the fee is refundable for the following reasons: illness requiring medical attention, summer school, or family emergency. Refund requests must be in writing, include proof (i.e., a letter from a school official or doctor), and be received at the Scout Service Center no later than 2 weeks prior to the course.

Where Can We Get More Information?

Additional information may be obtained from:

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