

Baltimore Area Council



Wood Badge

2026 Courses

Spring – June 15-19 at Camp Spencer

Sabbath Friendly

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Fall – October 9-11 & November 7-8 at Camp Spencer

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What is Wood Badge?

Wood Badge is the premier leadership training course for adults offered by the Boy Scouts of America. It is a hands-on and experiential course designed give Scouters the tools they need to better their units and the youth they work with.

Who should take Wood Badge?

You are invited to take Wood Badge if you have completed the following "basic" training:

- Youth Protection
- Position-Specific Training
- Any other training required for your registered position, such as IOLS or BALOO, if applicable

What is Wood Badge like?

The Wood Badge course is conducted at Broad Creek over five days or two weekends. You will camp out and take part in a variety of indoor and outdoor training sessions. You get to live and practice the Scouting ideals, strengthen your leadership skills, make new friends, and develop your Scouting network. For the two-weekend Course, meals will be prepared for you the first weekend and served in the Pavilion. For the second weekend, you will be given a stipend to purchase food and cook meals as a patrol in your campsite.

Why should I take Wood Badge?

Wood Badge is:

- An opportunity for you to learn and grow
- An investment in your unit
- A deeper understanding of the Scouting program
- A commitment to diverse perspectives, cultures, methods, and views
- A healthy dose of Scouting Spirit!

How do I officially complete the Wood Badge course?

You must attend all the scheduled Course days to receive credit for completing the Course. During the Course, you will write a "Ticket", where you develop goals for your registered Scouting position that you will work to achieve over the next six to eighteen months. A Ticket Counselor will be assigned to mentor you as you work on your Ticket. When you complete the goals you set in your Ticket, you will receive the Wood Badge National Recognition.

How much does it cost?

Wood Badge costs \$350 (\$300 for the Sabbath Friendly course). Partial scholarships are available for those in need—contact the course director or Steve Rose, Wood Badge Coordinator (sb.rose@verizon.net) for additional information.

More information and online registration at:
<https://baltimorescouting.org/wood-badge/>