



Welcome to the exciting world of Scouting! Thank You for volunteering to assist in the Cub Scouts or in the Boy Scouts program where “every boy deserves a trained leader.” The journey to become a trained leader begins with [Fast Start](#) and [Youth Protection](#). These two courses teach the basic fundamentals of what scouting is about and how much we care about our youths.

“Success in training the boy depends largely on the Scoutmaster’s own personal example.”
– Lord Robert Baden-Powell

Did you know that Boy Scouts of America makes it easy to learn more about all aspects of the Boy Scout program?

Did you know that the most successful scouts usually have one or two parents who took Scout Leader Training courses?


Cub Scout Leaders	Boy Scout Leaders	Advanced
Youth Protection	Youth Protection	Hazardous Weather
Fast Start	Fast Start	High Adventure Core
New Leader Essentials	New Leader Essentials	Wilderness First Aid and CPR
Cubmaster or Committee Specific Training	Scoutmaster or Committee Specific Training	Cold Weather Camping
Basic Outdoor BALOO	Outdoor Leader Skills	
Outdoor Skills		
What makes a trained leader?		

To start your journey to becoming a trained leader, we have listed the following courses to help guide you through the training process:



Training Programs for Cub Scout Parents and Adult Leaders

Link to online course	Description	Course location and schedule
<p data-bbox="235 514 646 541">YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING</p> 	<p data-bbox="680 514 993 1388">Youth Protection Training is for all adult leaders and parent volunteers in your pack. It's important that you complete Youth Protection Training so that you can help with pack activities like driving to and from events, helping with fundraisers, or helping supervise scouts during community service projects. The Guide to Safe Scouting requires that at least one leader trained in Youth Protection be present at every outing or event. Youth Protection Training is required for all leaders and leaders must retake this course every TWO years.</p>	<p data-bbox="1016 514 1284 583">Online course : http://olc.scouting.org/</p>
<p data-bbox="235 1434 646 1461">CUB SCOUT LEADER FAST START</p> 	<p data-bbox="680 1434 959 1881">For Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Cubmasters, Assistant Cubmasters, and Committee Members. Fast Start is a short, video-based training program. The video demonstrates actual meetings that new leaders may use as models for conducting</p>	<p data-bbox="1016 1434 1284 1503">Online course : http://olc.scouting.org/</p>

	<p>their own first meetings. The viewer guide includes this same information in written form, providing a "road map" for planning the first meeting.</p>	
<p>New Leader Essentials for Cub Scouts</p> 	<p>For Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Cubmasters, Assistant Cubmasters, Committee Members. This is a 1 ½ hour introduction to the entire Scouting program, Cubs, Boy Scouts, and Venture. You learn how the entire program fits together and how the emphasis and techniques change as the youth grow and mature.</p>	<p>Friday evening 7:00 – 8:30, March 20, 2009 Palmer Elementary School, Walnut Creek Pre-requisites: Youth Protection and Fast Start</p>
<p>Specific Training for Cub Scout Leaders or Committee Members</p>	<p>Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Cubmasters, Assistant Cubmasters, Committee Members. Leader Specific Training gives a leader the knowledge and skills needed for a specific position. Leader Specific Training is available for the following positions in Cub Scouting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tiger Cub leader, 2. Cub Scout den leader and assistant, 3. Webelos den leader and assistant, 4. Cubmaster and assistant, 5. Pack committee members. 	<p>Saturday, March 21st (time TBD) at Palmer Elementary School, Walnut Creek Pre-requisites: Youth Protection and Fast Start</p>







Congratulations! At this point, you've completed all required Cub Scout Training. You can now proudly wear your "Trained" patch. But don't stop here! Depending on the leadership role you are playing within your pack, there are additional training courses offered. For new Pack and Den leaders, we recommend the following:

Basic Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)	For Cub Scout Leaders and Assistant Leaders. This training event introduces leaders and parents to the skills needed to plan and conduct pack outdoor activities, particularly pack camping. Each pack needs at least one Baloo trained leader to go on overnight outdoor trips. In addition, at least one Baloo trained leader is now required for all Tour Permits.	TBD
Outdoor Skills for Webelos Leaders	Webelos Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Cubmasters, Assistant Cubmasters. This course teaches outdoor-related skills through demonstration and hands-on practice. Webelos den leaders should attend this training before conducting Webelos overnight camping with the boys and parents of the den. In addition to covering basic camping skills, this training features planning campouts and finding resources.	TBD Pre-requisites: none, BALOO is encouraged



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	<p>Youth Protection Training is for all adult leaders and parent volunteers in your troop. It's important that you complete Youth Protection Training so that you can help with troop activities like driving to and from events, helping with fundraisers, or helping supervise scouts during community service projects. The Guide to Safe Scouting requires that at least one leader trained in Youth Protection be present at every outing or event. Youth Protection Training is required for all leaders and leaders must retake this course every TWO years.</p>	<p>Online course : http://olc.scouting.org/</p>

<p>BOY SCOUT LEADER FAST START</p> 	<p>All adult volunteers and leaders in the troop Fast Start is a short, video-based training program. The video demonstrates actual meetings that new leaders may use as models for conducting their own first meetings.</p>	<p>Online course : http://olc.scouting.org/</p>
<p>New Leader Essentials for Boy Scouts</p> 	<p>All adult volunteers and leaders in the troop. This is a 1 ½ hour introduction to the entire Scouting program, Cubs, Boy Scouts, and Venture. You learn how the entire program fits together and how the emphasis and techniques change as the youth grow and mature.</p>	<p>Friday, March 20, 2009 (7:00-8:30) at Palmer School, 2740 Jones Road, Walnut Creek January 10, 2009 (6:45 – 9:00 p.m.), or February 12, 2009 (6:45 – 9:00 p.m.) at Alameda County Sheriff’s Training Center – contact John Bellamy 925.462.3769 or Johnbellamy@comcast.net Pre-requisites: Youth Protection and Fast Start</p>
<p>Specific Training for Boy Scout Leaders or Committee Members</p> 	<p>For Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters, this training provides the specialized knowledge a new leader needs to assume a leadership role. For Troop Committee Members, this training provides the specialized knowledge a new troop committee member needs to assume their specific leadership role.</p>	<p>Saturday, March 21, 2009 (time TBD) at Palmer School, 2740 Jones Road, Walnut Creek January 17, 2009 (7:30 am to 5:00 pm), or February 21, 2009 (7:30 am to 5:00 pm) at Alameda County Sheriff’s Training Center – contact John Bellamy 925.462.3769 or Johnbellamy@comcast.net Pre-requisites: Youth Protection and Fast Start</p>

Introduction to Outdoor Leaders Skills



Open to all adult volunteers and leaders. Required for all Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. A fun course designed to help scout leaders learn the basic skills required to advance from Tenderfoot to First Class Scout.

- From Saturday May 2 at 7:30 am. to Sunday, May 3 at 4:30 p.m. at Camp Herms – El Cerrito. Contact Bill Phelon 925.254.8338 or rphelon@juno.com.
- Also offered: at Alameda County Sheriff's Training Center March 4, 2009 6:30 to 10:00 pm (orientation) and March 13-15 (course) at Rancho Los Mochos. Contact John Bellamy 925.462.3769 or Johnbellamy@comcast.net




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Advanced Training Programs for Scout Parents and Adult Leaders

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<p style="text-align: center;">HAZARDOUS WEATHER</p> 	<p>Open to all adult leaders and parent volunteers in your units. It's the goal of BSA that all scouting activities are safe for scouts and adults. This course teaches you how to plan and run a safe outing when hazardous weather conditions may be encountered. Beginning 2009, this course is required for tour permits.</p>	<p>Online course : http://olc.scouting.org/</p>
<p>High Adventure Core</p>	<p>For all registered Scouting adults. Topics include: planning and leadership, basic equipment and first aid, wilderness navigation, food, wilderness safety, and leave no trace. You will receive a HAT number upon course completion.</p>	<p>January 9-10, 2009 at Camp Herms. Cost \$65. Pre-requisite PST-SM/ASM and OLS. Contact Sig Shapiro 925.330.0226.</p>
<p>Wilderness First Aid</p>	<p>Open to all registered scouts and scouters. Youth must be at least 15 years old, have First Class skills and be accompanied by an adult. This is a practical 16 hour course that prepares you to recognize and avoid wilderness hazards and do first aid with whatever equipment you have or can improvise. Wilderness First Aid Certification by the American Safety and Health Institute is valid for 3 years.</p>	<p>November 8 and 9, 2008 at the Council Office in Pleasant Hill. Cost \$125.00 or \$145.00 with certification. Contact Keith Gale 925.672.3592 or keith_gale@hotmail.com</p>

CPR	Open to all registered scouts and scouters. Youth must be at least 15 years old, have First Class skills and be accompanied by an adult.	November 7, 2008 at the Council Office in Pleasant Hill. Cost \$125.00 or \$145.00 with certification. Contact Keith Gale 925.672.3592 or keith_gale@hotmail.com
Cold Weather Camping Awareness OKPIK	Planning and leadership, equipment, cold weather first aid, wilderness safety, backcountry living, and where to trek as they relate to cold weather awareness	Orientation February 11, 2009 at the Council Office in Pleasant Hill. Course February 28 – March 1, 2009 at Sugar Pine Point. Cost \$85.00. Contact Keith Gale 925.672.3592 or keith_gale@hotmail.com

What Makes a Trained Leader?

- **Cub Scout leaders** are considered trained when they have completed Fast Start, Youth Protection, New Leader Essentials and the Cub Scout Leader Specific training for their position.
- **Scoutmasters and assistant Scoutmasters** are considered trained when they have completed Fast Start, New Leader Essentials, Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training, and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills. Youth Protection is also encouraged.
- **Troop committee members** are considered trained when they have completed New Leader Essentials and the Troop Committee Challenge as their Leader Specific training. Youth Protection is also encouraged.
- **Varsity Scout leaders and assistants** are considered trained when they have completed New Leader Essentials, Varsity Scout Leader Specific Training, and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills. Youth Protection is also encouraged.
- **Venturing crew Advisors, assistant Advisors, and crew committee members** are considered trained when they have completed New Leader Essentials and Venturing Leader Specific Training. Youth Protection is also encouraged.