

Recognition

Although Wood Badge is a training course, not a recognition program, completion of Wood Badge does serve to recognize leadership. Recognition for the successful completion of Wood Badge consists of a parchment certificate, a distinctive Wood Badge neckerchief with a woggle and the Wood Badge (two wooden beads worn on a thong around the neck). The *Wood Badge* is recognized worldwide as a symbol of practical training and leadership experience. There are two parts to Wood Badge in the Boy Scouts of America, the practical course and the application period.

THE PRACTICAL COURSE

This is a Thursday through Saturday outdoor experience where you will live Scouting. Those participating are exposed to the application of leadership and Scouting skills as they are applied in the development of Scouts and Scouters. Through living in a Scouting atmosphere for this period of time, you develop a Scouting spirit and zeal for the program that motivates you to do a better job in the Scouting task you have accepted.

THE APPLICATION PERIOD

A maximum of eighteen (18) months is allowed between the practical experience and final certification. During this period the Scouters apply what they have learned and are evaluated on their performance. Throughout the period of application, each person is assigned a ticket counselor who acts as a resource evaluator, and a Scouting friend.



Uniform Standard

The Wood Badge course is a uniformed activity. Your uniform will be the official Field Uniform (Class "A") for your registered Scouting position and include shirt, pants (shorts), belt and socks. A course cap will be provided. More information regarding uniform and equipment needs will be reviewed at the pre-course meeting.

PHYSICAL/Medical FORMS

Wood Badge is not a survival course, but you will be outdoors and engaging in lots of activity and exercise. For this reason and because it is a BSA Event, prior to the first day of Wood Badge, you must have had a Doctor conducted physical and have completed the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record.

Tax Deductions

Participants are authorized to include in their federal income tax deductions the costs of uniforms, transportation and the course fee. Meal costs away from home overnight are also deductible.

THE WOOD BADGE FEE

Some dedicated Scouters find the financial obligation of Scout related training a true burden. If this is your situation, financial support may be available from your unit, Charter Partner or even your employer. Do not let finances keep you from attending and if you have exhausted all other options, please contact the Course Director of this Wood Badge experience.



WOOD BADGE

C1-173-12

"Sunday Friendly"

2012 APPLICATION

What is Wood Badge Training?

Wood Badge was originally presented by Lord Baden-Powell as a means of strengthening and preserving the Scouting movement throughout the world. Since its inauguration in the United States in 1948, thousands of Scouters have attended Wood Badge and have considered it a mountaintop experience in their Scouting careers.



Today, Wood Badge courses provide advanced leadership development. The objective of Wood Badge is to demonstrate in a practical way the "aims and methods" of Scouting and to develop Scout spirit through a program of learning sessions and activities. During the course, you will live Scouting and be exposed to the application of leadership and Scouting skills as they are applied in the development of leaders and youth.

SCOUT LEADER WOOD BADGE

Leadership skills

- *Living the Values*
 - Values, Mission and Vision
 - Aims and Methods
- *Bringing the Vision to Life*
 - Listening to Learn
 - Communicating
 - Giving and Receiving Feedback
 - Valuing People and Leveraging Diversity
 - Coaching and Mentoring
- *Models for Success*
 - Team Development Model
 - Situational Leadership
- *Tools of the Trade*
 - Problem Solving and Decision Making
 - Managing conflict
 - Assessing Team Performance
 - Managing Conflict
 - Leading Change
 - Celebrating Team Success
- *Leading to Make a Difference*
 - Leaving a Legacy
 - Learning the Greatest Leadership Secret

Who May Attend

You are encouraged to attend Wood Badge if you are a registered and active Scout leader at least 18 years of age. You must also have completed the Scout Leader basic training courses: *New Leader Essentials and Position Specific Training* for your Scouting position in Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Venturing or Varsity Scouting by March 11, 2012.

Hosted by:

WINNEBAGO COUNCIL

Boy Scouts of America

For more information, call 319-234-2867

Dates & Location

Course Dates

Pre-Course Gathering: March 2012 – Date and location to be determined. (*This is an informational gathering: Attendance is highly recommended, but not required*).

Course Session #1

Thursday – Saturday, April 12-14, 2012

Course Session #2

Thursday – Saturday, April 26-28, 2012

You must attend both Sessions #1 & #2 to complete the course and be certified.

Course Location:

Howard Cherry Scout Reservation - Boy Scout Camp Wakonda, Central City, Iowa

Registration

Register Early and Save:

The total Early-Bird Course registration fee, if registered by Dec. 5, 2011, is \$199/person with the full amount due when registering. If registered between Dec. 6, 2011 and Feb. 2 2012 the registration fee is \$219/person with the full amount due when registering. The registration fee for registrations received after Feb. 2 2012 will be \$239/person. If you are unable to attend, you must notify the Council Service Center at least 30 days before the first day of the course to be eligible for a refund. The total fees paid are transferable to other Scouters.

To register, complete the registration form and submit it to the Winnebago Council Office with the fee as specified above to reserve your space in the course. **Enrollment is limited** to the first 48 people paid, so register now!

Our Hope

It is our sincere hope you will make arrangements to attend Wood Badge training. You will develop leadership, acquire new skills and make memories that will last a lifetime. If you have any questions, please contact:

Paul Empie, Course Director

@ 319-230-2100

Scout Leader Wood Badge Application

Mail application and check to:

Winnebago Council, BSA
2929 Airport Blvd
Waterloo, IA 50703

I accept this invitation to attend **C1-173-12** Wood Badge Course to be held on: **April 12-14 and April 26-28, 2012** at the Howard Cherry Scout Reservation, Central City, Iowa.

I understand that attendance at all sessions is required for certification. I have or will have, completed the Basic Leader Training appropriate for my registered Scouting position.

SIGNATURE _____
(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE THE FOLLOWING)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____

Business Phone (_____) _____

Occupation _____

E-mail _____

District _____

Council _____

Unit No _____ Date of Birth _____

Scouting Position _____

Basic Training Completed; Type _____

Date _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

Recruited By: _____

Event Code #037 Amt of Payment \$ _____