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Troop 58
Davidson, North Carolina

New Merit Badge Counselor
Registration and Training

May 2021

Welcome to Troop 58!

We are thrilled to have you on board with Troop 58. As part of your new position within the troop an adult application as well as required training needs to be completed. This document details the requirements as well as how to access and complete them. Reach out to the Troop Committee Chair, Merit Badge Coordinator, or Training Chair with any questions you may have.

It is recommended to complete the below requirements in chronological order and use the below summary as a checklist.

Requirement One: Youth Protection Training (YPT)

Method: Online
Frequency: Every 24 Months
Instructions: Pages 4 - 5
Details: It is the mission of Youth Protection volunteers and professionals to work within the Boy Scouts of America to maintain a culture of Youth Protection awareness and safety. A certificate of completion will be generated upon completion of the course. *This certificate needs to be submitted along with the Adult Application.*

Requirement Two: Adult Application

Method: Paper Application
Frequency: Once
Instructions: Fillable PDF <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501.pdf>
Details: Print and Return completed application, *along with YPT certificate of completion*, to Merit Badge Coordinator.

Requirement Three: Merit Badge Counselor Application

Method: Paper Application
Frequency: Initial sign up as counselor and with any/each change.
Instructions: Access the form on the Merit Badge Page of the troop website (<https://www.gt58davidson.com/meritbadges>) or navigate: Home -> Program -> Merit Badges).
Details: Print and Return completed application, *along with YPT certificate of completion*, to Merit Badge Coordinator.

Requirement Four: BSA Health Form

Method: Paper Form
Frequency: Every 12 Months

Instructions: If not already provided one, the form can be accessed via the below link or Google BSA Health Form.
https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf

Details: Parts A and B are required for all participants. Part C is required if you will participate in an activity lasting longer than 72 hours (like summer camp). Note that Part C must be completed by a certified and licensed physician (MD, DO), nurse practitioner, or physician assistant. Return completed form to the Troop Health Form Coordinator.

Requirement Five: Troop 58 Adult Code of Conduct

Method: Paper Form

Frequency: Once

Instructions: The form is on Page 6 of this document. Print the form and return completed and signed to Troop Committee Chair.

Details: This demonstrates the commitment from each adult leader to serve as a positive role model and to live up to the Scout Oath, Law, Motto and Slogan.

Requirement Six: Merit Badge Counselor Training

Method: Online

Frequency: Once

Instructions: Pages 7 - 9

Details: Position specific training designed for Merit Badge Counselors. This course serves as an orientation to the position.

How to Complete Youth Protection Training (YPT)

- Visit my.scouting.org and sign in to your account
 - Recommended browsers are Google Chrome for PC or Safari for Mac
 - “Forgot Username” and “Forgot Password” links available if needed
- On the opening page, select the Youth Protection logo

Empowering you to deliver the Scouting program.

Training Updates

National 11/30/2018

Position-specific training courses for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts (Scouts BSA) are being updated and will be available January 2, 2019. Any progress on current training materials will not carry over to the new learning plan so plan to complete any in-progress training before December 31, 2018.

Recent Updates

National 09/14/2018

1. Youth Protection
 - a. Expiration dates have been changed to 9/30 for all course completions on previous YPT training material. (Y01 taken prior to 2/1/18, Y02, Y03)
 - b. Similar changes are in process for the mobile app.
 - c. Email notifications are planned to those affected by the 9/30 expiration date.
2. My Dashboard & Training Manager
 - a. New course certificates are available

- A new window will open. Review the Opening video then scroll down and select “Add Plan”

Youth Protection - Yo1

1 PLANS 0 ASSIGNED 0 INCOMPLETE 0 PAST DUE 0 DUE SOON 0 COMPLETE

⌵ DUE DATE (RECENT TO OLD) ⌵ FILTERS (#)

Youth Protection ☒

Training - MANDATORY




TYPE Standar...







DUE D... N/A



COMP N/A

+ Add Plan

- Select “Youth Protection Training” to open the course

 **Youth Protection - Yo1**  

 **1** PLANS
  **1** ASSIGNED
  **1** INCOMPLETE
  **0** PAST DUE
  **0** DUE SOON
  **0** COMPLETE

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Youth Protection Training - MANDATORY

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- Select “Launch Course” to open each module. All four need to be completed for full credit of Youth Protection Training

Youth Protection - Yo1 > Youth Protection Training - MANDATORY

1	Overview and Policies	DUE DATE N/A	STATUS Not Attempted	OPTIONAL No	TYPE Course	LAUNCH COURSE
2	Sexual Abuse	DUE DATE N/A	STATUS Not Attempted	OPTIONAL No	TYPE Course	LAUNCH COURSE
3	Bullying	DUE DATE N/A	STATUS Not Attempted	OPTIONAL No	TYPE Course	LAUNCH COURSE
4	YPT Certification Test	DUE DATE N/A	STATUS Not Attempted	OPTIONAL No	TYPE Course	LAUNCH COURSE

Troop 58 Adult Code of Conduct

All adults participating in Troop 58 activities serve as role models and leadership examples for our Scouts. Therefore, all of us are as accountable as our Scouts are for living up to the Scout Oath, Law, Motto and Slogan. We must also follow Scout adult leadership best practices. The following Adult Code of Conduct is our commitment by each adult leader and by each parent/guardian who will serve as an adult chaperone during the course of the program year. Any situation that is not explicitly covered by the code will be decided by the Troop Committee.

Initial Each Statement

1. _____ Adults registered as a **Scout Leader** must complete **BSA Youth Protection Training**, level specific training, and will be familiar with the principles of the Guide to Safe Scouting (<http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss>).
2. _____ Non-uniformed adults serving as **Chaperones** during Scout activities **must be familiar with** the principles of **BSA Youth Protection** (<http://www.scouting.org/Training/Youth-Protection>). Additionally, the Guide to Safe Scouting is available to any Troop Member as a reference guide.
3. _____ **All Adults will follow the BSA policy of 2-Deep Leadership.** At no time will one adult be alone with one youth, other than their own child. **Adults will not share bathroom facilities with Scouts.** Separate usage times must be coordinated when dedicated facilities are not available.
4. _____ **Drivers will not operate or hold mobile phones for talk, text, or navigation** while driving during Scouting Activities. When necessary, a passenger can assist with navigation or with holding mobile devices for navigation.
5. _____ **Adults will abide by the law** and will not purchase, possess or consume **illegal drugs**. Adults will not possess or consume **alcoholic beverages** at Scout events. **Adults will not use tobacco products** in the presence of Scouts.
6. _____ **Adults will set the standard for use of clean and kind language.** Profanity, put-downs, sexual-related comments, and verbal taunting will not be tolerated.
7. _____ **Adults will behave in a safe manner.** Unsafe behaviors will not be tolerated and include improper use of knives or axes, improper use of sharp sticks, rope or other equipment, and playing with fire.
8. _____ Adults will abide by the underlying principle of **never doing anything for a Scout that they can do themselves.**
We allow Scouts to grow by practicing leadership and by learning from their mistakes. And while Scout skills are an important part of the program, what ultimately matters when our Scouts become adults is not whether they can use a map & compass, but whether they can offer leadership to others in tough situations; and can live by a code that centers on honest, honorable, and ethical behavior.
9. _____ The Troop Committee will review any incident as requested by a scout, a parent/guardian or adult scout staff member or chaperone.

My signature below indicates that I agree to follow the Troop 58 Adult Code of Conduct.

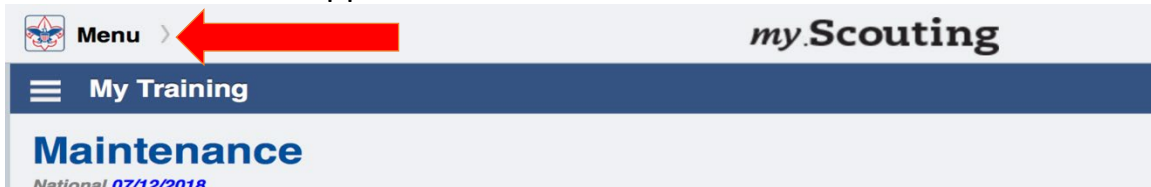
Signature

Print Name

Date

Online Course Instructions: Merit Badge Counselor Training

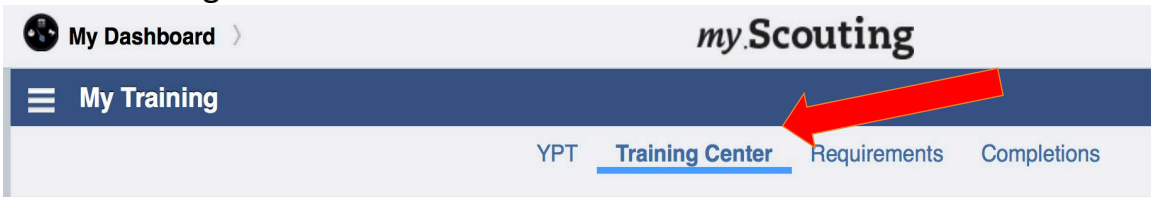
- Visit my.scouting.org and sign in to your account
 - Recommended browsers are Google Chrome for PC or Safari for Mac
 - “Forgot Username” and “Forgot Password” links available if needed
- Select “Menu” in the upper left corner



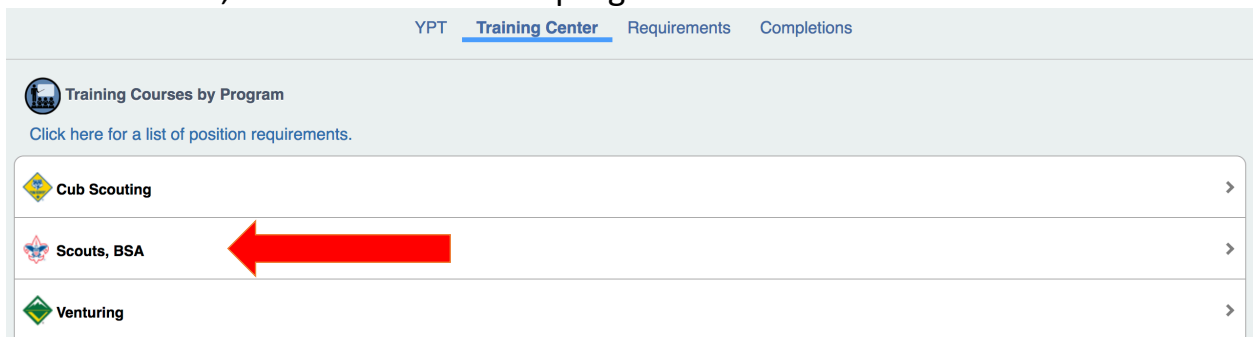
- Select “My Dashboard” in the drop down



- Select “Training Center”



- Select “Scouts, BSA” from the list of programs



- New Window will open...scroll down and under “Merit Badge Counselor Training”, select “Add Plan”

Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselor Training

Position Specific Training designed for the Merit Badge Counselor.

TYPE Standard Learning Plan

+ Add Plan

- Select “Merit Badge Counselor Training”

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- Select each individual course. There are two: “Before the First Meeting”; “Position Trained”

Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselor Training

2

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ATTACHMENTS

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Scouts BSA - Select a Training Program > Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselor Training

1	Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselors - Before the First Meeting Merit Badge Counselor Position Specific Training - Step 1 Learning plan for individuals in the Merit Badge Counselor role to be completed before the first meeting with youth.
	STATUS Incomplete TYPE Learning Plan
2	Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselors - Position Trained Merit Badge Counselor Position Specific Training - Step 2 Learning plan for individuals in the Merit Badge Counselor role to be position trained
	STATUS Incomplete TYPE Learning Plan

- Within each of the two courses, select “Launch Course” to complete each listed module. Each course has multiple individual modules - all need to be completed for full credit.

Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselors - Before the F... [more](#)

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Scouts BSA - Select a Training Program > Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselor Training > Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselors - Before the F...

1

Aims and Methods of Scouts BSA

Using well-defined and established aims and methods, the Scouting BSA program develops future leaders. This module is designed to teach you about the Aims of Scouting and define the Methods used to accomplish them.

DUE DATE

N/A

STATUS

Not Attempted

OPTIONAL

No

TYPE

Course

2

Ideals and Beliefs of Scouts BSA

TThe Scout spirit is an attitude that Scouts around the world should show, based on adherence to the Scout Law and Scout Oath which make up the ideals of Scouting. This module is designed to help you identify and explain each of the ideals of Scouting.

DUE DATE

N/A

STATUS

Not Attempted

OPTIONAL

No

TYPE

Course

3

What is a Merit Badge Counselor for Scouts BSA

Scouts wishing to earn a merit badge do so with the guidance and approval of a merit badge counselor. This module will define the role of the merit badge counselor describe how merit badge counselors work with Scouts wishing to earn a merit badge do so with the guidance and approval of a merit badge counselor. This... [more](#)

DUE DATE

N/A

STATUS

Not Attempted

OPTIONAL

No

TYPE

Course

4

Introduction to Merit Badges for Scouts BSA

Merit badges are awards earned by youth members of the Boy Scouts of America, based on completing a list of periodically updated requirements within an area of study. Merit badges exist to encourage Scouts to explore areas that interest them and to teach them valuable skills. This module describes how to earn a merit... [more](#)

DUE DATE

N/A

STATUS

Not Attempted

OPTIONAL

No

TYPE

Course

5

Merit Badge Counselor Sign Up for Scouts BSA

Meeting people ranging from business and community leaders to trained specialists and enthusiastic hobbyists can provide a Scout with the opportunity for personal growth and a positive, life-altering experience while in pursuit of a merit badge. The path to becoming a merit badge counselor does require you to meet some... [more](#)

DUE DATE

N/A

STATUS

Not Attempted

OPTIONAL

No

TYPE

Course