

BALOO

BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION

Save The Date! November 7-8, 2026

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) is the Cub Scout Leader training required for any Cub Scout den or pack outdoor event, including pack camping, overnighter and Webelos den overnighters. It is comprised of two components – an **online component** and a **practical hands-on component**. Both components must be completed to become BALOO-trained.

For the 35-minute online component, log into https://my.scouting.org/ and click on the Learn Center. BALOO is at the bottom under "Expanded Learning." You *must* complete this before the weekend course.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? BALOO participants are generally Cub Scout leaders, but sometimes they're parents who may not already be part of a pack leadership team. This position is similar to the person in charge of the Pinewood Derby, the Blue & Gold dinner, or other special pack activity. S/he may or may not have already completed *Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training*.

When: Saturday, November 7 at 8 AM to Sunday, November 8 at 11 AM

Where: Camp Verdugo Oaks, Castaic, CA

Cost: $50 for lunch, dinner and breakfast, facility fees, and handout materials

REGISTRATION. To register, go to https://mycouncil.vhscouting.org/Event/BALOOTraining. We must buy provisions, so we ask you to sign up early; the deadline is 11:59 PM Wednesday, Nov. 4. Sign up early to make sure you have a seat! And **bring a friend** – your job will be easier if you have some help right from the start.

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WHAT SHOULD YOU BRING? See the equipment list on the back of this flyer. All participants are required to bring Scouting America **Annual Health and Medical Record.** Please fill out Part A, B1 and B2 beforehand. (You can download a fillable copy of this medical form here.)

Lunch, dinner, breakfast, and snacks will be provided. There may be black flies, so bring *and use* bug spray. It may be chilly at night and warm during the day, so bring clothing in layers. You will be camping out Saturday night and taking a couple of short, easy hikes.

FOR ANY QUESTIONS about the course content, special dietary needs, physical restrictions, time constraints, and other non-registration questions, please contact Course Director Pierre Landry (323-717-6013 cell; Pierre.Landry@vhcbsa.org).

WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU TO THE BALOO COURSE

EQUIPMENT

- ☐ Tent and Ground Cloth
- ☐ Sleeping Bag
- ☐ Insulated Sleeping Pad
- ☐ Water Bottle
- ☐ Flashlight
- ☐ Matches
- ☐ Pocket Knife
- ☐ Daypack

CLOTHING

- ☐ Scout Leader Uniform
- ☐ Change of Clothing
- ☐ Warm Jacket
- ☐ Sweater or Light Jacket
- ☐ Sun Hat
- ☐ Rain Gear (you never know…)

DOCUMENTS

- ☐ Annual Health and Medical Record, Part A, B1 & B2
- ☐ Any COVID form required at course time

EATING GEAR

- ☐ Plate
- ☐ Bowl
- ☐ Cup
- ☐ Knife, Fork & Spoon

FIRST AID

- ☐ Personal First Aid Kit
- ☐ Insect Repellent
- ☐ Sun Block

PERSONAL HYGIENE

- ☐ Towel
- ☐ Toothbrush & toothpaste
- ☐ Wash cloth
- ☐ Soap

OPTIONAL ITEMS

- ☐ Pillow
- ☐ Medications
- ☐ Gloves or Mittens
- ☐ Knit cap



