Wood Badge is a six day course, offered in two sessions of three days. As a participant you begin your Wood Badge experience with other leaders as Cub Scouts, then bridge into Boy Scouting and form patrols for the remainder of the program. The troop model provides you with opportunities for small and large group experiences.

There will be a brief orientation meeting in the evening of August 28, to provide you with information about your Wood Badge experience. Course dates are Fri. - Sun., Sept. 20-22, and Sat. - Mon., Oct. 26-28. Register from the PTAC Wood Badge page: http://pathwaytoadventure.com/training/schedule/woodbadge

Scholarships Available

For course fees, deadlines, scholarship application and to register visit
http://pathwaytoadventure.com/training/schedule/woodbadge

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PURPOSE OF WOOD BADGE

The purpose of Wood Badge is to develop skilled leaders who can strengthen Scouting units in achieving the mission of the Boy Scouts of America.

We accomplish Scouting’s mission in the units. Therefore:

The purpose of Wood Badge is to strengthen units.

Although the course is different today, what Baden-Powell said in 1919 still applies:

“One of the purposes of Wood Badge training is to get Scouters to think about the practice of Scouting, to meet together, to exchange experiences, and to live together in the spirit of the Scout Oath.”

Pre-course Orientation
August 28, 2019
Location TBA
Course Dates
September 20-22, 2019
& October 26-28, 2019
Camp Frank S. Betz
Berrien Springs, MI
C7-456-19
MODELS FOR SUCCESS
The job of any leader is to move their group toward becoming the best it can be. The lessons of Wood Badge will help you take your group through the stages of developing into a high performing team that makes your vision a reality.

LEADING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
Most people understand that leading is more than being the boss, it’s coaching, motivating and inspiring others. But to what end? Do You Want to Make a Difference in Your Unit? The lessons of Wood Badge are designed to help you identify appropriate leadership styles to make a difference in the success of your scout units.

TOOLS OF THE TRADE
Facing the challenges of running any organization - Scout units included - requires leaders to have the skills to face the inevitable conflicts that arise. From planning a unit project to solving problems and dealing with change, successful unit leaders know how to get the right pieces in place to make good things happen.

LIVING THE VALUES
Effective leaders are those who create and share a compelling vision. This vision inspires others to contribute and make that vision a reality.

WHY WOOD BADGE?
You want to participate in a Wood Badge course because of the leadership skills you will learn and practice. Here are some of the benefits:

Stronger units. You will make your sons’ and daughters’ unit stronger.

What and why of Scouting. A deeper understanding of what Scouting is and why we do it.

Experience. Learn and experience things that will stay with you in Scouting and the rest of your life.

Fun. You will have fun and you will meet interesting people.

Outside Scouting. Strengthen your life outside Scouting, like work, church, even family.

The Wood Badge Course brings together leaders from all areas of Scouting – Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Venturing – and BSA professional staff. The course draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles, and successful outdoor leadership organizations throughout the country. It draws from a wide range of sources within and beyond the bounds of Scouting to present the latest in leadership theory and team development.

BRINGING THE VISION TO LIFE
In Wood Badge you’ll learn more about communicating and the challenges that come when trying to share information across diverse audiences. You’ll also learn that successfully navigating these challenges can lead to even greater success.

COURSE FEES
Course fee is $275 if fully paid by July 21, $300 if paid after July 21. Minimum deposit of $125 upon registration, balance due by August 20. Scholarships are available, see PTAC website.