



Participant Guide

IAC Pisachi University & Trade School

Saturday, March 25, 2023

“Most of Scouting is the Outing”

LSU Coates & Allen Halls
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

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Focus of Pisachi University & Trade School

On behalf of the Istrouma Area Council and the Council Training Committee, we welcome you to Pisachi University and Trade School. The purpose of Pisachi is to help encourage our adult leaders to learn scout skills in such a way they can teach it to the youth in their unit and to other adults. This is not a just a classroom experience, some of the courses will be taught outdoors, much in the same way we want our Scouts to learn on their Scouting journey. Pisachi is about adults teaching other adults how to teach Scouts.

Course Date & Time

Saturday, March 25, 2023; 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Pisachi Schedule is shown on page #5.

Location

LSU Allen & Coates Halls, Baton Rouge, LA

Directions:

Google Maps Link: [Click Here](#)

Registration

Registration and payments may be made on the council web page <https://www.iacbsa.org/PisachiTradeSchool23>. Please use this document to review the courses.

Cost

Registration fees are \$18.00 per person for participants and for staff \$7, lunch included. Some of the classes have additional fees. They are noted both in this guide and on the registration site.

Class Selection and Prerequisites

Minimum age 18 years; current registered adult with the BSA for all sessions. *Note: all courses are for the adults, please do not bring your youth to this event.*

There are four (4) class periods of 1 hour and 45 minutes each, with a 15-minute break between periods to allow for travel between classes. Descriptions of classes and required materials are listed for each class. Note a few classes may have additional costs. Instructor information will be provided prior to arriving on site. If you have class specific questions, please contact the instructor or the Event Director/Council Training Chair.

A Scout is Prepared! Please pay attention to the materials needed for your course and bring with you. On Tuesday, March 21 or Wednesday, March 22, we will send out a reminder of the materials needed for your

class. You are responsible for bringing these items to class. This is different from previous adult training where materials are provided upon arrival.

Meals / Snacks

Please bring your own snacks if needed.

- a. Lunch will be provided – Sandwich, chips and water.
- b. Bring your own container for drinks and water.
- c. For group meals taught in some of the classes, one or two people will cook and serve all meals while wearing gloves and mask.

Uniforms and What to Bring / Supplies

- Activity Uniform ("Class B") will be worn for the entire event. Do not wear your Field Uniform ("Class A").
- Please do not wear open toed shoes and no sandals/crocs. Tennis shoes or boots are best when participating in Scouting activities.
- Pay attention to the weather and bring the appropriate gear.
- Bring a reusable water bottle to stay hydrated.
- Some classes may require you to bring extra items (i.e. compass, knife, etc.), so consult the class specific descriptions and/or email(s) sent to you prior to Pisachi.
- Bring a copy of your BSA medical form, Parts A and B.
- Seating will be available when instruction is inside in a classroom. For sessions outdoors, you may want to bring your own camp chair.

Hazardous Weather Safety

While it is true "there is no bad weather in Scouts, only bad clothing choices", some weather conditions do pose a threat to safety. Be cognizant of the weather and bring appropriate clothing.

Parking

Saturday:

- There are multiple locations to park on campus.
- MEDICAL Emergencies: Call 911 then contact Christina Nelson 985.807.4535.

Pisachi Schedule

| Saturday | March 25, 2023 |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 7:30 am – 8:15 am | Registration |
| 8:15 am | Flag ceremony |
| 8:30 – 10:15 am | Class period 1 |
| 10:30 am – 12:15 pm | Class period 2 |
| 12:30 – 1:30 pm | Lunch |
| 1:30 – 2:45 pm | Class period 3 |
| 3:00 - 4:30 pm | Class period 4 |
| 4:45 pm | Closing flag ceremony |
| 5:00 pm | Dismiss |

Pisachi Classes

| Class | Location of Session | Class Period | | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| A-Hiking We Will Go | Inside | Pack | | | |
| American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) Renewal Course | Inside | All | | | |
| Aquatics in our Programs | Inside | | | | All |
| Basic Knots | Inside | All | | All | |
| Basic Map and Compass | Inside & Outside | Pack | | | |
| Basic Webelos/AOL Skills | Inside | | | Pack | |
| BSA Unit Commissioner Service*** | Inside | | | All | |
| Camping Adventures | Inside | | | | Pack |
| Campsite Cooking | Outside | | All | | |
| Conducting an Annual Planning Meeting | Inside | | All | | |
| Cooking on the Trail | Outside | | | | Troop |
| Cub Scout Position Specific*** | Inside | Pack | | | |
| Derbies Galore | Inside | | Pack | | |
| Dutch Oven Cooking | Outside | All | | | |
| Eagle Boards of Review and Eagle Ceremonies | Inside | | Troop | | |
| ECSI CPR / AED Course | Inside | | All | All | |
| Games with a Purpose | Outside | | | | Troop |
| Geocaching | Inside & Outside | | | All | |
| How Can We Help? <i>An open discussion about your BSA Troop.</i> | Inside | Troop | Troop | Troop | Troop |
| How to Teach the Whittling Chip | Inside & Outside | | Pack | | |
| International Scouting | Inside | Troop | | | |
| Introduction to Backpacking | Outside | | Troop | | |
| Leading Lions | Inside | | | | Pack |
| Life to Eagle | Inside | Troop | | Troop | |
| Marketing & Simple Social Media for Your Scout Unit | Inside | | All | | |
| Merit Badge Counseling*** (Official BSA Training D76) | Inside | Troop | | | |
| Orienteering | Outside | | | | Troop |
| Pioneering | Outside | | | Troop | |
| Planning BSA Trips | Inside | | | Troop | |
| The Scout Law for Cub Scouts | Inside | | | Pack | |
| Unit Communications | Inside | | | All | |

*** Official BSA training, also available through online training.

Pisachi Questions

If you have any specific questions, please contact one of the following (please only call after 6:00 PM):

Christina Nelson
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Stephen Davidson
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Class Listings

[A-Hiking We Will Go](#)

- Cub Scout Hikes and Hiking Youth come to Scouting for many reasons; one of which includes experiencing the great outdoors. Join us for a discussion of how to include hiking as an integral part of your Cub Scouting experience, starting from Lion/Tigers, and building skills and increasing challenges appropriate for each den level. Experiences and examples of IAC area hikes will be shared and discussed, and how packs can work to include Scout education and Adventure requirements in each hike. We will also review a hiking stick incentive program designed to drive participation and increase interest in hiking at the pack level.

[American Heart Association Basic Life Support \(BLS\) Renewal Course](#)

- This is an abbreviated course designed for current BLS providers with valid certification cards.
- All students must email proof of their AHA BLS Card to Stephen Davidson at stephen@cprbros.com.
- Maximum Participants: 18
- **\$65 additional fee per participant.**

[Aquatics in our Programs](#)

- Learn about the do's and don'ts about which aquatics programming can be brought into your events.

[Basic Knots](#)

- For those who know very little, or nothing about knots.
- You will learn the knots required for Cub Scouts and through the rank of 1st Class in Scouts BSA.

[Basic Map and Compass](#)

- Learn how to read a map and use a compass and teach those skills to Scouts (Cub and Scouts BSA)
- We will do several map and compass exercises and you will learn how to set up two basic compass courses.
- Participants should bring a compass, pencil, and paper

[Basic Webelos and Arrow of Light \(AOL\) Skills](#)

- Learn the skills that Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts need to know.
- This will be hands on, you will learn these skills and understand the struggles some youth experience when learning them so you will be better prepared to help them.

[BSA Unit Commissioner Service***](#)

- Please take the basic Unit Commissioner Classes online prior to arriving. The intro will be reviewed but this a great time to get questions answered and more information than what can be found in the online course.
- Interested in becoming a Unit Commissioner or have you already volunteered to be a Unit Commissioner?
- What is a Commissioner, and what is their role in making every unit strong? An overview of the entire Commissioner program; increasing service at the Unit, District, and Council level; and building a strong

Unit/Commissioner relationship. This course will cover all requirements of Unit Commissioner Leader Training.

Camping Adventures

- Feeling a bit overwhelmed about planning a campout with your pack? This introductory course on planning/camping will help your campout be enjoyable and successful. In this course participants will:
 - Learn how to plan and carry out a campout with your Cub Scout Pack or Webelos Den.
 - Learn the basics of planning a successful campout: What, Where, and How.
 - What will we need for the campout?
 - How's and What if's?
 - You're there – Now what?
 - Learn how to have a better campout.
 - Do a “debrief” session.

Campsite Cooking

- Learn about cooking at the campsite using various techniques.
- A little extra work is the difference between eating and good eating.
- Maximum Participants: 12
- **\$10 additional fee per participant.**

Conducting an Annual Planning Meeting

- The Council Calendar comes out a year in advance, yet many units only plan month to month. Learn more about the benefits and process of long-term planning that will help you in all aspects of life - scouts, school, work.
- Discuss how the Annual Planning Meeting should be conducted at the Troop level, this allows a Troop to have its Scouts provide input and drive the process.

Cooking on the Trail

- We will cover how to put your own delicious meals together using items found easily at the grocery store. Participants will:
 - Understand what food can safely be taken on a backpacking trip.
 - Understand backpack cooking and eating equipment needed.
 - Preview cooking methods that can be used on the trail without using pre-packaged backpacking meals.
 - Learn where to find recipes for backpack cooking.
- Maximum Participants: 12
- **\$5 additional fee per participant**

Cub Scout Position Specific Training (Official BSA Training C40, C42, and C60)*** – 2 Sessions

- Den Leaders will learn the information and tools they need to conduct successful and fun den meetings. Instructor-led training is enhanced with opportunities for problem-solving and networking. *Please note this course is also available online.*
- Cubmasters and Assistant Cubmasters will learn the information and tools they need to conduct successful and fun Pack program, including meetings, outings and ceremonies. Instructor-led training is enhanced with opportunities for problem-solving and networking. *Please note this course is also available online.*

- Committee Members will learn the information and tools they need to conduct successful and fun Pack program, including meetings, outings and ceremonies. Instructor-led training is enhanced with opportunities for problem-solving and networking. *Please note this course is also available online.*

[Derbies Galore](#)

- Learn the secrets of staging a Raingutter Regatta, Space Derby and Pinewood Derby events. Learn how to maximize fun and participation while promoting Scouting values. Find best practices to preserve your sanity while running a fantastic event!

[Dutch Oven Cooking](#)

- Action packed, non-stop, “this ain’t your mama’s Dutch oven” cooking. Bring your appetites and leave your notebooks at the door. Learn by doing – now go back and teach it to the Scouts!!!
- Maximum Participants: 20
- **\$5 additional fee per participant**

[Eagle Boards of Review and Eagle Ceremonies](#)

- What goes into an Eagle Board of Review and what doesn’t? This course covers the “Do’s and Don’ts” for organizing and executing an Eagle Board of Review.
- Learn the steps in planning an Eagle Court of Honor. This will include typical program elements, logistics, the people involved, who plans it, and examples of what others have done.

[ECSI CPR / AED Course](#)

- ECSI (Emergency Care and Safety Institute) CPR / AED Course will cover Adult and Child CPR / AED and Choking. If time allows Infant CPR and Choking will be covered.
- Maximum Participants: 24
- **\$45 additional fee per participant**

[Games with a Purpose](#)

- In this class, participants will learn how games can support leadership, interpersonal skills, and team building. We will also discuss what the end result of these games can be for PLC’s and other groups. Examples of a variety of games and tips for running them will also be covered.

[Geocaching](#)

- For those who aren’t “Old School Map and Compass” or those who want to get into the new century. Learn the basics of this skill and how to teach it to your Scouts.

[How Can We Help? – An Open Discussion about Your BSA Troop](#)

- This will be an open discussion with District and/or Council representatives where you can discuss challenges in new adult leaders or new parents in your BSA Program or any other challenge that you are experiencing within your troop. We may not have the answer during the discussion, but we will follow up and provide guidance on where to find additional help.

[How to Teach the Whittling Chip](#)

- Learn how to introduce important pocket knife-handling skills to Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts. In this class we will cover:
 - How to teach this skill to Bears and Webelos
 - Knife safety
 - How to sharpen knives
- Most materials provided.
- Participants will need to bring a pocketknife.

[International Scouting](#)

- International Scouting NEW! Scouting is a global movement. In this session, you will learn information that you can use in your unit without traveling overseas.
 - Scouting around the world and its history
 - International Scouting programs in your Units (Cub, Scout, Youth,..)
 - International Scouting program resources
 - BSA International Scouting programs for young adults (18+)

[Introduction to Backpacking](#)

- Demonstration of equipment used in backpacking trips (including water filters and stoves).
- Review and explanation of gear needed and discussion of gear.
- Basic backpacking trip planning along with some sample trips in this area.
- Participants are encouraged to bring their backpack if they have one.

[Leading Lions](#)

- Does your pack want to add a Lion den but are unsure how to incorporate kindergarteners into your program? Do you already have Lions and need some tips and advice? This class aims to share ideas on how to make scouting fun for our youngest members.

[Life to Eagle](#)

- Life to Eagle advancement, what constitutes a suitable Eagle Project, what should be included in the project proposal, how to submit it for approval, and what to include in the final write-up. This course is essential for Eagle Coaches and Scouters who work with Life Scouts.

[Marketing & Simple Social Media for Your Scout Unit](#)

- Get tips and tools for real-world and social media marketing of your Scout unit! We'll give you an easy strategy for Scout unit promotion and show you where to find everything you need from the BSA and the Council to help attract and grow your troop, pack, ship or crew including:
 - Simple social media setup
 - Where to get free design tools
 - How the Council can help promote your Scouts
 - Q&A and more!

Merit Badge Counseling*** (Official BSA Training D76)

- Learn the ins and outs of being a Merit Badge Counselor. Learn what is required to be a MB Counselor. Learn about record keeping and youth protection issues. Here are some tips on how to proceed. *Please note this course is also available online.*

Orienteering

- Learn how to use a map to get bearing and how orienteering is not just direction and distance.
- Learn how to set up a 1-mile orienteering course (example courses will be shown)
- Learn about UTM (Universal Transverse Mercator) coordinates, quick overview of GPS (Global Positioning System)
- Participants need to bring a compass, pencil, and paper.

Pioneering

- Learn how to build pioneering structures and we will build at least two structures.
- Basic instruction on how to start with a simple A-frame and progress from there to making a monkey bridge and suspension bridge with Scouts.
- Pioneering resources will be given out along with examples of pioneering projects to keep Scouts proficient at pioneering.
- *It is recommended that Participants bring a pair of gloves. Spars and ropes can be rough on hands, and a basic knowledge of knots is recommended.*

Planning BSA Trips

- Practical instruction in planning BSA outings:
 - When to start the planning process, who should do the planning, what needs to get done.
 - Sample trips will be discussed, and some planning tools will be distributed.
 - Discussion of picking adventurous outings and staying safe.
 - Park use permits, how to make a float plan, and suggested camping locations in our area will also be discussed.

The Scout Law for Cub Scouts

- Participants will gain an understanding of what the Scout Law means and how to teach it to Cub Scouts. Participants will learn:
 - What the Scout Law is.
 - Why it is important to the Scouts, and to all of us.
 - Ideas on how to teach the Scout law. (Hint: Be aware of your audience!)
 - A few fun games on how to help teach the Law.
 - How to make their own teaching tools.

Unit Communications

- What methods do you use to reach out to your scouts and their parents? This class goes over the various ways unit leadership can keep in touch with their Scouting families, making use of social media, messaging apps and other tools.