NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Application Packet

Oregon Trail Council – BSA

Camp Baker – Florence, OR

June 23 – June 29

National Youth Leader Training 2013

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To our Scouts:

The NATIONAL YOUTH LEADER TRAINING (NYLT) Conference is the premier Leadership Training course offered by our Council. NYLT is open to all Scouts at least 13 years of age and first class rank and above (with at least one year's experience as a Boy Scout). All applicants should have completed Troop Leader Training.

You will experience leadership training in an outdoor environment while gaining skills to lead other Scouts upon graduation. We have a great staff of youth leaders, who bring a lot of experience to the course.

Attendance is limited to only 48 Scouts across the entire Council, so register as soon as possible. The cost for this event is $185. A $85 deposit is required with the application and the balance must be paid by June 3, 2013.

For more information, please contact the course director,
John Hackbarth at (541) 221-3045
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Refund policy
Any cancellation after June 3, 2013 will only be in the amount of $75.00
Any cancellation during the course due to disciplinary action – no refund.

For more information on NYLT, please read the following:

What Is National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)?

The NYLT course simulates a month in the life of a troop. It is a six-day course that reinforces and expands upon Be-Know-Do leadership. You'll learn a number of leadership skills and concepts summarized on the memory tips card. You'll learn about the stages of team development and how to match the most appropriate leadership style with the developmental stage of the individual or team. The course has many challenges, including its culmination where you and your team undergo a quest for the meaning of leadership, which you then present to the entire NYLT troop.

The NYLT course has Eight Key Elements

1. A Month in the Life of a Troop

NYLT is a six-day course where you and the other Scouts live and work in an outdoor setting as part of a patrol within the NYLT troop. You'll experience the simulation of a month in the life of a troop, complete with patrol leaders' council meetings and planning for the big monthly outing (the outpost overnight trip at the end of the course). You'll use the patrol method throughout the course and rotate leadership positions so that each Scout can experience different roles. There is an immediate application of learning in a variety of structured and fun events.

The first days of the course equal three weeks of a troop, including troop and patrol leaders' council meetings, and a wide range of activities and games such as a camp wide geocache game and other sessions you can only experience. You'll learn to set a vision, with goals and plans, and use this process to plan for the big troop event, which gives you a chance to test your plans. You'll experience learning through action at its best.

Each patrol is also given a challenge to create a shared vision of success. They use this shared vision throughout the course to help achieve all they can as a patrol. Each patrol works on the quest for the meaning of leadership and, at the end of the course, presents their understanding of this and other concepts they have learned throughout the week as a skit, song, or something they build—the possibilities are endless.

2. Four Stages of Team Development

All teams (and individuals) go through development stages when facing any new task or project. They begin as highly enthusiastic but relatively low-skilled team members. As they begin to realize the task may be harder than they thought, and that their skills may need some work, their enthusiasm dips. Soon, however, they begin to gain some expertise in the skill, and their confidence begins to grow. Finally, they get it, and are a highly capable and enthusiastic team.

Team Stages	Development Phases	Leadership Behavior Best for This Stage
Forming	High Enthusiasm, Low Skills	Explaining
Storming	Low Enthusiasm, Low Skills	Demonstrating
Norming	Rising Enthusiasm, Growing Skills	Guiding
Performing	High Enthusiasm, High Skills	Enabling

3. Leadership Requires Vision, Goals, and Plans

Scouts are shown several video clips with the theme of Finding Your Vision/Creating a Future. They learn that "if you can see it, you can be it." Each Scout develops his personal vision for what future success looks like.

4. Toolbox of Leadership Skills

You learn a number of tools and techniques that will help you lead your Patrol or Troop. Skills that can help you in every area of your life and that will provide lifelong value.

5. Consistent Leadership Modeling

The adults and staff of the NYLT courses are wonderful role models who continuously set the example using the NYLT skills for the participants. They work hard to ensure that they use effective communication skills, model EDGE(TM) throughout the course, share their own visions with the troop, and demonstrate servant leadership throughout the week. They create a rich learning environment that focuses on the Scouts so that each participant comes away from the course with a full learning experience.

6. Scout Oath and Law

The course is always centered around the Scout Oath and Law and all of the values of the Scouting program.

7. Have Fun!

This course is a blast! Scouts are constantly busy with so many fun activities that they are always doing something new and exciting. The best part is that they are learning all of the leadership skills while having a great time.

8. Traditions

Many of the traditions of past Junior Leader Training courses continue. Our Scoutmaster and the staff ensure that they are aligned with the spirit of the new NYLT skills and philosophy.

What will I learn?

You will come away from your NYLT experience with exposure to the best of the best of leadership techniques. You will have learned so many invaluable skills about how create a vision of success, how to set goals and make plans, how to listen and solve problems, and how to teach and lead. Most of all, you'll learn the bigger picture of how to put the needs of others first in order to be a truly great leader. You learn to use the Scout Oath and Law to make hard decisions and to remain true to Scouting's values.

How can I use what I learn to support my Troop?

The applications to a home troop are immediate and obvious. You'll come home from NYLT with a new toolbox of skills at your disposal. You have lived the patrol method and have spent the week thinking about your own quest for the meaning of leadership. You will provide great value to the troop with your ability to coach and mentor the other scouts, using the Leading and Teaching EDGE(TM). You'll come back from NYLT having made a commitment to take on a challenge to better your troop. You'll share your challenge with the troop's leaders and enlist their aid in evaluating your efforts.

Can I use my NYLT knowledge anywhere else?

All of these skills are applicable to every part of your life. They will follow you to adulthood, enabling you to be the most effective leader—and follower—in any setting.

Are you ready for the challenge?

Fill out the attached NYLT Course Application, and prepare yourself for the best leadership training experience in the entire Council. Are you ready to LEAD?

To Our Scoutmasters & Parents:

Oregon Trail Council is pleased to offer the National Youth Leadership Training Conference from June 23 – June 29 2013 at Camp Baker. The cost of this week long, high intensity, leadership course is only $185.00.

The NYLT syllabus integrates the best of modern leadership theory with the traditional strengths of the Scouting experience. Through activities, presentations, challenges, discussions, and audio-visual support, NYLT participants will be engaged in a unified approach to leadership that will give them the skills and confidence to lead well. Through a wide range of activities, events, games, and adventures, NYLT participants will work and play together as they put into action the best that Scouting has to offer.
This conference will be open to Boy Scouts who meet the following criteria:

- At least 13 years old
- At least First Class rank
- Currently serving in a troop position of responsibility
- Previous long-term camping experience
- Be recommended/approved by his Scoutmaster

Please carefully consider the Scouts you send to NYLT, as the amount of benefit a young man will get from the conference is directly proportional to his level of maturity, attitude and focus. The Scout you send is a direct reflection on your Troop. NYLT is the high level of Youth Leadership Training available in our council and only 48 positions are available across the Council. Please submit your Scouts names early.

~ The NYLT Training Staff

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W h a t i s *National Youth Leader Training (NYLT)* T r a i n i n g ?

NYLT is an intense six-day outdoor experience for Boy Scout Troop youth leaders that fully supports the Troop-level training provided by the Troop's Scoutmaster. NYLT at Camp Baker is conducted by a trained staff of youth and adult leaders from around Oregon Trail Council. The training course is based on the syllabus provided by the National Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Course Overview

The course models a month in the life of a Troop - three meetings (one each day for the first three days). The course uses the patrol method and presents model Patrol Leader Council meetings.

The NYLT Patrols are challenged early in the week to present to their NYLTC Troop at the end of the week their "Quest for the Meaning of Leadership." While the challenge is designed to have them go through the four stages of team development, it will help patrols and individual Scouts internalize the leadership skills and concepts being presented to them along the way.

Throughout the course, the staff will be modeling the concepts and skills that are the core content of the course. The focus of each session is not only gaining knowledge, but giving Scouts a "Toolbox of Skills" that equips them with the "how." There is no post conference "ticket" or similar requirement, however, every Scout attending NYLT is challenged to put what he has learned to use in his Troop.

Leadership Skills Taught:

Day One
- Communicating Well, Part I
- Finding Your Vision, Part I

Day Two
- Setting Your Goals
- Preparing Your Plans

Day Three
- Forming Your Team
- Problem Solving
- Leading EDGE

Day Four
- Teaching EDGE
- Resolving Conflicts
- Making Ethical Decisions

Day Five
- Leading Yourself
- Valuing People

Day Six
- Finding Your Vision, Part II
- Communicating Well, Part II
- Creating A Future

The course begins with patrols finding their team vision and ends with each individual Scout refining a personal vision of how to take the skills back to his home Troop and communicate what he has learned. The course aligns what youth are learning and using with what adults know, learn and use from the current Wood Badge course.

How to register for NYLT:

A Scout Must:

1. Print and complete the NYLT Application form, available on the council website at: otcbsa.org/NYLT All information and signatures are required. Be sure that you print legibly or type your information.

2. Mail the completed form with your deposit (or the complete course fee) in the form of a check or money order to the Council Office:

   Oregon Trail Council – BSA
   2525 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
   Eugene, OR 97401

   It would be preferred if you would also include a copy of your Scouts Medical Form, which must still be valid upon the close of the NYLT Conference. However, you may alternatively bring your completed Medical Form with you to the conference.

You will be notified by NYLT Course staff via EMAIL of your acceptance into the NYLT Conference. Please ensure that your email address is valid. An email contact point is available on the website to answer any questions that you may have.

PLEASE NOTE: **All payments must be received in the council office by June 3, 2013. It is your responsibility to meet all deadlines, unless there is an active request for a campership, which is pending approval in our council office.**

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Please Print or type					
Last Name	First Name	Birth date	Present Age		
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip		
Telephone Day	Eves/Msg	Height	Weight	Unit Num	(Trp,Var,Crew)
District	Years in Scouting	Present Rank	Email Address		

Mail completed application with deposit to: Oregon Trail Council, 2525 MLK Jr. Blvd, Eugene, OR 97404

Dates of Leadership Service (Month/ Year) Circle and Insert date

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Previous Leadership Training Courses Attended: _____

THE NYLT FEE IS $185. A DEPOSIT OF $85 WILL BE NECESSARY TO HOLD A SPOT FOR EACH SCOUT. THE REAMAINING BALANCE ($100) MUST BE APID BY June 3, 2013. <u>There are limited spaces so be sure to sign up early and reserve a spot.</u>

ANY CANCELLATION AFTER June 10, 2013 WILL ONLY BE IN THE AMOUNT OF $75. IF COMPLETE FEES HAVE BEEN PAID, OTHERWISE, NO REFUND WILL BE MADE, SIGN UP NOW AND MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A SPOT. WE WILL MAKE AN ALTERNATIVE LIST IN CASE OF CANCELLATIONS.

<u>Be sure to READ and complete the information on the reverse side of this application and get all the appropriate signatures.</u>

Camp Baker,
Florence

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Recipt # **Amt Pd.** **Date**

Please answer the following questions:

1. **What do you hope to gain by attending this course?**

2. **What do you feel you can contribute to this course?**

3. **What will I do to show a good example during the NYLT course?**

The Youth Leadership Training Code of Ethics

I, _____ acknowledge that I will uphold the Scout Oath and Law. Specifically, I will refrain from unclean actions, language, or behavior that would not be a credit to my character. Character is defined as how I behave when no one is present.

Scouts signature_____Date_____

Parents signature _____Date_____

Scoutmaster:

My signature confirms that I have talked to this scout about leadership training, and what will be expected of him upon his return to our troop. I certify that he has the necessary scoutcraft skills and leadership potential to have a successful experience at this training course.

Scoutmaster signature: Date:

Parents:

I approve this application and my son's participation in this training course. I further acknowledge that my son will uphold his character to the highest standard. Attendance of this course is an honor, not a privilege an opportunity not an entitlement.

(I understand that should my son be sent home due to disciplinary action, there will be no refund)

Parent's signature: Date:

Scoutmaster Approval: Date: