



West Tennessee Area Council, BSA 2021 University of Scouting

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Saturday, May 8, 2021

8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

University School of Jackson

232 McClellan Rd. Jackson, TN

University of Scouting is an interactive and informative day of courses offered to help you to become a better leader, and in turn, offer a better program to your Scouts. This course is not training in the traditional sense of the word it is first hand experience in "how to" on topics you are most curious about. If you want to learn how to Hammock Camp, Dutch Oven Cook or master Scoutbook this is the course for you!!!!

No matter what your position in Scouting: Leader, interested parent wanting to know more or a First Class or above Scout, University of Scouting is where you will want to be on May 8, 2021.

The University of Scouting courses are designed to help **YOU** improve your skills and increase your knowledge about Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and related subjects. We encourage you to use your time between classes for Scouter networking – meet up with old friends, make new friends, and enjoy a great lunch. Don't forget to visit the University of Scouting Midway and Trading Post throughout the day.

Please take time today to look through this catalog, select six class hours and register on-line at WTACBSA.ORG. **Registering online will secure your class schedule on the spot.**

Of course, we could not do this without the exceptional dedication and support of many volunteers. From instructors to the administrative staff, I thank you for your efforts to make this a spectacular event. On behalf of the youth in the WTAC – **THANK YOU** for joining us! Your registration indicates your dedication to the principle that every Scout deserves a trained leader.

Chris Winschel

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University of Scouting Chancellor

Thank you to our U of S Deans:

Dean of Cub Scouts - Daphne Jackson
Dean of Scouts BSA - Chris Pope
Dean of General Studies - Kathy Steele
Dean of Logistics - Dan Brooks

2021 University of Scouting

Earning Your Degree

NEW 2021 degree program!

Past participation in a UofS will not qualify for this years patch set.

Associates Degree: Participate in the 2021 University of Scouting, attending a minimum of 4 classes. (Taking or teaching classes qualify)

Bachelors Degree: Participate in at least 2 University of Scouting programs from 2021 on! Attending a minimum of 8 classes. (Taking or teaching classes qualify)

Masters Degree: Participate in at least 3 University of Scouting programs from 2021 on! Attending a minimum of 12 classes. (Taking or teaching classes qualify) Plus bring 1 new person to University of Scouting and teach 1 class.

Doctorates Degree: Participate in at least 3 University of Scouting programs from 2021 on! Attending a minimum of 16 classes. (Taking or teaching classes qualify) Plus bring 1 new person to University of Scouting and teach 1 class. Also complete Woodbadge or Powderhorn training.

Mid-Day Break 11am - 1pm

Midway in the Hallway

There will be vendors from across West Tennessee that have resources and volunteer opportunities for your Unit. Please go and visit them and get connected!

Lunch (Box Lunches)

A box lunch will be provided. We are unable to accommodate allergies. Sorry for the inconvenience

Don't forget to shop at the Trading Post!

Need a resource book or a new manual and haven't had time to get to the Council Service Center? Don't worry! The University of Scouting Trading Post will be open all day. Pick up a few supplies or get that book that was recommended by your instructor.

2021 U of S Schedule for the Day

From	Activity
8:00 AM	Pre-registration packet pick up
8:30 AM	Opening Ceremony
9:00 AM	Sessions 1
10:00 AM	Session 2
11:00 AM	Midway & State of the Union Address
12:00 PM	Lunch
1:00PM	Session 3
2:00 PM	Sessions 4
3:00 PM	Session 5
4:00 PM	Closing Ceremony

ADDITIONAL USEFUL INFORMATION

Can youth attend?

Yes, Scouts 11+ can sign-up for classes in General Studies 300 level class. Youth must have a full class schedule and have a leader on property at all times.

Is there walk up registration?

Though we will not turn anyone away from a training we can not guarantee availability of classes, lunch or patches.

What should I wear?

Participants are encouraged to wear your uniform if you have one. If not a Unit or Scouting shirt will do.

Will we be Outside?

Some classes will be outside. Be sure to bring layers to help you stay warm and comfortable.

What do I do When I arrive?

Participants and staff must check-in at the Registration desk. You will receive a packet that includes a copy of your schedule.

Childcare availability?

There is no childcare at the University of Scouting.





Course	Cub Scout College Description	9:00	10:00	1:00	2:00	3:00
CS-101 Cubs & Crafts	Cubs and Crafts: Beyond Popsicle Sticks' (1hr) -Glenna Scott You will learn lots of ideas on how to include crafts into your Den program. Look beyond popsicles sticks with us.					
CS-102 Cyber Chip	Cyber Chip: Online Safety for all Ages' (1hr) - Christina Hunt Today's youth are spending more time using Social Media for education, research, fun and socializing. To help families and volunteers keep youth safe while online, Scouts BSA introduces the Cyber Chip, which is now required for all Cub scout ranks. This class will discuss the Cyber Chip program and techniques for completing it in your unit.					
CS-103 Cub Scout Games	Let the Games Begin!!! (1hr) -Daphne Jackson We all know that games are a great way to get scouts moving and engaged! Are you looking for more game ideas? Here it is! come learn how to play even more games with your Pack or Den!					
CS-104 Cubs in the Outdoors	Keep the "OUT" in Scouting (1hr) -Fawn Walden Don't keep those Scouts indoors meeting after meeting! Find places to go outdoors to make your program more fun while remaining safe.					
CS-105 Hiking with Cub Scouts	Day Hikes: Don't be Scared (1hr) -Barry Tuck How to run a safe hike. What supplies will you need? How to get everyone prepared before you leave. Get ideas for destinations. Come on Scouts, Let's go!					
CS-106 Cub Scouts Leaving no Trace	Outdoor Ethics/Cub Scout Advancement (1hr) -James Steele All ranks in Cub Scouts now have elements of Outdoor Ethics as part of rank advancement. This session will introduce how you help both promote the use of outdoor Ethics in Pack activities and help instruct principles of Leave No Trace and the Outdoor Code to your Cub Scouts.					
CS-107 Cub Grub	Cub Grub (2hr) -Scotty Scott Fun with food....whether for a Den meeting or a campout, learn these "how to" recipes for both Scouts and Adults enjoyment. Also, a look at Cub Scout adventures and elective requirements for making Den and Pack treats.					
CS-201 Cubmaster Minutes	Cubmaster's Minutes (1hr) - Fawn Walden The Cubmaster's minute is brief in duration but one of the most important parts of a Pack meeting. Occurring at the closing of the meeting, it is the thought that will go home with the Scouts. Come get more idea's that will go					


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CS-202 Cubmasters	Cubmaster's Open Forum (1hr) - Fawn Walden Join us for an open forum where you can get your Cub Scout leadership questions answered and network with other Leaders, and brainstorm new ideas to infuse energy into your Cub Scout.					
CS-203 Cub Ceremonies	Pack Meetings & Ceremonies (1hr) -Adrian Hackett Build lifetime memories with fun and engaging ceremonies to enhance y our Pack meetings. Well planned ceremonies can be the deciding difference between a good and a great meeting. Learn how to use ceremonial props.					
CS-204 Recognizing Leaders	Recognizing Leaders (1hr) -Scotty Scott How to say thank you without costing an arm and a leg. (warm fuzzes, beads, and more)					
CS-205 Pack Programming	Planning your Pack Program and Activities (1hr) -Fawn Walden Learn practices used when creating a Pack Program to help your unit become more active and more successful.					
CS-206 Blue and Gold	Blue and Gold Celebrations. (1hr) - Christina Hunt Ever wonder what all the buzz is about for Cub Scout Blue and Gold banquets, well this course is for you! Find out what the meaning behind it is and get some great ideas for planning, decorating, and theme ideas on how to celebrate this special occasion with Cub Families.					
CS-207 CS Scoutbook	Scoutbook For Cub Scouts (2hr) -Annette Lutrell Scoutbook for Scouts, BSA online tool for managing and tracking Scouting advancement. Come learn how to use it.					
CS-208 Pack Committee	Pack Committee Selection (1hr) -Barry Tuck To make Cub Scouting work it takes a team made up of each Cub Scout's parent or guardian and other caring Adults who agree to take on roles that best fit their Pack; Is the Cub Master part of the Pack Committee? What does the Pack Committee chair do? What are the required positions within a Cub Scout					
CS-209 Crossing over	Walking the Bridge (1hr) - Bonnie Ward Crossing your Webelos over to Scouts BSA can be a very special and life changing ceremony for young Scouts on their trail to Eagle Scout. What should you do; how to make it special? Come get some great ideas for a well					

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S-101 Scoutbook 1	The Basics of Scoutbook for Troops (1hr) -Tony Young Scoutbook for Scouts, BSA online tool for managing and tracking Scouting advancement. Come learn how to use it.					
S-102 Scoutbook 2	Harnessing the Power of Scoutbook for Troops (1hr) -Tony Young Scoutbook can do amazing things to get your Troop organized and on the right track. Come learn all the tricks.					
S-103 Life to Eagle 1 (Youth & Adults)	Life to Eagle: Eagle Ceremony (1hr) -Kenny Newsome You or your Scouts have worked for many years to reach this prestigious award. Make your ceremony incredible. How to make this special celebration all that it can be.					
S-104 Life to Eagle 2 (Youth & Adults)	Life to Eagle Board of Review (1hr) -Steve Argo This class will take the Mystery out of the Eagle Board of Review. This class will cover the Unit board of review and the District board of review. If you are a new Unit leader and want to make sure you are conducting boards correctly this is the class for you.					
S-105 Life to Eagle 3 (Youth & Adults)	Life to Eagle: The Eagle Scout Project (1hr) -Steve Argo Where to start on a Eagle Scout project. What order do you need to do things in and how do you accomplish it all.					
S-106 Scout Masters	Scoutmaster Open Forum (1hr) -Bonnie Ward & John Robinson Experience is the best teacher in life. Join this class to learn best practices from other Scoutmasters and to pass on your knowledge of being a leader.					
S-107 Scouting Awards	Scouting Awards (1hr) -Chris Pope Discover how many Scouts BSA awards are out there. Your Scouts have probably earned some you don't even know about.					
S-108 First Year Camper Program	First Year Camper Program (1hr) -Jessie Austin What you need to know about getting your first year Scouts off to a running start. Participating in Camp Mack Morris first year camper program will get them started down their Eagle path.					
S-109 High Adventure in West TN	High Adventure: The Holy Grail of the Outdoor Program (1hr) -Chris Pope Learn how to motivate your Scouts to plan high adventure events and Learn all the great spots to take them.					
S-110 OA	Order of the Arrow (1hr) - What is the OA and why should my Scouts be involved? Will this take my older Scouts away from the Troop?					

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S-111 PLC	The Scout Led PLC: How to make it work for you (1hr) -Chris Pope How to get your Scouts to step up and Lead. How to make this method work for your Troop and even make your Unit stronger.					
S-112 Scouts BSA Games	Scout BSA Games (1hr) - Chris Pope Scouting is fun with a purpose! Games are not only Fun, but effective for Teambuilding and skills development					
S-113 Camp Mack Morris	Summer Camp (1hr) -John Mayros This is your chance to see what's new at CMM and provide feedback about what changes you would like to see in the future.					


General Studies						
Course	Description	9:00	10:00	1:00	2:00	3:00
GS-101 Recruiting	Recruiting: The Lifeblood of Your Unit (1hr) - Phillip & Christina Hunt Ever recruited multiple Scouts only to learn that they drop out after 3 months? Successful recruiting is more than just giving out flyers at school open house, hosting a fun recruiting event or Scouting in the Classroom. This course will provide the building blocks necessary to create a successful recruiting program and a thriving unit!					
GS-102 Program Planning	Program Planning: The Blueprint of Your Unit (1hr) - The best units plan for their success. This course provides a helpful framework and the insights necessary to create a thriving program.					
GS-103 Funding your Unit	Unit Finance (1hr) -RC Hensley Unit finance requires a bit more than keeping track of dues. We hope this course of unit financial resources will help you run your unit more effectively.					
GS-104 Knots & Beads	It's all about the Knots and the Beads! (1hr) - Rodney Todd Learn about all the different types of recognitions and awards available to your Unit's Youth and Scout Leaders - from the Unit Level to District Level to Council Level.					

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GS-105 Scouts w/ disabilities	Supporting Scouts with Disabilities (includes Autism, ADD & ADHD) (1hr) - Kathy Steele This course will provide Scout leaders with suggestions for working with Scouts with disabilities. Activities, resources and alternative requirements for rank advancement will be discussed.					
GS-106 Family of Scouting	Family Scouting, Opportunities and Risks (1hr) -Kathy Steele We will present a detailed description of the many opportunities, and some of the risks, of the new Family Scouting program. The philosophy and background behind the initiation of Family Scouting will be presented.					
GS-107 District Committee	The District Committee (1hr) - Natalie McMasters & Clint Beilke Who are They, What Do They Do and Why do I care?					
GS-108 BSA Health Forms	BSA Health Forms 101 (1hr) -Karen Winschel How to help parents understand BSA Health Forms and ensure the safety of Scouts requiring medication on outings. This course will also offer best practices on obtaining Scouts and Leaders annual BSA forms & protecting their information.					
GS-109 Guide to Safe Scouting	Safety Myth Busters (1hr) -Steve Argo <u>You can do this but You can't do that (Guide to safe Scouting)</u> Do you know what is allowed or not allowed on a Scouting activity? Come learn how to find the needed answers using Scouting resources.					
GS-110 Social Media & Scouts	Using Facebook Pages and Groups Safely and Effectively (1hr) -RC Hensley In this course you'll learn how to best use Facebook to stay connected with your Scouts and volunteers. This session will cover important safety steps as well as how to take advantage of free Facebook features to promote events, i.e. geofarming, and engage volunteers. You'll also learn how District and Council pages can interact to help members stay connected as well as new sources for Scouting related content to post.					
GS-111 Flag Ceremonies	Flag Ceremonies (1hr) -Dan Brooks Does the flag and its handling intimidate you? This class will teach you the basics of flag folding and flag retirement Ceremonies.					
GS-112 History of the Council	History of the West Tennessee Area Council (1hr) Curious about how Scouting got started in West Tennessee or who has been involved over the years? Join this class to hear the history of the West Tennessee Area Council.					

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GS-113 Your District Executive	What is your DE's real job? (1hr) -Adrian Hackett Learn how your District Executive can help you deliver a quality program to as many Scouts as possible. Using District and Council resources for the betterment of your Unit.					
GS-114 Aquatics	Year Round Aquatics Program (1hr) -Chris Pope Learn about the aquatics program at Camp Mack Morris and how your Troop can utilize camp resources. Also, learn how the program is run through the Council Aquatics Committee.					
GS-115 Woodbadge	Woodbadge (1hr) -Charles Byrd What is it and why should you attend? What can Woodbadge do for your Scouting Unit? Find out what all the fuss is about!					
GS-301 Den Chief Training (Youth & Adults)	Den Chief Training (2hr) -Andrew Stokes A special training session for those Scouts wanting to develop their leadership skills by working as a Den Chief within Cub Scout units. The Den Chief is one of the most effective recruiting tools of a Boy Scout Unit. Scouts will learn how to work effectively in a leadership role within a Cub Scout Den.					
GS-302 Religious Awards (Youth & Adults)	Religious Emblems/Awards (1hr) -Tom Beasley Duty to God is an important part of Scouting. This class will help you to understand the religious award program for youth and adults in Scouting.					

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GS-303 Geocaching (Youth & Adults)	Intro to Geocaching and use with Android and Apple (2hrs) -Andrew Stokes Your Cub wants to earn the Geocaching belt loop, your Scout is working on the Geocaching merit badge, but you don't have a clue? Looking for a fun outdoor family activity? Geocaching - a high-tech treasure hunt using GPS is it. This class will be an introduction on how to use your smart phone to play the game. The instructors are experienced Geocachers with stories of interesting caches and a desire to help students understand how to enjoy this family-orientated sport. We highly recommend students sign up for a free Geocaching account from http://www.geocaching.com and download the free Geocaching app					
GS-304 Dutch Oven Cooking (Youth & Adults)	Dutch Oven Cooking (2hr) -Kat Young Developing an awareness of the finer Dutch oven cooking techniques can facilitate a fabulous feast. Participants will observe food preparation and use the Dutch oven while gaining a better understanding of how to plan nutritious meals. (This class will be offered twice. Each class will last two hours.)	Class #1		Class #2		
GS-305 Orienteering (Youth & Adults)	Orienteering for Beginners (2hr) - Kevin McCaig The purpose of this class is to empower youth and adults to explore the outdoors safely by utilizing map and compass.					
GS-306 Hammock Camping (Youth & Adults)	Hammock Camping Demonstration (1hr) - Kevin McCaig Observe the campsite will model the dos and don'ts of hammock camping, types of hammocks, how to set up for optimum comfort and safety, and the additional fun and high adventure camping that can be achieved.					
GS-307 Bullying (Youth & Adults)	Bullying (1hr) -Kathy Steele We have all seen a situation where one bullies another. This class will help you be proactive and find a positive solution that encourages good behavior.					
GS-308 Commissioner Basics	Commissioners 101 (1hr) - Sandy Jones What is a commissioner? What do they do? How can they help my Unit? Join this class if you have interested in becoming a commissioner or if you want to know more about their role with your Unit.					

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Classes may fill to maximum, so early registration is recommended!

Please Print Clearly:

Council: _____ District _____ Unit (Type & No.) _____
 Name _____ Leader Position _____
 E-Mail _____ Cell Phone () _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

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2021 University of Scouting Course Planning Grid

	Session 1 9:00 AM	Session 2 10:00 AM	Mid-way & Lunch 11 AM - 1PM	Session 3 1:00 PM	Session 4 2:00 PM	Session 5 3:00 PM
1st Choice						
Alternates						

Use this grid to plan out your course schedule. NOTE: The length of some classes span more than one class session so schedule accordingly.

REGISTRATION	\$25 youth & Adult	X		=		TOTAL <hr/>
LATE REG. & WALK-INS (AFTER May 3)	\$ 30	X		=		
STAFF - must teach at least 2 classes	\$10	X		=		

INCLUDES: classes, lunch, patch, & resource materials

Special Note: Youth First Class Rank and above may attend designated University of Scouting classes, An adult MUST accompany these youth to the event. **NO DROP OFFS PLEASE**