

NATIONAL YOUTH LEADER TRAINING COURSE FACT SHEET

WHAT IS NYLT? The National Youth Leader Training Course is an intense seven-day outdoor experience for present and future youth Leaders. They will be living the Patrol Method, practicing outdoor and scoutcraft skills and learning advanced leadership and planning skills in an intense team-building atmosphere under the guidance of a well trained staff. The Council Leadership Training Committee will supervise the course, using the latest National Youth Leadership Training syllabus approved by the Boy Scouts of America.

WHAT IS ITS PURPOSE? Scouting recognizes that Scoutmasters have the responsibility of training their own scouts, in being better troop leaders and in maintaining a youth-run Scouting Program. The purpose of this Course is not to assume that role, but to support it.

The major objectives of the Course are as follows:

- To help participants gain the confidence and knowledge to run the Troop program.
- To provide participants with a clear understanding of team and personal development
- To teach and practice **key leadership skills** and relate these skills to the Scout's troop responsibilities.
- To give participants the opportunity to share their ideas and experiences with other Scouts.
- Give each Scout a varied experience with emphasis on the patrol method and new ways to teach scoutcraft skills in a fun atmosphere back in his home troop.
- To create an atmosphere where Scouts will experience Scouting at its best.
- To enhance the relationship between the Scout and Scoutmaster.

WHO MAY ATTEND? Each participant must be at least a **First Class Scout and 13 years old by August 17, 2008** and currently filling a leadership position in the troop, such as: Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader or a Scout likely to assume a leadership position soon. He should have good camping, hiking and cooking skills. Successful completion of Troop Junior Leader training would be a definite asset.

HOME SCOUTMASTER INVOLVEMENT! This Conference is intended to help strengthen relationships between the youth Leaders and their Scoutmasters. Scoutmasters should attend a special orientation session concerning the Course Objectives and the Skills being taught, 2 sessions are going to be scheduled in June and you will be notified of those dates and times. You only need to attend one of these sessions.

WHEN (DATES)? **August 17-23, 2008** (Sunday through Saturday). Scouts should plan to **arrive between 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM** on opening day; program will start at 9:00 AM and be ready to depart at approximately 12:00 PM on the final day. This would be provided that everything is cleaned up and put away at camp. **NO ONE** is expected to leave before the others, or before the closing ceremony has been completed.

WHERE? Pine Tree Education and Environmental Center in Tabernacle, New Jersey.

COST? The cost of the Course is **\$175.00**. This includes food, patrol camping equipment, training materials, and two T-Shirts. A deposit of **\$50.00** per Scout must accompany the Troop's reservation by **June 1, 2008**. A balance of **\$125.00** per scout should be remitted by **August 1, 2008**.

MISCELLANEOUS: Each Troop will be guaranteed their **first 2 Scouts registered** to attend the Course until **June 1, 2008**, after that date, we will fill the remaining spots with the additional Scouts that have been registered. An Individual Application form, Personal Resource Questionnaire, T-shirt size and order form and an Equipment List will be sent to each participant along with a Personal Health and Medical form, as soon as the Troop's reservation is received. Most Scouts should have the necessary equipment. Although there are no special uniform requirements, each participant should see that the badges and insignia are properly placed and that the Official Scout Uniform is worn correctly.

MORE INFORMATION? Additional information concerning the course and the availability of partial camperships can be obtained from the Burlington County Council Service Center (609-261-5850), or Roger E. Clark (609) 871-6765.