

Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader

Every scout deserves a trained leader and every leader is responsible to get properly trained. This statement is very true and it is one of our primary responsibilities as leaders. In the Lost Dutchman District, we are going to work very hard to ensure that every leader is properly trained for their specific position.

Currently only 59% of our adult leaders are properly trained in their current position. Or another way to look at it is that 41% of our leaders are short changing the scouts they serve. September is going to officially be our trained leader month.

Only 59% of adult leaders in the Lost Dutchman District have completed the training for their current position.

On September 8th, we will be offering leader specific training for all cub scout and boy scout leaders. On October 6th we will be offering the outdoor Leadership Training for Boy Scout leaders and the Baloo Training for Cub Scout leaders. And in preparation for all of this training, we will be offering the Trainers Edge course on August 11th. This is a course for all leaders that plan on being trainers.

In addition, Council is offering the College of Commissioner Science on September 22nd for commissioners. On September 14th and 15th the Council is offering the Leadership Academy for those leaders that are involved in District and Council leadership.

Finally, all leaders must have completed the new version of the Youth Protection Training by October 1, 2018. This is an on-line training course that will take anywhere from 1 to 1.5 hours to complete. Leaders will not be allowed to re-charter and will not be allowed to continue as a leader if they do not have the new YPT.

Some leaders may not even know if they have completed the proper training. We are going to help all units by providing a current list of trained leaders and a list of leaders requiring training. In the month of August, the unit commissioners will be providing this information to each unit. Unit leaders need to be sure to get the word out to every leader that requires training.

With all of this training being offered in the Month of September, every leader, in every position, has the opportunity to become trained.

Every one of our 1,645 scouts in the Lost Dutchman district deserves to have a trained leader. I would ask all of us to pitch in and make sure that September becomes our TRAINED LEADER MONTH.

To get information and register for any of these upcoming training courses go to:
<https://grandcanyonbsa.wixsite.com/dutchman/training-calendar>

Thank you, Tim Wolfe, Lost Dutchman District Chairman