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# National Youth Leadership Training

August 6 to 11, 2023



**Scouts BSA, Venturers,  
and Sea Scouts,  
This is your next step  
in Leadership Training!**

## Youth Leader Nomination

Troop, Crew, or Ship nominations for youth to attend the Minsi Trails Council 2023 National Youth Leadership Training will be online. After registration, a check made out to *Minsi Trails Council 2023 NYLT* in the amount of the balance due per nominee will need to be sent to council (the address will be online). Nominations need to be submitted by **June 30, 2023**. The \$300 fee is due by **June 30, 2023**, otherwise an additional \$100 will be charged (\$400 total). Please provide a contact email. Course confirmation letter and information will be sent by email.

The following information will be needed for each youth when registering online:

Nominee name

Address of nominee

District

T-Shirt size (Adult size)

Email

Scout Rank

Birthdate

Gender

Council Name and Number

Scoutmaster's/Crew Advisor's/Skipper's Name

Scoutmaster's/ Crew Advisor's/Skipper's Address

Scoutmaster's/ Crew Advisor's/Skipper's Telephone

Scoutmaster's/ Crew Advisor's/Skipper's Email

Please go to the following web address and follow the instructions to register your Scouts for Minsi Trails Council 2023 NYLT course:

<https://www.minsitrails.org/event/2953485>

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### O'Connell NYLT Scholarships

In memory of Charles M. O'Connell IV, a long time Minsi Trails NYLT Scoutmaster who also served in multiple training positions and was an advocate of youth-led training, a limited number of scholarships are available for youths participating in the NYLT program. **These scholarships are based on financial need and funds availability.** Contact Council NYLT Coordinator Wayne Gross to check on availability and how to apply for an O'Connell NYLT scholarship (see *Where Can We Get More Information?* section below)

Those who would like to make a donation to the *O'Connell NYLT Scholarship Fund*, please send it to Minsi Trails Council.

#### What's the Cost?

- The cost for the course is \$300.00 per Scout, Venturer, or Sea Scout which includes all food and training materials. Out of Council participants fee is \$350.
- **If fees are not paid in full by June 30, 2023 the fee is \$400.00 For out of Council participants the late fee will be \$450.00.**
- Troops, Crews, and Ships are encouraged to pay at least part of the fee from their unit budgets.
- **SPECIAL OFFER** - Minsi Trails Council units who have not sent youth in the past to NYLT may send one youth for a fee of \$200.00. The late fee is \$300.00.

#### Is Any Special Equipment Needed?

- An equipment list will be sent to each participant. Clothing and equipment should be similar to what each would take to a weeklong summer camp.
- A completed medical form A, B, and C is required.
- Full **field** uniforms are required.

## RESERVATIONS

The **course size is limited** so reserve space for your key youth leader(s) as soon as possible. Make your nomination online. A waiting list will be established after the course fills.

- Full payment per Scout is required with the registration online to hold the reservation.
- Nominations need to be submitted online by **Friday, June 30, 2023**.
- The fee is to be paid by **June 30, 2023**.
- If full fee is not paid by **June 30, 2023** then the fee is \$400.00.
- **NO REFUNDS AFTER June 30, 2023**.
- There will be no reservations accepted after **June 30, 2023**.

Nomination/Registration can be done online at <https://www.minsitrails.org/event/2953485>

## Who May Attend?

Qualified participants are **all four**:

1. You are a Senior Patrol Leader, Crew President, Boatswain, or a youth with other Troop, Crew, or Ship leadership experience and the skills and abilities to be Senior Patrol Leader, Crew Officers, or Ship Officers in the future.
2. At least 13 years old by August 6, 2023.
3. Star Scout (First Class Scouts will be accepted if they have the physical and emotional maturity to benefit fully from the experience). *Does not apply to Venturers.*
4. Actively supported by their Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor/Skipper.

## How many Scouts may my Troop/Crew/Ship send?

NYLT is a training program, designed to improve the Troop, Crew, and Ship program. **Troops, Crews, and Ships may nominate as many leaders as they wish.** Troops/Crews/Ships need to name the youth leader(s) who will attend at the time a nomination is made.

## Is the Home Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor/Skipper Involved?

The National Youth Leadership Training is intended to strengthen the relationship between the youth leader and his Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor/Skipper.

1. A mandatory **pre-course meeting** will be held on Saturday, **July 8, 2023** for Scouts, Venturers, Sea Scouts parents, and the youth's Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor/Skipper. We will review course expectations, equipment needed, the Scoutmaster's/Crew Advisor's/Skipper's role, and answer any questions. *Details for the meeting will be issued at a later date.* **The pre-course meeting will be at the Nature Lodge at Trexler Scout Reservation.**

2. Each youth leader is expected to apply the skills he/she has learned in his/her home Unit. Each Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor/Skipper is encouraged to learn what the youth have learned and support them as they put into practice the leadership skills.



### What are the Dates?

- The weeklong course will occur:  
**Sunday August 6 through Friday August 11**
- Attendance for the full week is required to complete the course. The course starts Sunday morning and ends Friday evening. Details will be provided after registration.

### What's the Location?

The course will be held at Akelaland Camp at the Trexler Scout Reservation, Jonas, PA.

### Who Directs the training?

The Scoutmaster for the training Troop is **Todd Suess**. He is an experienced Scout Leader who is Wood Badge trained. He is building a staff of outstanding Minsi Trails Council youth and adult leaders.

### Where Can We Get More Information?

Additional information can be obtained from:

MTC Council NYLT Coordinator Wayne Gross

Email: [wegseg@msn.com](mailto:wegseg@msn.com) (Make sure 2023 NYLT is in the subject line)

Minsi Trails NYLT Web page: [www.minsi-nylt.com/index.htm](http://www.minsi-nylt.com/index.htm)

### Why NYLT?

An integral part of BSA's Youth Leadership Training Continuum, NYLT is the next step after Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops/Crews/Ships (ILST/C). The Minsi Trails Council will be sponsoring a one Troop course in 2023 to provide opportunities for the Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, and Skippers to train your youth leaders. The National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) course supports Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, and Skippers in their primary responsibility of training youth leaders. The Minsi Trails Council will offer the weeklong course in 2023.

Built on the legacy of past youth leader training courses, NYLT integrates the best of modern leadership theory with the traditional strengths of a Scouting experience. Through activities, presentations,

challenges, discussions, and audio-visual support, NYLT participants will be engaged in a unified approach to leadership that gives 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.

The course is set up to represent a month in the life of a Unit. Patrols experience the stages of team development. Participants discover that leadership requires vision, goals, and planning. Participants are provided a "toolbox" of leadership skills.

The National Youth Leadership Training is a classroom and outdoor experience for youth leaders in support of the Scoutmaster's, Crew Advisor's, and Skipper's responsibility for the training of their youth leaders. It is conducted by the council leadership training committee using an outline approved by the Boy Scouts of America.

## Training Youth Leaders

**"Training boy leaders to run their troop is the Scoutmaster's most important job."**

**"Train Scouts to do a job, then let them do it."**

**"Never do anything a boy can do."**

Lord Baden-Powell

