2023 Southern California Commissioner College

Technical Program

# Period 1: 8:30 am – 9:20 am

**Basic Training** *Unit Commissioner Basic Training (Complete)*

This course offers the complete national syllabus for commissioner basic training at the unit level.

**Cub Basic Training** *Cub Scout Leader-Specific Training*

This combination course, the famed Rose Bowl "Pack Attack", contains all of the training required for ALL adult leaders in cub scout packs, including cubmasters, den leaders, webelos leaders.

**Trainer's EDGE** *Trainer's EDGE Lecture Component*

This course satisfies the trainer's EDGE requirement for trainers and wood badge staff. Participation requires attendance in all 3 morning sections and one of the two afternoon lab sections.

**Train the Trainer** *Train the Trainer*

This full-day course is the WLACC Train the Trainer combination class, which provides Fundamentals of Training and Trainer's EDGE in one session.

**BCS 101** *Core Concepts of Commissioner Service*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to define & Identify the role and types of commissioners, describe the five commissioner focus areas, state the key skills needed to be a good commissioner, and apply this new knowledge and understanding for exceptional unit service

**BCS 107** *Journey to Excellence*

JTE is the BSA’s tool for helping leaders plan their program, monitor progress and assess their Scouting success.

Scouting success takes many forms, and JTE success employs

a “balanced scorecard” as a result. The standards enable both large Scout units and small ones to succeed — as long as they provide good Scouting to youth.

**BCS 117** *Commissioner & Unit Key 3*

In this course, we examine the roles of the unit key 3 and how commissioners work and coach each.

**BCS 156** *Recruiting, Training and Recognizing the Roundtable Team*

Properly recruiting, training and recognizing the roundtable team is vital to the success of all roundtables. One of the duties in the role as the district commissioner is to recruit, train, guide, and evaluate the required commissioner personnel of the district.

**BCS 230** *Commissioner Self Assessment - How Are You Doing?*

This session will focus on self-evaluation of your commissioner performance.

How to effectively review your unit service and how to reflect on your impact on the units you serve.

**BCS 260** *Introduction to Scoutbook*

You've heard of Scoutbook, but what is it? How does it work? What benefits might it provide for a unit and for a commissioner? How do I get started?

**UOS/BCS 271** *How to Have a Pinewood Derby*

This class teaches tips on how to successfully hold a unit pinewood derby.

**UOS/BCS 277** *Scout to 1st Class*

This class will show you how to help your scouts make it to First Class in 12 - 18 months

**UOS/BCS 281** *Introducing Fishing into your Program*

Who doesn't like fishing? Learn from seasoned fisherman on how to implement fishing into your outdoor program.

**MCS 303** *Managing Unit Service at the District Level*

In this course, we will review how commissioner tools can assist commissioners working at the district level understand how their units and commissioners are performing.

**MCS 306** *Mentoring Skills*

The course will discuss the new mentoring model, differences of coaching and mentoring and how it applies to commissioner service.

**MCS 314** *The Commissioner and the Professional*

In this course, learn more about the relationship between the commissioner and the professional. How can they work closely together to reach a common goal of providing quality service to units? What can the professional do to help the volunteer accomplish their goals and what can the commissioners do to help the professional accomplish their goals and fulfil their critical achievements?

**MCS 357** *Managing Long Distance Roundtables*

This course will provide an understanding of the current resources available to enhance long distance roundtables.

**MCS 420** *Commissioner Tools*

Learn how to navigate and use the tools that are needed as a commissioner to log unit visits. This course will look at everything Commissioner Tools from entering contacts and Roundtables to administrative actions like assigning units.

**UOS/MCS 487** *Religious Emblems*

A Scout is Reverent. Discover the various types of religious awards for scouts.

**DCS 501/502** *Selecting a Thesis Topic and Limiting its Scope*

This discussion workshop will introduce those candidates who are beginning the DCS program to the process of proposing and preparing a DCS thesis.

# Period 2: 9:30 am – 10:20 am

**YPT** *Youth Protection Training*

This is the national youth protection course that is required for all adults registered in Scouting.

**UC Basic (con't)** *Unit Commissioner Basic (continued from period 1)*

**Cub Basic (con't)** *Cub Basic (continued from period 1)*

**EDGE (con't)** *EDGE Lecture (continued from period 1)*

**Train Trainer (con't)** *Train the Trainer (continued from period 1)*

**BCS 102** *Supporting Timely Charter Renewal*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to understand the process of charter renewal, identify the roles of the commissioner, charter partner, and unit leaders, and understand the consequences of failure

**BCS 108** *Mining Internet Resources*

As a result of this session, participants will recognize internet resources with good information, select reliable websites for use, and summarize internet resources for unit and commissioner use.

**BCS 150** *Roundtables in Commissioner Service*

The course discusses how roundtable is to help units succeed by providing ideas, information on policy, and current information on council & district events and training opportunities. An effective roundtable is vital to the success of all commissioner service. This course reviews and reinforces how roundtables fit into the commissioner service structure by providing roundtable services to unit leaders.

**BCS 153** *Roundtable and Commissioner Tools*

In this course, the participants will learn how to use the roundtable tab on Commissioner Tools. They will also learn to create power pivot table reports. For a participant to be fully engaged in the course they need to have a computer to be able to access Commissioner Tools.

**BCS 231** *Emphasis on Duty to God in Scouting*

A Scout is Reverent. Okay, so what does that mean? Scouting has a religious heritage and many units are sponsored by religious organizations. Commissioners may need to coach unit-level Scout Leaders on the use of existing resources to help Scout understand their duty to God. This session will address what BSA and Baden Powell say about Duty to God. It will ocver where it plays a role in the Scouter application, the Scout Oath & Law, and advancement. We will cover theReligious Emblems Program, as well as religious roles for Scouts and Scouter in the Scouting program.

**UOS/BCS 272** *Planning your Cub Scout Year*

In this class we will help you make your pack calendar interesting, fun, and full.

**UOS/BCS 278** *Training your Youth Leaders to Lead*

In this class we will discuss the role of the Scoutmaster in teaching junior leaders to excel in their positions.

**UOS/BCS 282** *Knot Tying Made Easy*

Crookston This class teaches various knottying methods for Scouts who struggle with knots.

**MCS 303** *Managing Unit Service at the District Level*

In this course, we will review how commissioner tools can assist commissioners working at the district level understand how their units and commissioners are performing.

**MCS 309** *Good Commissioners Need Both Head and Heart*

The objective of this session is to help commissioners with at least one or two years of experience reflect on some of the important qualities of good commissioner service (the “head”). The session also provides a variety of inspirational anecdotes for them to share with unit adults as well as other commissioners (the “heart”).

**MCS 313** *Onboarding New Commissioners*

In this class we will explain why we onboard commissioners, discuss what is included in onboarding process, and review the onboarding process for new commissioners.

**MCS 422** *MyScouting Tools*

There’s a lot of power in our online tool kit these days. Come learn how to unleash the full capabilities of my.scouting.org!

**MCS 430** *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*

This is a primer in where to locate community events and how to leverage those events to your unit's advantage.

**MCS 461** *Scoutbook Functions*

Great! You've decided to use Scoutbook and have set up a unit. Now what? We will explore the different functions of Scoutbook and how to use them: advancement tracking, communications, planning, and reporting. Designed for Scouters and commissioners with a basic understanding of Scoutbook.

**UOS/MCS 488** *How to Successfully Start a New Unit*

This class explaines the proven steps on how to form a new unit.

**MCS 497** *Council President's Summit*

This is an administrative meeting for council presidents.

**DCS 503** *Developing Your Project or Thesis*

This will be a workshop in which we work together to develop thesis plans for our participants.

**DCS 617** *Council Finance*

In this course, learn more about council finance and how to develop good practices. What to start, what to stop and what to keep.

# Period 3: 10:30 am – 11:20 am

**YPT (con't)** *YPT (continued from period 2)*

**UC Basic (con't)** *Unit Commissioner Basic (continued from period 1)*

**Cub Basic (con't)** *Cub Basic (continued from period 1)*

**EDGE (con't)** *EDGE Lecture (continued from period 1)*

**Train Trainer (con't)** *Train the Trainer (continued from period 1)*

**BCS 103** *Linking District Resources*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to explain typical District structure and the functions of the District, know how to use the resources of the District to better support the units they serve, and utilize the Unit Service Plan when assessing the unit needs by identifying District resources.

**BCS 109** *The Essential Element (A Servant’s Heart)*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to define the characteristics of servant leadership, understand a servant’s heart, and apply this concept in commissioner service.

**BCS 117** *Commissioner & Unit Key 3*

In this course, we examine the roles of the unit key 3 and how commissioners work and coach each.

**BCS 154** *Cub Scout Roundtables*

Cub Scout Roundtable is a valuable commissioner service for volunteers at the unit level. Roundtables provide leaders with program ideas, information on policy and events, and skill development opportunities. It is a forum for sharing experiences and enjoying fun and fellowship with other Cub Scout leaders. When skillfully executed, the roundtable experience will inspire, motivate, and enable unit leaders to provide a stronger program for their Scouts.

**BCS 208a** *Scouts and Shooting Sports*

Shooting sports with scouts what's allowed and what is not allowed.

**BCS 232** *Journey to Excellence - Not Just at Rechartering*

This session will review the purpose and inspiration intended for the JTE program. Unit Commissioners are advocates for JTE and unit success. During this session we will review the resources available to unit commissioners for monitoring and inspiring unit program planning and review throughout the year.

**UOS/BCS 273** *Blue & Gold*

This class will teach you how to plan and execute a Blue & Gold Banquet.

**UOS/BCS 283** *Dutch Oven Cooking 101*

This class includes Dutch oven cooking demo, tips, recipes, and more!

**MCS 311** *All About the ADCs Role*

This course will educate the audience on the purpose of the assistant district commissioner role and how it benefits commissioner services.

**MCS 351** *How to Conduct the Annual Planning Session*

An effective roundtable annual plan is vital to the success of all roundtables. Every district and council should have an annual roundtable plan. This course will discuss annual roundtable planning in your district or council.

**MCS 358** *Roundtables and Solving Unit Problems*

District roundtables have a unique position to help units and unit leaders solve their problems. A great roundtable team will deliver a quality event that encourages leaders to return each month.

**MCS 423** *Online Registration*

Learn everything about managing membership registration online. From managing beascout.org, to getting leads, and sending and approving applications, find out how your units can be more efficient with new member registration.

**MCS 431** *STEM Cub Scout Fun at Roundtable and in your Unit Program*

How to implement, modify and incorporate hands-on STEM activities at Roundtable and in your unit program. This course will provide program ideas that will encourage units to add STEM to their activities. Scouts love action - STEM will provide the action and the interest to keep them coming back.

**MCS 460** *Scoutbook Laboratory*

Come and see Scoutbook in action! We will demonstrate aspects of the functionality of Scoutbook. Come with your questions and issues.

**UOS/MCS 479** *Order of the Arrow and Your Troop*

This course explores reasons why the OA could benefit your unit

**MCS 497** *Council President's Summit*

This is an administrative meeting for council presidents.

**DCS 504** *Project Thesis Open Workshop Forum*

This will be a workshop in which we work together to develop thesis plans for our participants.

**UOS 999** *Life to Eagle*

Peterson This class teaches youth scouts about the Life to Eagle process.

# Period 4: 12:45 pm – 1:35 pm

**EDGE Lab** *Trainer's EDGE Laboratory*

Instructor permission required. Inquire in period 1.

**MBC** *Merit Badge Counselor Training (two hours)*

Kurt This is the required training course for all merit badge counselors.

**Train Trainer (con't)** *Train the Trainer (continued from period 1)*

**BCS 104** *Contacting Units*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to describe how the concept of commissioner service is demonstrated in frequent unit contacts, identify ways to demonstrate good commissioner service as we serve as a coach/mentor and representative of the BSA, and explain the importance of using Commissioner Tools to record and manage unit contacts.

**BCS 112** *Recruiting Unit Commissioners*

One of the duties in your role as the district commissioner as part of the District Key 3 is to recruit, train, guide, and evaluate the required commissioner personnel of the district. District commissioners take ownership of the district team of commissioners to ensure that all units are well cared for throughout the year. This course will focus on recruiting.

**BCS 152** *The Year-Round Roundtable Planning Process & Promotion*

In this course, the participants will be learning how to plan a year roundtable program to best serve the units in their districts. They will also discuss how to promote Roundtables to the units they serve.

**BCS 155** *Scout Roundtables*

Scout Roundtable is a valuable commissioner service for volunteers at the unit level. Roundtables provide leaders with program ideas, information on policy and events, and skill development opportunities. It is a forum for sharing experiences and enjoying fun and fellowship with other Scout leaders. When skillfully executed, the roundtable experience will inspire, motivate, and enable unit leaders to provide a stronger program for their scouts.

**BCS 208b** *What’s New with Shooting Sports*

This course will give you the answers to the questions for all activates that fall under the shooting sports category.

**BCS 233** *Supporting the Outdoor Ethics Attitude in the Unit*

Unit Commissioners guiding units to an increasing awareness and attitude for outdoor ethics in unit programs. Units should practice Outdoor Ethics in their thinking and actions--wherever they go. This session will prepare the participants to develop the units' commitment through adopting the 7 points of Leave No Trace and the Tread Lightly program.

**BCS 260** *Introduction to Scoutbook*

You've heard of Scoutbook, but what is it? How does it work? What benefits might it provide for a unit and for a commissioner? How do I get started?

**UOS/BCS 274** *Cub Grub*

Learn how to make creative and delicious snacks with your Cubs!

**UOS/BCS 280** *Service Projects and your Unit*

Discover different types/ideas for service projects for your unit.

**UOS/BCS 284** *Campfire Planning*

This class teaches great ways of planning your campfire programs.

**MCS 315** *Effective Unit Service in Urban Communities*

This session refers to those urban communities where poverty is a prevailing influence and where community considerations require refinement and flexibility for volunteer-led packs, troops, crews and posts to be successful. Service to low-income communities is part of our Scouting roots. Lord Baden-Powell said, “Our aim is to give equal chances to all and to give the most help to the least fortunate.”

**MCS 352** *Roundtable Is Over – Now What??*

The course will discuss the concept that roundtable isn’t over when the last chair is put away. There are things that need to be completed to help get ready for the next roundtable. There are also items that need to acted on, to help units with their problems. Letting them go until later often means they don’t get done at all.

**MCS 420** *Commissioner Tools*

Learn how to navigate and use the tools that are needed as a commissioner to log unit visits. This course will look at everything Commissioner Tools from entering contacts and Roundtables to administrative actions like assigning units.

**MCS 432** *BSA - The Best Kept Secret*

What are you doing to get the word out that BSA is alive and well? Get some new PR ideas for your unit.

**MCS 497** *Area 4 Key 3 Meeting*

This area leadership huddle is an opportunity for council key 3 members to confer and share best practices.

## **CED 713** Advancement for Scouts with Special Needs–The Commissioner's Role

This course will provide Commissioners with knowledge to share with unit leaders so they can provide an Advancement program which provides these youth with the Scouting opportunities to succeed.

**CED 899** *Burning Issues*

Come join us and to discuss different issues or problems in you units. Here's a place for open discussion and problem solve.

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| **Period 5: 1:45 pm – 2:35 pm** |  |
| **EDGE Lab** *Trainer's EDGE Laboratory*Instructor permission required. Inquire in period 1. |  |  |

**MBC (con't)** *MB Counselor (continued from period 4)*

**Train Trainer (con't)** *Train the Trainer (continued from period 1)*

**BCS 102** *Supporting Timely Charter Renewal*

In this course you will; understand the process of charter renewal; identify the roles of the commissioner, charter partner, and unit leaders; and understand the consequences of failure.

**BCS 105** *Resolving Common Unit Issues*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to use the Detailed Assessment to identify unit strengths and needs, understand early warning signals of unit issues, and identify focus areas for observing specific unit needs during regular contacts.

**BCS 114** *Understanding and Communicating with Today’s Leaders*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to identify the characteristics of generations within scouting’s leaders, understand the differences in relating to Generations involved in Scouting, and embrace the differences and similarities to make the scouting program stronger.

**BCS 234** *Online Applications Made Easy*

This session will include online application processes for youth and adult applications. How to set up the unit to accept online applications and the unit's responsibility for verification and approval.

**UOS/BCS 275** *Cub Scout Recruiting 101*

This class teaches proven methods on how to successfully recruit.

**MCS 307** *Commissioner Service for Newly Formed Units*

In this course, a commissioner will learn the role of a new-unit commissioner and become familiar with working side by side with a new unit organizer.

**MCS 309** *Good Commissioners Need Both Head and Heart*

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**MCS 311** *All About the ADC’s Role*

This course will educate the audience on the purpose of the assistant district commissioner role and how it benefits commissioner services.

**MCS 312** *Recruiting a Commissioner Team*

Effective recruiting is vision-based. Your success will be greater if you have a vision for your term of service that guides you.

**MCS 422** *MyScouting Tools*

There’s a lot of power in our online tool kit these days. Come learn how to unleash the full capabilities of my.scouting.org!

## **MCS 433** Scouts BSA - Program Feature - Hands on activities to enhance your Roundtable and Unit Programs

This session will include ideas for action at Roundtable and at Troop meetings. Scouts love action and being involved in the meeting action. This course will include Hands-on…out of your seat…activities.

**MCS 461** *Scoutbook Functions*

Great! You've decided to use Scoutbook and have set up a unit. Now what? We will explore the different functions of Scoutbook and how to use them: advancement tracking, communications, planning, and reporting. Designed for Scouters and commissioners with a basic understanding of Scoutbook.

**UOS/MCS 486** *High Adventure Team (HAT) and Your Unit*

This class teaches how HAT can up your Scouting game in the outdoors.

**MCS 498** *Area 4 Commissioner Cabinet Meeting*

This area leadership huddle is an opportunity for council key 3 members to confer and share best practices.

**DCS 621** *District and Council Fundraising*

In this seminar, participants will learn what strategies work for council fundraising, how to solicit gifts from diverse giving communities, and how to pursue large, enterprise-level gifts from companies and philanthropies. Special focus will be given to building endowment.

**CED 713** *Scouts BSA Advancement for Scouts with Special Needs*

Scouting provides special methods to make the program accessible for scouts with disabilities and special needs. This class will teach you more about how and why that works.

# Period 6: 2:45 pm – 3:35 pm

**Train Trainer (con't)** *Train the Trainer (continued from period 1)*

**BCS 106** *Coaching Leaders*

In this course a commissioner will become familiar with the new Coaching Model and how to use it to better serve their units.

**BCS 116** *Collaborative Assessments*

At the end of this training a commissioner will be able to, understand the importance of the Collaborative Assessment, develop and Utilize a Unit Service Plan, and assess and record results of the USP in Commissioner Tools

**UOS/BCS 276** *Webelos to Scout Transition*

This class will teach how to help your AOLs in crossing the bridge to Scouts BSA.

**UOS/BCS 285** *Fundamentals of Lashings and Whipping Rope*

In this class we will teach the fundamentals of lashings and whipping rope.

**UOS/BCS 289** *Where to Go Camping*

This class teaches ideas on where to camp in SoCal with your scouts.

**MCS 302** *On-Time Charter Renewal*

This session explores leadership techniques to prepare, guide, and support units in completing accurate charter renewal applications on-time.

**MCS 304** *Commissioner Service For Units At Risk*

In this course indicators of units at risk, approaches for investigating units reported to be at risk and resolving the issues that have put the unit at risk are discussed.

**MCS 307** *Commissioner Service for Newly Formed Units*

In this course, a commissioner will learn the role of a new-unit commissioner and become familiar with working side by side with a new unit organizer.

**MCS 313** *Onboarding New Commissioners*

Explain why we onboard commissioners, discuss what is included in onboarding process review the onboarding process for new commissioners.

**MCS 324** *Preventing Commissioner Burnout*

How many of you have at one time or another thought, “I can’t do this Scouting one more day. I’m sick of it”? We all have those feelings from time to time. Whether we work with a unit or on the Commissioner staff, we have to be ready to face the reality that everyone gets burned out with Scouting at one time or another. This course will look at some ways we can help overcome those burnout situations and motivate ourselves and others toward better tenure in the BSA.

**MCS 460** *Scoutbook Laboratory*

Come and see Scoutbook in action! We will demonstrate aspects of the functionality of Scoutbook. Come with your questions and issues.

**DCS 514** *The Commissioner and the Professional*

This course has similar content to 314, but is presented at the level of district key 3.

**MCS 423** *Online Registration*

Learn everything about managing membership registration online. From managing beascout.org, to getting leads, and sending and approving applications, find out how your units can be more efficient with new member registration.

**CED 899** *Meet the Man: Jay Rosenlieb*

Area 4 president Jay Roseblieb will review details of the national bankruptcy filing and answer questions for any interested participants.

# Period 4: 3:45 pm – 4:15 pm

**MCS 499a** *GLAAC Leadership Huddle*

This council leadership huddle is an opportunity for all of the council's participants in today's college to enjoy a time of reflection and recognition with their council commissioner.

**MCS 499b** *WLACC Leadership Huddle*

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**MCS 499c** *SSC Leadership Huddle*

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**MCS 499d** *VCC Leadership Huddle*

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**MCS 499e** *LPC Leadership Huddle*

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**MCS 499f** *CIEC Leadership Huddle*

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**MCS 499g** *OCC Leadership Huddle*

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**MCS 499h** *LBAC Leadership Huddle*

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**MCS 499i** *VHC Leadership Huddle* Room 300

Session Chair: Arto Kazarians Instructor: Arto Kazarians

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**MCS 499j** *SDIC Leadership Huddle* Room 103

Session Chair: Robby Wright Instructor: Robby Wright

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