



ADVANCED BACKPACKING

For adults and youth (14+ years old or 13+ with completion of 8th grade, & 1st class or above)



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To receive a High Adventure Blue Card, you must show current proof of:

- Current Registered Scouter with BSA
- Youth protection training
- Hazardous Weather Training

Available ONLINE at

<https://my.scouting.org>

Saturday & Sunday, June 20th-21st, 2026

- When:** Saturday June 20th (8 am) thru Sunday June 21st (approx. 1 pm), 2026.
- Where:** Bear Lake, near Pinecrest California. Location may change due to snow level.
- Who:** Adult leaders, youth (14+ years old or 13+ with completion of 8th grade, & 1st class or above). Scouts must be accompanied by a specified adult leader at a ratio of 1 adult for every 3 youth. **Please see the "Greater Yosemite Council High Adventure Team Code of Conduct" for clarification.**
- Cost:** **\$40.00** (\$45.00 after Saturday, June 13th, 2026).
- Numbers:** There must be at least 6 participants registered by June 13th. Class size limited to 12 individuals.
- Includes:** Dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. Participants need to supply their own snacks and lunch. Wilderness permit provided.
- Bring:** Backpack – fully loaded. You are going on a weekend backpacking trip. Certificate of online training for trek safely/ weather hazard/youth protection.
- Payment:** Payment can be made online at the time of registration or to avoid the convenience fee you may walk, mail or call in your payment to the Council Office:

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The course objective is to practice what you learned in the BASIC BACKPACKING AWARENESS course. Develop back-country competency and proficiency among Scout Leaders and older Scouts for leading treks. The emphasis is on developing an awareness of backpacking and wilderness skills so that wilderness travel can be conducted in a safe and environmentally responsible manner. The training is designed for all registered Scouters (Adult Leaders) and Senior Scouts (14+ years old or 13+ with completion of 8th grade, & 1st class or above). The clinic is an overnight practical exercise in the field. The objective is for the student to become aware of the broad range of challenges and responsibilities facing trek leaders in BSA and to feel comfortable in fulfilling a leadership role.



Directions:

Crab Tree Trailhead-From Hwy 99
Head east on hwy. 108/120, stay on hwy. 108 until you almost reach Pinecrest. Make a right turn onto Crabtree Rd. Follow signs to trailhead for Bear Lake. Friday night camping at Crabtree Trailhead Campground available at no cost.

To register for any training, please read below:

- **REGISTER EARLY** ~ our volunteer instructors need time to prepare. *Please remember that **A Scout is Courteous!***
- **REGISTER ONLINE** at www.yosemitescouting.org
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- **BE PREPARED** ~ Complete online training prior to other trainings: <https://my.scouting.org> > Home > My Dashboard > Training Center
 - Youth Protection, current (required for all)**
 - Completion of California AB 506 Training (required for adults)**
 - Hazards Weather, current (required for all)**
 - Abide by the HAT Code of conduct**
- **BRING** ~ Something to write with and on, eating and drinking utensils, and an attitude ready to LEARN!
- For more information, please contact Course Director James Jones: feral2to4@sbcglobal.net/(209) 329-5018