

THE NEXT STEP 2016



**Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader.
Every Parent Should Know the Basics of Scouting.**

What's *your* "Next Step?"

Are you the parent of a Scout, a Tiger den leader, an assistant Scoutmaster,
a merit badge counselor, a district commissioner?

Do you have another position in Scouting?

Develop the tools you need to have exciting meetings and events.

If this is your "first step" in Scout training
or if you are an experienced Scouter,
take your "Next STEP" on November 12, 2016.



Choose from a wide variety of classes!



The Next STEP

Scouting's Training & Enhanced Program

Blackhawk Area Council
Saturday, November 12, 2016

Held at:
Pecatonica High School
1300 Main Street
Pecatonica, IL 61063

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 10, 2016



The Next STEP is a single day training event designed to help you improve your knowledge about many areas of the Boy Scouts of America and its programs. This event is packed with fun, ideas, and fellowship. We hope that you take this opportunity to meet and share ideas with other Scouters from all over our council and beyond. This is a once a year chance to meet up with old friends, make new friends, and get energized about Scouting!

Early registration is recommended as some classes will have a limited class size.

We will do our very best to keep our schedule as printed, however, class limitations and circumstances beyond our control, may make it necessary to reschedule or cancel a class.

Schedule for Saturday, November 12, 2016:

Registration Opens: 7:15 AM
Opening Ceremony: 8:00 AM
First Class Begins: 8:45 AM
Last Session Ends: 5:00 PM

Logistics:

Please plan on arriving well in advance of the Opening Ceremony. All participants and staff will need to check in at the registration area to pick up their class schedule, map, and other necessary information.

What to Wear:

All adult and youth should wear their official field uniform.

What to Bring:

- Bring a pen and paper for notes and a folder or bag to hold handouts.
- Lunch is provided. If you have unique dietary needs, you may need to provide your own lunch (we will do our best to serve you, but be aware that we may not be able to accommodate every dietary need – sorry!).
- A positive attitude, open to learning new things and having fun!

Registration for The Next STEP:

Pre-registration is required for this event. Registration is to be completed at www.blackhawkscouting.org. There, you will find a link to the information page for The Next STEP and a link to register via the DoubleKnot registration system.

Fees: Registration fees include lunch, patch, and program materials. Payment is required when registering.

Register by 10/31/16 = \$15.00

Register 11/1/16 – 11/10/16 = \$20.00

A single person may register multiple attendees at the same time. The following information is needed for each participant: Name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone number, e-mail address, unit type (pack/troop/crew) and number, Scouting position (ex: den leader, den chief, Scoutmaster, etc.), district, council, and any food allergies. Note: When registering youth, please use a parent's e-mail address, not the youth's.

For each participant, select one session from each period. When selecting sessions, period 1 classes should start with the number 1, period 2 classes should start with the number 2, period 3 classes should start with the number 3, etc.

Changes to registration (classes selection or participant name) may be made through 11/7/16. If a class is cancelled or filled, we will contact you via e-mail so that you may change your class selection. For persons registering between 11/8/16 and 11/10/16, we will select an alternate session for you, if needed.

Once you have completed your registration on line, you will be able to print a confirmation that you have completed the process. It is recommended that you bring a printed copy of your registration to the event.

Payment is required at time of registration. Fees are **not** refundable, but are transferable to another person.

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Sign up early to ensure your choice of sessions!

If you have any questions about The Next STEP, please send an e-mail to: gail.scouts@yahoo.com.

See you on November 12, 2016!