

PUSHMATAHA AREA COUNCIL YOUTH PROTECTION GUIDELINE TRAINING POLICY

Introduction

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) is dedicated to creating a safe environment for its youth members. BSA's Youth Protection Training (YPT) provides adult leaders with training, tools and resources to protect BSA's youth members. BSA requires all BSA registered adult volunteers to take YPT. The Pushmataha Area Council (PAC) shares this commitment to youth protection training. Consistent with BSA policy, PAC requires all its registered adult volunteers to take YPT and keep their YPT current at all times. Accordingly, PAC has adopted the following YPT policy:

New Adult Registrations

New adult registrations will not be accepted without a copy of a current YPT certificate.

Current Registered Leaders

All BSA registered volunteers must keep their YPT current. A BSA registered volunteer whose YPT expires shall have 30 days to renew his or her YPT and present verification of such renewal to PAC. YPT may be verified by the adult's online BSA training record or submission of a current YPT certificate. If the volunteer does not submit verification to PAC of the renewal of his/her YPT within 30 days from expiration of his or her YPT, that volunteer's BSA registration may be suspended. PAC shall provide notice of the suspension to the volunteer's unit leader and chartering organization. The volunteer's BSA registration shall be reinstated when the volunteer provides verification of current YPT to PAC.

YPT for every adult volunteer associated with a unit must be current on the date of a unit's recharter application. The unit's recharter application includes each volunteer's YPT completion date. Any volunteer with an expired YPT completion date may be dropped from the unit's recharter application

Any merit badge counselor who does not comply with these YPT policies shall not be permitted to counsel any scout. PAC and every district and unit therein shall remove that individual from all merit badge counselor lists.

Status Reports

PAC shall provide the YPT status for each registered volunteer to the Council Key 3, the VP of Program, and the Council Training Chair upon request.