

## **Junior Leaders Backpack Training 2026**

- PURPOSE:** Acquaint Scouts, Venturers and their adult leaders, with a basic understanding of how to plan and conduct a backpacking trip.  
Give them information that they can use to teach other Scouts and Venturers safe and effective outdoor outings.  
Stimulate their participation and leadership in a High Adventure Program.
- DATE:** Saturday 7 March 2026  
Weekend trip in local mountains TBD led by the GLAAC-HAT
- TIME:** 8:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m. (bring sack lunch)
- LOCATION:** Seminar: Cushman Watt Scout Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles  
Weekend Outing: to be announced.
- COST:** \$15.00 per Scout, Venturer or Adult by 28 February 2026. If fewer than five sign ups are made prior to that date a cancellation notice will be sent. Otherwise a confirmation will be sent after that date.
- REGISTRATION:** **Online registration** with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. For help with registration contact Hannibal Sullivan, Community Engagement Coordinator (SR) and HAT Advisor at (213) 413-4400 or email [Hannibal.Sullivan@scouting.org](mailto:Hannibal.Sullivan@scouting.org).
- EQUIPMENT:** Paper and pencil, and lunch for seminar.  
Each Scout and Venturer is responsible for obtaining the clothing, equipment, and food for the weekend trip.
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 20 students
- OVERVIEW:** This High Adventure training is designed to be taken together as an adult leader (Scouter) and the Scout leaders in a troop/crew. It will cover  
Basic backpacking skills  
equipment and clothing  
food and cooking  
mountain navigation and travel  
outdoor courtesy, planning and preparation  
risk and safety  
weather and climate
- REQUIREMENTS:** An Adult Leader who has completed the class room session of Adult Leader Backpack Training is required to participate in class room and field outing. Scouts and Venturers must be 14 years old and have attained the rank of First Class or the Venturer equivalent. The Adult leader will be responsible for their own and their Scout's Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C). These requirements will be verified by the Hike Leader before the Adult and Scouts or Venturers are allowed to participate on the overnight trip
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** An adult and five Scouts or Venturers per Unit is permitted.
- QUESTIONS:** Steve Chow, [Nazoomzoom@gmail.com](mailto:Nazoomzoom@gmail.com) / (626) 379-8160 and Nancy Szeto-Ko, [3kokids@gmail.com](mailto:3kokids@gmail.com) / (626) 975-8189.



Camping and hiking are fun. Developing the skills and learning safe and courteous practices are a necessary part of these activities. This most effectively occurs when it is the Scout lead Unit that provides the instruction.

While the emphasis is on backpacking, it is generally applicable to all types of outdoor activity.

A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

Hike Aid 3, "Full Dimension High Adventure Training", has a complete discussion of the training programs of the GLAAC-HAT. It may be downloaded from the Council High Adventure website at <http://glaac-hat.org/HikeAids.html>. Questions about any of them are to be directed to Michael Schlaifer; Vice Chair Training: (213)247-8808 (C); e-mail, [michael@schlaifer.com](mailto:michael@schlaifer.com).