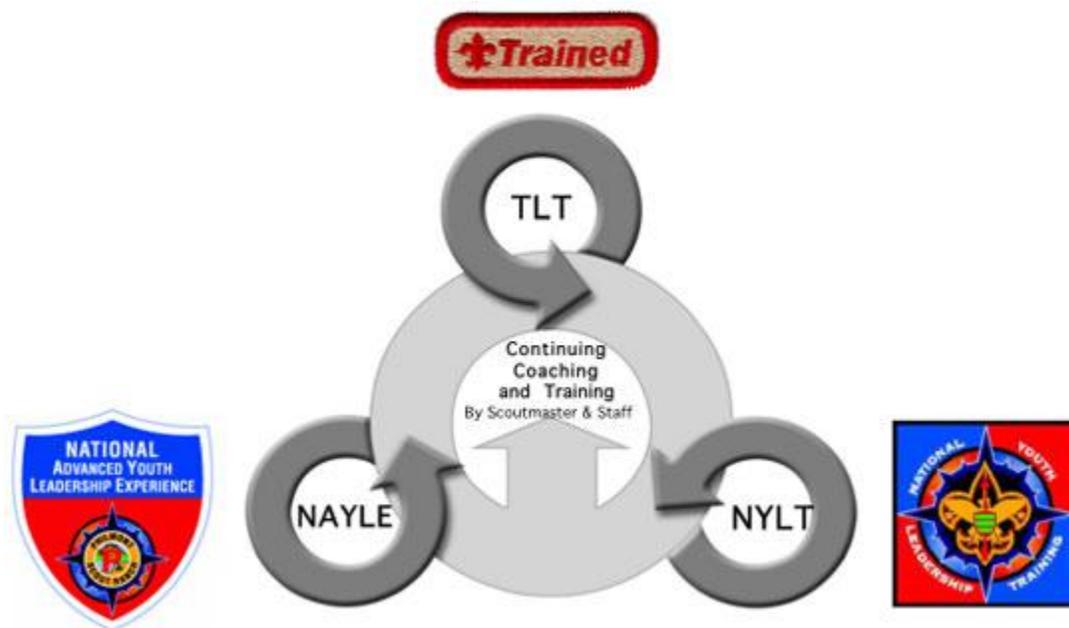


The Youth Leadership Training Continuum

A Fact Sheet for Scout Leaders and Parents in the Great Rivers Council



What is Troop Leadership Training (TLT)?

This is easy and helps troop be successful. TLT is the leadership training given primarily by the Scoutmaster and the senior patrol leader to all the youth leaders in their troop. ALL Boy Scout troops should conduct the TLT course with every leadership change. The course has three one-hour modules that can be presented as individual one-hour sessions or as a combined three-hour block. The Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader share their vision of success for the troop, inform leaders of their roles and responsibilities, and discuss the principles and functioning of a youth-led troop.

What is the Great Rivers Council National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)?

This course is a blast! The Great Rivers Council NYLT course models a month in the life of a troop. It is a six-day course held at a council camp. Scouts learn about a toolbox of leadership skills and the concept of servant leadership. The course has many challenges and fun activities for participants, including outdoor cooking skills, team games, a geocaching activity, water rockets, movie night, three model troop meetings, and an overnight Leave-No-Trace style outpost camp. Participants develop their own personal vision statement and their patrol presents a brief presentation about their quest for the meaning of leadership to the entire NYLT troop. There are eight key elements in the course: a month in the life of a model troop; four stages of team development; leadership requires vision, goals, and plans; a toolbox of leadership skills; consistent leadership modeling; the Scout Oath and Law; having fun; and traditions.

What is the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE)?

Learning to be a servant leader in a really cool and life-changing place. The mission of the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) is to provide Scouts with a Philmont-based wilderness encounter that motivates them to follow a life of helping others succeed based on the values expressed in the Scout Oath and Law. The Scouts experience high-adventure activities like COPE, wilderness first aid, a high-level geocache hunt, a conservation project, Leave No Trace, and a search-and-rescue (SAR) activity. This is complemented by learning the history and inspiration of the Philmont Scout Ranch as well as a developing a personal journal that focuses on the Scout's leadership skills.