When: July 26 - 31, 2020   Where: Camp Decorah

Who: Registered Scouts who have attained First Class rank, and are 13 YEARS OLD by July 26, 2020, OR HAVE FINISHED 8TH GRADE, have mastered First Class camping skills, and are ready to be away from home for a week and engage with the course. Completion of Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST) within the troop is strongly recommended. - Scoutmaster permission/signature is required.

Registered Venture Scouts. Completion of Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews (ILSC) within the Crew is strongly recommended. Crew Advisor permission/signature required. Female Venture Scouts are welcome. At least one female staff will be present at all times and appropriate accommodations are made for female participants.

Scouts from out of council are welcome!!

registration fee: $250.00 / scout
$220.00 / scout if registered by June 1, 2020.

Please visit https://www.gatewayscouting.org/NYLT-Info to register.

Additional course info will be emailed to participants roughly 2 weeks prior to the course and will also be posted on the Council website.

For questions or more information please contact:
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More information below:
National Youth Leadership Training is the pinnacle of Boy Scout training for youth. Every Troop and Crew deserves a Senior Patrol Leader that is trained and prepared for the responsibilities he or she faces. The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must BE, what a leader must KNOW, and what a leader must DO. The key elements are taught with a strong emphasis on HOW TO. The skills come alive during the week as each new patrol embarks on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership.

The skills of visualizing success, setting goals to accomplish that vision, and developing a plan to get there are core to the leader’s role. Other key course elements include leading yourself, communicating well, developing a team, applying a leadership style that fits the team’s stage of development, conflict resolution and teaching skills to others. Sessions on problem solving, making ethical decisions and valuing people further add elements to a leader’s toolbox. A special emphasis on servant leadership is infused throughout.

Through activities, presentations, challenges, discussions, and audiovisual support, NYLT participants will be engaged in a unified approach to leadership that will give them the skills and confidence to lead well. NYLT participants discover that leading themselves and leading others requires a vision – a picture of future success. Each patrol will develop a patrol vision for the course, and each individual will prepare his or her own personal vision. A constant refrain of NYLT is "if you can see it, you can be it." Through presentations and positive experiences in goal setting, planning, and problem solving, participants learn how to set a clear course toward realizing their team and individual visions, and then how to put themselves in the center of those pictures of future success. A variety of activities and challenges provide opportunities to have fun and build relationships with other participants while internalizing application of the tools.

Please consider and promote this advanced troop leadership training to all eligible scouts and/or their parents!

Thank you!
- the 2020 Gateway Area Council NYLT Staff.