

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

- 1. What is Powder Horn?** Powder Horn is a resource course designed to introduce youth and adult leaders to fun and challenging outdoor/high-adventure program possibilities for their unit. It complements the training-based Wood Badge and NYLT courses in delivering the promise of scouting adventure at the unit level.
- 2. When is Powder Horn?** The course spans two weekends in September. The first weekend begins Friday evening Sept 6th and ends Sunday afternoon Sept 8th. The second weekend begins Friday morning Sept 20th and ends Sunday afternoon Sept 22nd.
- 3. Who can attend Powder Horn?** Youth 14 or older (or Venturing crew member 13 y.o. and completed 8th grade) and all adults registered in the BSA. Youth must have completed leadership training for their unit type (Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops/Crews – ILST, ILSC). Prior NYLT training is highly recommended to enable youth to bring the program back to the unit. Adult mentors are highly encouraged to attend Powder Horn as well.
- 4. Are scholarships available?** Yes, contact the Course Director. Contact information at [www.texaspowderhorn.rocks](http://www.texaspowderhorn.rocks). Richard Lai, [ctxscouter@gmail.com](mailto:ctxscouter@gmail.com), 512-228-0271
- 5. Is there a letter or note I can show my son/daughter's school to help excuse their absence from school?** Yes, we have a letter we can email you that can be customized for your son/daughter. It explains the purpose of the course and has the contact information for the Course Director in the event of any questions.
- 6. I have a conflict for part of the course. Can I still participate in the course and graduate?** Yes – that is possible. Contact the Course Director to discuss your situation. Contact information at [www.texaspowderhorn.rocks](http://www.texaspowderhorn.rocks). Richard Lai, [ctxscouter@gmail.com](mailto:ctxscouter@gmail.com), 512-228-0271
- 7. How much does the course cost?** Register by July 1<sup>st</sup> to get the \$250 “early bird” registration fee. After July 1<sup>st</sup>, the cost will be \$300.
- 8. Can I get a schedule of the events for the course?** We coordinate schedules with a multitude of consultants to provide the most fun and diverse adventure opportunities possible. As such, schedules are dynamic and change frequently. Rest assured we are working to provide the best experience for you to take back to your unit.
- 9. Will my friend and I be together in the same crew?** The goal of the course is to help everyone grow their scouting network and gain exposure to diverse ideas and thoughts. You and your friend will have unique experiences to share with each other and your unit when you complete the course.
- 10. Are there any requirements after the course?** There are no requirements after the course. Preparation time is required ahead of the course to fully enjoy and explore all that the course has to offer. Requirements include a signed BSA health form good through the end of the course, a BSA swim test, and completion of several online training courses. Your crew guide will help you to prepare so you can enjoy the hands-on activities and instruction during the course!