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# Leave No Trace Master Educator Course



"As young people mature, we will enjoy an increasingly beautiful environment because of the impact of their training in Leave No Trace. We all must take responsibility for our decisions when we use the outdoors, and we should treat the environment with respect so future generations can enjoy the outdoors as we do today." - Teaching Leave No Trace (BSA No. 21-117)

This five-day course (split over two weekends) trains Scouters ages 18 and up to serve as Leave No Trace Master Educators who can conduct Leave No Trace Trainer courses (two-day) and awareness workshops (one-day or shorter).

This invaluable training is recognized and highly regarded throughout the world, especially by the outdoor industry, as well as government land management agencies. The Master Educator Course provides participants with a comprehensive training in Leave No Trace skills and ethics through practical application in a field-based setting. The first weekend is a mix of classroom and outdoor instruction, introducing the course and schedule, providing in-depth information on the overall Leave No Trace program, how to conduct training courses, and the science behind the Leave No Trace principles. The second weekend is spent in the field on a short backcountry trip, learning and practicing Leave No Trace skills and techniques hands-on. To practice Leave No Trace teaching strategies in a supportive, educational environment, each participant will teach a short session focused on the seven Leave No Trace principles.

- Prerequisite: Leave No Trace Trainer or approval from Council Outdoor Ethics Advocate
- Instructed by: Nationally-designated Leave No Trace Master Educator Instructors
- Participants receive: Leave No Trace Master Educator card from BSA, BSA Leave No Trace Master Educator Handbook, Leave No Trace Master Educator patch and lapel pin, a certificate from the Boy Scouts of America.

Cost \$ 290—Includes facilities fees, meals for both weekends, educational materials, and the LNT Center for Outdoor Ethics Membership fee. **Attendance at both weekends is required.** Campsite location, equipment list and other course details will be emailed out to all participants once registration is underway.

**Register at the [NCAC website](#). Registration deadline for the course is March 31, 2019.**

Contact Victor Bieniek for information at [vbieniek@gmail.com](mailto:vbieniek@gmail.com) or 703-855-8428 (cell)

<p><b>First Weekend</b> Friday, May 3, 2019, 6pm – Sunday, May 5, 1pm TBD – Northern Virginia</p>	<p><b>Second Weekend</b> Thursday, May 16, 2019, 3pm – Sunday, May 19, 2pm Backpacking at Elizabeth Furnace Recreation Area, Fort Valley, VA followed by Canoe Trip on Shenandoah River Near Shenandoah River State Park</p>
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