The NYLT Leadership Academy is the premier train-the-trainer course for youth staff of your council NYLT course. It trains your NYLT youth staff to be world-class presenters and leaders of their council's course. The Leadership Academy is the new generation of the National Junior Leader Instructor Course (NJLIC) previously offered at Philmont. The NYLT Leadership Academy is being held in Los Angeles, California, St. Louis, Missouri, and Washington, DC in 2018. The program is open to all councils nationwide.

Participants who take the Leadership Academy will be treated like the staffers that they are. Each will make five presentations to their patrol, be evaluated on those experiences while evaluating their fellow patrol members. This happens in a special place of mutual respect and learning. The Academy is not just an in-camp experience. One day is spent hiking to many of the historical places in Los Angeles, St. Louis or Washington, DC area. The Academy is definitely a life-changing, transformational experience for its participants.

NYLT Leadership Academy is developed to support local council NYLT staff. It is a direct descendant of the Youth Staff Development Course (YSDC), the National Junior Leader Instructor Camp (NJLIC), previously offered at Philmont and the train-the-trainer instructor courses originally delivered at Schiff Scout Reservation.
DID YOUR COUNCIL SEND YOUTH TO THE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY LAST YEAR?

Send four youth, and the fourth will receive a scholarship.

Send two youth, and the second will receive a scholarship.

Scholarships can be applied to youth attending different weeks, and locations.

WHAT'S THE COST?

$415 Per Participant

Includes Meals, Course T-Shirts (2), Water Bottle, and Lodging

PLEASE NOTE: Transportation is not included in the cost, but a shuttle service is provided from specific locations.

NYLT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY ALUMNI PERSPECTIVE

“I found the NYLT Leadership Academy to be a fantastic experience. It helped me gain skills in presentations and evaluating others that I can use at my home NYLT course and in my personal life in general. The week at Academy also helped me learn about the practices and methods of other NYLT courses in councils across the country. I will certainly take back all of the wonderful things I have learned and discovered to my home course to make it as fun and effective as possible for next summer’s participants.”

ZACHARY F.
WESTERN LOS ANGELES COUNCIL

WHY ATTEND LEADERSHIP ACADEMY?

The results of sending NYLT youth staff to this course have been:

- Better council NYLT courses.
- An increasing number of councils are holding more NYLT courses.
- More Scouts participating in NYLT. An even more far-reaching result has been an increase in Boy Scout membership retention, due to better youth leadership at the unit level.

COUNCIL NYLT COURSE DIRECTOR PERSPECTIVE

“I have seen a larger increase in skill and drive in my returning staff that have been through the NYLT Leadership Academy over my staff that haven’t had the advanced training. A very nice side benefit is those Scouts are staying up on the latest techniques and skills as well as what’s new in leadership training. My only regret is that I didn’t start sending some of my staff to the Leadership Academy sooner.”

JOHN DECKER
PACIFIC HARBORS COUNCIL

DO YOU PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION?

While transportation is not included in the cost, we do provide a shuttle service (uniformed volunteer) from the following locations.

LOS ANGELES, CA:
- Ontario International Airport
- Los Angeles Amtrak Union Station

ST. LOUIS, MO:
- Lambert Airport
- St. Louis Amtrak

WASHINGTON, DC:
- Baltimore/Washington International Airport (BWI)
- Metro: Branch Avenue
- Amtrak: New Carrollton, MD and BWI (unaccompanied minors)