

Pocono Outdoor Leadership Academy

The Pocono Outdoor Leadership Academy supports outdoor leaders and camp professionals through a series of conference and certification opportunities. The instructors and presenters come from national associations and are recognized experts in their fields.

These opportunities are being hosted at **Camp Speers YMCA in the Poconos**, a summer camp and outdoor education center on Lake Nichecronk in Dingmans Ferry, Pennsylvania. Hearty meals and accommodations are available in our rustic cabins and spacious dining hall for an additional cost.

2017 Course Offerings



Archery Instructor Certification (Level 1)

Course led by USA Archery instructor. The Level 1 Archery Instructor Certification Course is a 1-day course that provides graduates the necessary tools to maintain a high level of safety both on and off the archery range and ensures that minimum standards for archery instruction are consistently taught to provide for the safety and enjoyment of the participants, instructors, and spectators. Level 1 Instructors are well prepared to teach beginner archery programs to people of all ages and abilities in a variety of both indoor and outdoor settings in the disciplines of target, field, or 3-D archery. The Level 1 Instructor will learn about range safety, range setup, the steps of shooting, equipment and repair, programs, and lesson plans. The registration fee includes a package of course materials. For more information, please visit www.usarchery.org

May 22/June 12 (9am – 5pm)

Course Tuition: \$110



Canoe Instructor Certification (Level 1 and Level 2)

Course led by American Canoe Association (ACA) instructor. This is a 3-day course combining Level 1 (*Introduction to Canoeing/2 days*) & Level 2 (*Essentials of River Canoeing/1 day*). Candidates are expected to come prepared to teach and have fun learning about teaching and paddling. The instructor certification process is divided into 2 sections: The Instructor Development Workshop and the Instructor Certification Exam. You are required to attend both sections in order to fulfill the time requirements for your certification. Taking the Instructor Certification Exam does not guarantee certification. For more information, including specifics on each course, please visit www.americancanoe.org or www.americancanoe.org/?page=Courses_Canoeing

May 15-17/June 11-13 (9am - 5pm)

Course Tuition: \$425

CPR/AED/First Aid Certification

Course led by American Red Cross instructor. In this 1-day program, you will learn to respond to cardiac, breathing, and first aid emergencies. For more information, please visit www.redcross.org/

June 15 (8am – 2pm)

Course Tuition: \$110



Leave No Trace Master Educator Certification

Course led by Leave No Tracer instructor. This 5-day Master Course provides participants with a comprehensive overview of Leave No Trace skills and ethics through practical application in a field-based setting. There is a minimum age of 18 to participate in this course at this location. For more information, please go to the following link: http://www.outdoors.org/skills-leadership/leave-no-trace/index.cfm?utm_source=google-grant&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=Outdoor%20Leadership&gclid=CPaLga2txdICFudYDQod_pMJwA

May 22-26 (starts at 9am on 1st day – ends at approximately 3pm on last day)

Course Tuition: \$500

Lodging & Meals: Included in tuition price during course time

Lifeguarding Certification

Course led by American Red Cross instructor. In this 3-day course, learn preventative and emergency response skills for pool and waterfront. Strong swimming skills required. Earn a two-year certification in lifeguarding and first aid and a one-year certification in CPR for the professional rescuer with AED. For more information, please visit www.redcross.org/take-a-class/lifeguarding

June 12-14 (8am – 6:30pm)
Course Tuition: \$450



Lifeguarding/Waterfront Review (Recertification)

Course led by American Red Cross instructor. This course briefly reviews course information and allows practice of skills and knowledge before testing. Current certification in Red Cross Lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED is required to participate in the review course. Students who successfully complete this course will receive a certificate for Lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED which is valid for 2 years. For more information, please visit <http://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/lifeguarding/lifeguard-training/lifeguard-recertification>

June 12 (June 14 Testing) (8am – 6:30pm)
Course Tuition: \$300

NRA Basic Range Safety Officer Certification

Course led by National Rifle Association (NRA) instructor. The 1-day NRA Range Safety Officer program was developed in response to the demand for a nationally-recognized range safety officer certification. NRA Range Safety Officers are people who possess the knowledge, skills, and attitude essential to organizing, conducting, and supervising safe shooting activities and range operations. For more information, please visit <http://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseCatalog.aspx>

June 15 (9am – 5pm)
Course Tuition: \$175



NRA First Steps Rifle Certification

Course led by National Rifle Association (NRA) instructor. This 1-day program is a pre-requisite for certifying as an NRA Rifle Instructor and is designed to provide a hands-on introduction to the safe handling and proper orientation to one specific rifle action type for classes of four or fewer students. For more information, please visit <http://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseCatalog.aspx>

June 16 (9am – 6pm)
Course Tuition: \$150

NRA Rifle Instructor Certification

Course led by National Rifle Association (NRA) instructor. This 2-day NRA certification course trains riflery instructors to teach rifle marksmanship and safely operate a camp riflery range. The 1-day NRA First Steps Rifle program is required as a pre-requisite in order to be certified as a Rifle Instructor. The full three days is recommended for staff operating a range at a summer camp. For more information, please visit <http://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseCatalog.aspx>

June 17-18 (8am – 6pm)
Course Tuition: \$250

Outdoor Leadership and Facilitation Skills for Group Leaders

Course led by Power of Positive (POP) Leadership instructor. This program is designed to assist leaders in putting their participants at ease and to maximize their processing, learning and experience in a group setting. Learn what makes a skilled facilitator, and practice the skills that make progress easier in this experiential program. For more information, please visit <http://www.popleadership.com/>

April 24/May 11/June 12 (1pm – 4pm)
Course Tuition: \$65

Teen Leadership Program Development Training

Course led by Power of Positive (POP) Leadership instructor. This program helps to maximize clubs, camps, counselor-in-training (CIT), and travel programs by incorporating leadership development opportunities or to create new programs with those specific goals. One can gain skills and knowledge to create a solid foundation for building strong teen leadership development programs. For more information, please visit

<http://www.popleadership.com/>

May 19/Sept 29 (10am – 6pm)

Course Tuition: \$150



Sailing Counselor Course

Course led by US Sailing instructor. This is a 2-day course designed to prepare camp counselors and staff for community sailing and scouting programs to supervise small boat recreational sailing activities typically conducted on sheltered and protected waters. Registration must be done through US Sailing. For more information, including requirements for this course, please visit <http://www.ussailing.org/education/sbinstructor/sailing-counselor/> or www.ussailing.org

June 11-12 (8am – 6pm)

Registration link: <http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13223110>

Small Boat Sailing Instructor Certification (Level 1)

Course led by US Sailing instructor. This is a 4-day course designed to provide sailing instructors with information on how to teach more safely, effectively and creatively. The goal of the program is to produce highly qualified instructors, thereby reducing risk exposure for sailing programs. Registration must be done through US Sailing. For more information, including requirements for this course: <http://www.ussailing.org/education/sbinstructor/level-1-instructor/> or www.ussailing.org

June 13-16 (8am – 6pm)

Registration link: <http://www1.ussailing.org/enrollment/selectregistrant.aspx?courseid=13223109>



Small Craft Safety Instructor Certification

Course led by American Red Cross instructor. This 2-day program was designed to meet the need of camps and other organizations that conduct small craft activities. The Small Craft Safety program contains a core lesson and five small craft safety training components. One or more of the components must link with the core lesson to successfully complete the Small Craft Safety course. This program includes five basic course options and corresponding challenges. For more information visit, www.redcross.org/take-a-class/swimming

June 13-14 (8am – 6pm)

Course Tuition: \$300

Water Safety Instructor Certification (WSI)

Course led by American Red Cross instructor. This 2-day course certifies you as a Red Cross instructor to teach children Red Cross and adults to swim, including the fundamentals of instructor training. For more information, please visit www.redcross.org/take-a-class/swimming/water-safety/water-safety-instructor-certification

June 17-18 (8am – 6pm)

Course Tuition: \$425



Wilderness First Aid Certification

Course led by SOLO instructor. In this 2-day course, learn basic first aid assessment and care protocols. Two-year certification satisfies American Camp Association requirements for leaders of overnight camping trips. Useful to guides, scout leaders, and anyone who enjoys outdoor recreation. For more information, please visit

www.soloschools.com

April 22-23/May 13-14/June 10-11/August 28-29/Sept 30-Oct 1 (9am – 6pm)

Course Tuition: \$215

Wilderness First Responder Certification

Course led by SOLO instructor. The Wilderness First Responder (WFR) is a 9-day course that is the recognized industry standard for those who work as backcountry trip leaders, camp counselors, mountain guides, river guides, and ski patrollers. Study includes response and assessment, musculoskeletal injuries, environmental emergencies and survival skills, soft tissue injuries and medical emergencies. More advanced than Wilderness First Aid. For more information, please visit www.soloschools.com

September 11-19 (9am – 6pm)

Course Tuition: \$695 – Lodging & Meals: \$30 per day/night for this course

Lodging and Meals Available

Lodging Only: \$30 per night

Lodging & Meals: \$50 per day/night

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