

C.O.P.E. INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

(Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience) is a national program of Scouting America. The program is composed of group initiative games, trust events, low course events, and high course events. Some activities involve a group challenge, while others develop individual skills and agility. Participants climb, swing, balance, jump, rappel, and devise solutions to a variety of problems. Most participants achieve much more than they imagined they could. COPE Instructors are required to perform physically demanding tasks on occasion. Being in relatively good shape is a requirement.

WHERE: PRICE SANDERS SCOUT RESERVATION 38751 Bermont Rd. Punta Gorda, FL 33982

WHEN: August 22 – 24, 2025 September 19 – 21, 2025 CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 7:00 PM REGISTRATION DEADLINE AUGUST 18, 2025. MUST ATTEND BOTH WEEKENDS TO BECOME CERTIFIED.

- WHO: ADULTS, SCOUTS BSA MEMBERS AND VENTURERS 16 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER MAY PARTICIPATE REGISTRATION WILL BE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 20 PARTICIPANTS. MUST PROVIDE A COMPLETE BSA HEALTH & MEDICAL RECORD (PARTS A & B) PRIOR TO THE START OF TRAINING.
- COST: \$85 PER ADULT/SCOUTS BSA MEMBER/VENTURER. FEE INCLUDES PROGRAM SUPPLIES AND ONE INSTRUCTOR SHIRT. PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNCIL OFFICE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 20, 2025 OR A \$25 PER PERSON LATE FEE WILL BE ASSESSED.

QUESTIONS: CONTACT GENE MCMULLEN, COUNCIL COPE & CLIMBING CHAIR (GMNFMFD@GMAIL.COM)

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Event Cancellation Policy: Once registration fees have been paid, an individual may become ill or otherwise be unable to attend an event. As the event has already incurred expenses related to the activity such as program supplies, insurance, food, patches, etc., event fees are non-refundable & non-transferable. You may request a refund by submitting it in writing to the Southwest Florida Council Office by the individual no less than 72 hours before the date of the event. In most cases, only a partial refund can be made. **Refunds for inclement weather will be made only if the event is cancelled**. No refunds will be given on the Event Processing Fee.