

Trail to First Class & Paul Bunyan Award Information**2023****Fee:** \$40.00 per person**Check In:** 7:30-8:30 Saturday April 29th & Saturday May 6th**Check Out:** 5:15pm Saturday**Documents:** Scouts must bring a part A, B1 & B2 medical form to carry with them throughout the day.**Food:** Food will not be provided during the day. Scouts must bring their own lunch/snacks. Coffee and Hot Chocolate will be available in the lodge throughout the day.**Unit Camping:** Units are encouraged to rent a cabin starting Friday evening and checking out Saturday evening or Sunday morning. The cabin rental is separate from the Trail to First Class program. **Units should request a cabin rental by contacting the Camping Department.** (No tent camping during this event). Units are responsible for all their own food and equipment. Firewood is available at camp for campfires.**Trail to First Class:** The spring is an excellent time of year to help new scouts who have just joined your unit have their first outdoor experience, while also accomplishing a large chunk of their Trail to First Class rank requirements. Our staff has put together a day of fun and learning for scouts to attend in the beautiful Cascade Mountains at Camp Sheppard! Scouts will be able to choose their own path and work on advancements they find most interesting throughout the day (not restricted to a rotation group). See the attached advancement schedule to see a full list of offerings at this day of fun in the out-of-doors!**The Paul Bunyan Award:** For older scouts the Camp Sheppard staff has a special opportunity! The Paul Bunyan Award is a conservation and skill-based award for scouts who learn to perform woods tools work, while also doing service on trails or in other natural settings. During the day scouts will both earn and help other scouts earn the Totin' Chit, will learn to use tools specific to trail building, and do a service project with the National Forest Service to help clear and preserve much-used trail near Camp Sheppard! If you're an older scout and are looking for an award that will challenge and excite you, this is the perfect opportunity! Camp Sheppard is proud to partner with the National Forest Service to provide this program and support our community!**Advancement:** Scout will leave camp with a passport signed by staff members for classes they attend and work they did. Chief Seattle camps do not sign off scout handbooks as final assessment should be done by the unit.**What to bring:** We encourage scouts to bring a **note pad and pencil**, as well as their **10 essentials** in a day pack. These will be imperative to their success during the day. Hiking boots or comfortable shoes are encouraged as well. Bringing a cell phone or camera to photograph projects or signs of plants and animals can also be beneficial.