



VENTUREQUEST 2017

Venturers and Crew leaders from seven different districts in Mid-America Council came to Camp Cedars to participate in VentureQuest 2017. Mountaineering, paddle boarding and adventure races were just a few of the activities Venturers had the opportunity to try over the weekend of July 7-9th. Split into teams, 22 young men and women bonded during COPE games, discussing why they joined their Crews and why they have stayed. They learned about the Venturing advancement program, training and the Venturing Officers Association. Venture glowed in the dark on the flying squirrel as they flew in the air and laughs all around. Keep your eyes open for details of VentureQuest 2018, you won't want to miss it!

UPCOMING YOUTH TRAINING

Intro to Leadership Skills for Crews (ILSC), July 16th 9am-4pm
Camp Cedars

Intro to leadership Skills for Crews (ILSC) Sept. 30th 9am-4pm
Norfolk, NE -TBD

MID-AMERICA COUNCIL VENTURING

Venturing Officer Association (VOA)

What is a VOA? The purpose is to provide support and guidance to maintain and grow the Venturing program. VOAs collaborate with other committees in providing training for Venturers and Advisors, programming for crews, and monthly or quarterly forums to bring together youth and Advisors. A team of officers (youth president and vice presidents for administration, program, and communication), supported by an Advisor, keeps the VOA organized. This forum provides a voice for youth to help strengthen the Venturing program. A VOA holds several meetings during the year and hosts a few events that help to bring the crews, districts, councils, or areas together. Each event may have a different goal: training, adventure, recognition, fun—or all of the above. If you are interested in being a part of the Mid-America Council VOA, apply at www.venturing.org/assets/officer-application-2017 and submit to Kara Dacey at Kara.Dacey@Scouting.org. no later than Sept. 30th.

Are you a Trained Leader?

To be “TRAINED” as a Venturing Leader and provide the best program for your youth, you need the following trainings. All leadership positions and youth+ scouts require YPT for Venturing. All of the trainings are available on My.Scouting.org except for IOLS which can be completed at summer camp or at a district training.

- Venturing Advisor Position Specific
- Intro to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS)
- Venturing Crew Committee Challenge
- Venturing Advisor Fast Start
- Venturing Crew Orientation
- Philmont Advisor Training (PAW) - optional

If you would like to have leadership training within your Crew, contact Kristina Ronfeldt, Venturing Trainer at VenturingMAC@gmail.com



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