



The Great Lakes Region will be hosting a Training Academy on September 29th and 30th, 2017 beginning at 7:00 Friday evening and concluding by 5:00 Saturday. Our host church for this event will be Connection Point Church located in West Lafayette, IN. West Lafayette is home to Purdue University and located approximately one hour north of Indianapolis and two hours south of Chicago, conveniently located just off Interstate 65.

The church's website is www.connectionpointchurch.org. The physical address is 2541 Cumberland Avenue. There are numerous hotels in the Lafayette/West Lafayette area, however the closest is a Four Points by Sheraton located just down the street from the church. If you would like to stay there and receive the church's discounted rate of \$89 per night, please contact Heather Halsema at 765.463.0956 or via e-mail at hhalsema@connectionpointchurch.org. Please do not contact the hotel directly.

Minimum qualifications (no exceptions) to attend all Training Academies are:

- Complete the Advanced Level of the Outpost Leader Advancement Level (OLAL)
- Read the Royal Rangers Leader Manual: Inspire the Journey
- Observe and/or assist at three separate training events (RB/RE or an RMA continuous learning elective)
- Be recommended by district/network director
- Score 95% or better on the TA open resource test (which must be accomplished prior to receiving teaching assignment)

The test must be taken and passed by August 31, 2017 in order to attend this Training Academy. You will receive your teaching assignment two weeks prior to the Training Academy. Once you have passed your test, you will receive your teaching assignment.

For questions, please contact Jim Allen, Great Lakes Region Coordinator at jimandrachel95@gmail.com or 765.404.8918.