



## **SCOUT OATH**

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

# **SCOUT LAW**

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

## **MISSION**

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

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# **SETTING A COURSE FOR ADVENTURE**

Scouts BSA is the traditional Scouting experience where youth ages 11-17 can have amazing adventures in the great outdoors, develop a love of service by volunteering in their community, boost leadership skills through fun and exciting challenges, and create memories of a lifetime!

Scouts BSA features single-gender troops (all boys or all girls), and activities are youth-led, meaning adults train youth members to assume leadership roles, and, with those skills, Scouts plan the program and carry it out themselves. Through these activities, they develop teamwork and learn to lead as well as follow.

For more than 100 years, our program has helped create generations of leaders and outstanding citizens by providing young people with the opportunity to explore their interests, serve their communities, and discover new talents through youth-led activities like hiking, camping, and volunteering!



# SCOUTING BUILDS CHARACTER AND INSTILLS VALUES FOR A LIFETIME

## **SERVICE**

Scouting builds leaders. Former Scouts serve on the boards of global corporations, walk the halls of the White House, and have been known to go hiking on the moon occasionally. Life lessons learned in Scouting will help all of its members make good decisions throughout life.

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

As leaders, Scouts are taught to listen carefully to the ideas of their peers, to be fair, flexible and organized, to follow up on assignments, delegate when necessary, be quick to encourage or praise for a job well done, to know when to ask for help, to accept criticism as a gift, and most of all, to have fun.

### **PERSONAL GROWTH**

The Scout slogan is Do a Good Turn Daily. That means doing something to help others each day without expecting anything in return. It implies that Scouts learn to do their part in caring for the community and the environment.



Advancement is the Scouts BSA method of promoting and encouraging ongoing involvement and commitment to keep youth engaged in the adventure! Scouts progress from rank to rank as they work their way up to Eagle Scout.

#### **MERIT BADGES**

Learn about sports, crafts, science, trades, business, and future careers as you earn merit badges. There are over 135 merit badges covering a variety of subjects. From archery and wilderness survival to environmental science and robotics to cooking and theater, there's something for everyone!

#### **EAGLE SCOUT**

The Eagle Scout award is the highest rank available. It is a prestigious and rewarding accomplishment known for the amount of work and dedication required to achieve it. Start your journey today!