



WHAT IS SCOUTING?

Scouting is a term that describes all of the programs provided by Scouting America for both boys and girls ages 5-20. Scouting teaches youth to confront any challenge with whole hearts and clear minds—to live their lives without regret, never back down, and do their very best! Through the Scouting America programs, Scouts learn a variety of skills that prepare them to confront challenges through their life.

How has Scouting made an impact on youth?



84%

Say it has helped them be more honest



74%

Say it has improved their ability to work with others



84%

Say it has helped them become stronger team players



70%

Say it has helped them better understand and sympathize with those less fortunate



Discovery is at the heart of Scouting. Whether it's a campout, derby car race, or hike on the trail, we believe every adventure helps us uncover a little more about ourselves. We build the foundations for humility and compassion—strengthening character through actions—to prepare youth for a lifetime of leadership.



Through fun yet challenging physical and mental activities, Scouting encourages personal growth by teaching youth how to set goals and achieve them with determination.



Scouting is something the whole family can experience together. We designed our program so that anyone—brothers, sisters, mothers, and fathers—can have fun and make an impact!



The BSA promotes a culture where youth, volunteers, and employees feel a sense of belonging—where every person feels respected and valued.