

JOIN BOY SCOUTING



I want to be a Scout. I have read the Scout Oath or Promise and the Scout Law and promise to observe them. Also, I will attend troop and patrol meetings regularly. On my honor I will do my best to be a good member.

.....
Name

BE PREPARED

PRIDE IN SCOUTING'S LOOK



Your official Scout uniform is made to go anywhere and do anything. The tough, easy laundering material will bounce back from rugged camping trips looking like new. Check with your Scoutmaster for the headgear and neckerchief your troop wears. Also ask about the proper insignia you'll need. Then go see your Scouting distributor!

SCOUT OATH OR PROMISE

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.

FOLD ON LINE



THE SCOUT LAW

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

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A Message to Parents. The youth registration fee is \$7 for 1 year, which includes an agreed-upon payment to the United States Foundation for International Scouting in support of the BSA World Scouting commitments.

Boys' Life is the monthly magazine of the Boy Scouts of America. It will help your son be a good Scout and stimulate his interest in good reading. His subscription is only \$7.80 a year—half the regular subscription price. Just check the *Boys' Life* box on the application.

Please calculate and remit the appropriate state and local taxes.

On late registrations it may be necessary to deliver back issues.

**TEMPORARY
MEMBERSHIP
CERTIFICATE**

(Good for 60 days)

This certifies that

_____ is a member of Troop _____

Scoutmaster's signature

Date

Troop neckerchief color

Troop hat style

The uniform is part of being a Scout. Show this membership certificate to your Scouting distributor when you purchase your uniform.

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OFFICIAL BOY SCOUT UNIFORM PARTS

- *Headgear (troop option)
- *Neckerchief (troop option)
- Red shoulder loops, No. 00676
- Neckerchief slide, No. 00801
- Long-sleeve shirt, No. 58891-93
- Short-sleeve shirt, No. 59891-93
- Web belt with buckle, No. 52992-93
- Trousers, No. 58800-22
- Scout shorts, No. 59808-22
- Scout socks, No. 56691-94
- *Unit numeral, No. 10401-08
- *Patrol emblem, No. 10201-39
- *Council shoulder patch

OFFICIAL BOY SCOUT LITERATURE

- Boy Scout Handbook*, No. 33299
- Fieldbook*, No. 33200

*Ask your Scoutmaster before purchasing these items to ensure you have the proper uniform parts that your troop wears.

Also ask your Scoutmaster for the location of the official Scouting distributor nearest you, or call the Boy Scouts of America at 1-800-323-0732 for ordering information and for credit card service.

Parent Information. Your son can be a Scout if he has completed the fifth grade, or is 11 years old, or has earned the Arrow of Light Award, but is younger than 18 years of age.

Here is how he can join:

1. Complete the application (sign your name, indicating approval).
2. Give the completed application and fees to the Scoutmaster.
3. Secure a copy of the *Boy Scout Handbook* and complete the joining requirements as listed.

Health Information. Please fill out the personal health history on back of the troop copy of this form.

SCOUTMASTER. (1) Complete and sign form; (2) remove last carbon; (3) retain troop copy and forward the other copy to local council service center with proper fees; and (4) sign Temporary Membership Certificate and present to member.

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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

(On the youth's application for membership,
a parent or guardian must certify that he or she has read this information sheet.)

Welcome to the Boy Scouts of America!

Your child is joining more than four million members of the Boy Scouts of America. Please take the time to review this material and reflect upon its importance.

The BSA and the Chartered Organization

The Boy Scouts of America makes Scouting available to our nation's youth by chartering community organizations to operate Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, Varsity Scout teams, and Explorer posts. The chartered organization must provide an adequate and safe meeting place and capable adult leadership, and must adhere to the principles and policies of the BSA. The BSA local council provides unit leader training, program ideas, camping facilities, literature, professional guidance for volunteer leaders, and liability insurance protection.

Scouting's Volunteers and You

Scouting's adult volunteers provide leadership at the unit, district, council, and national levels. Many are parents of Scouts; many entered Scouting as youth members. Each chartered organization establishes a unit committee, which

operates its Scouting unit, selects leadership, and provides support for a quality program. Most unit committees depend on parents for membership.

The unit committee selects the Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Scout Coach, or Explorer Advisor, subject to approval of the head of the chartered organization or the chartered organization representative. The unit leader must be a good role model because our children's values and lives will be influenced by that leader. You need to know your child's unit leader and be involved in the unit committee's activities so you can evaluate and help direct that influence.

Scouting uses a fun program to promote character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness for every member. You can help by encouraging perfect attendance, assisting with your child's advancement, attending meetings for parents, and assisting with transportation.

Program Policies

Chartered organizations agree to use the Scouting program in accordance with their own policies as well as those of the BSA. The program is flexible, but major departures from BSA methods and policies are not permitted. As a parent, you should be aware that:

- Leadership is restricted to qualified adults who subscribe to the Declaration of Religious Principle, the Scout Oath, and the Scout Law.
- Citizenship activities are encouraged, but partisan political activities are prohibited.
- Military training and drill are prohibited. Marksmanship and elementary drill for ceremonies are permitted.
- The Boy Scouts of America recognizes the importance of religious faith and duty; it leaves religious instruction to the member's religious leaders and family. Members who do not belong to a unit's religious chartered organization shall not be required to participate in its religious activities.
- Two registered adult leaders or one registered adult leader and a parent of a participant, one of whom must be 21 years of age or older, are required on all trips and outings. There are a few instances, such as patrol activities, when no adult leadership is required. Coed activities require male and female adult leaders.
- Corporal punishment and hazing are not permitted. Parents and unit leaders must work together to solve discipline problems.
- One-on-one activities between youth members and adults are not permitted; personal conferences must be conducted in plain view of others.
- If you suspect that anyone in the unit is a victim of child abuse, immediately contact the Scout executive, who is responsible for reporting this to the appropriate authorities.
- All Scouting activities are open to parental visitation. There are no "secret" organizations within the Boy Scouts of America.

Thank You!

The Boy Scouts of America appreciates your taking time to become familiar with Scouting. We feel that an informed parent is a strong ally in delivering the Scouting program. Help us keep the unit program in accord with Scouting principles. Alert the unit committee, chartered organization representative, and head of the chartered organization to any major deviations. And be prepared to do your fair share to support a quality unit program.

Class 1 Personal Health History

(Update annually using form No. 34414.)

PLEASE PRINT. DO NOT WRITE THROUGH CARBONS.

Identification: To be filled out by parent or guardian. Please print in ink.

Name _____ Date of birth _____ Age _____
Name of parent or guardian _____ Telephone _____
Home address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Check all items that apply, past or present, to your health history. Explain any "Yes" answers.

Allergies: Food, medicines, insects, plants Yes No Explain: _____

General Information:	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/>	Convulsions/seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heart trouble	<input type="checkbox"/>	High blood pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cancer/leukemia	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hemophilia	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kidney disease	<input type="checkbox"/>

List any medications to be taken at camp: _____

List any physical or behavioral conditions that may affect or limit full participation in swimming, backpacking, hiking long distances, or playing strenuous physical games: _____

List equipment needed such as wheelchair, braces, glasses, contact lenses, etc.: _____

Immunizations (give date of last inoculation):

Tetanus toxoid _____ Pertussis _____ Mumps _____ Polio _____

Diphtheria _____ Measles _____ Rubella _____

Name of personal physician _____ Telephone _____

Personal health/accident insurance carrier _____ Policy no. _____

Parent Authorization:

This health history is correct so far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted by me. In the event of illness or accident in the course of such activity, I request that measures be instituted without delay as the judgment of medical personnel dictates.

Signature _____ Date _____
Parent or guardian