

Welcome to

High Adventure

Troop 45

Boy Scouts of America
Theodore Roosevelt Council



First Presbyterian Church
Mineola, New York 11501
Meeting every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

The Troop 45 Website is www.troop45mineola.org

Welcome to the Boy Scouts and Troop 45, Mineola

Troop 45 is one of the oldest and certainly the finest Troops in the United States today. Our troop has offered an exciting program for boys ever since it was formed in 1923 over 85 years ago. We are proud of our impressive record of over 100 Eagle Scouts.

We are an organization of boys leading boys under the careful oversight of our Scoutmaster "Mr. G". We promote leadership and character development in the Scouting program through the use of outdoor activities such as: hiking, horseback riding, bicycling, camping, canoeing, rafting, rock climbing, backpacking and many other fun activities.

We invite you to get involved with our Troop. Enclosed are some forms so we might get to know you and your family a little better. Please fill them out and return them when you come to our next meeting.

We have regular troop meetings on Tuesdays @ 7:30 pm and we have an outdoor activity at least once a month. During the troop meetings the Scouts learn many skills to better prepare themselves for the wonderful outdoor adventures they will undertake.

For more information please contact:

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For more information, visit our
website: www.troop45mineola.org

We are a high adventure troop.

What does that mean?

Boy Scouting is designed to meet the needs and stimulate the interests of boys. Troop 45 is focused on boys interested in challenging outdoor adventures.

A Scout with a year or so experience in our Troop will have experienced hiking, camping, navigation, cooking, first aid, rope work, knots and rappelling, skiing, snow camping, kayaking, caving, bicycling, boating, swimming and water safety, and dozens of other skills and activities that many youth (and adults) will never have the chance to learn.

The skills we are teaching are not only for those lost in the woods, but can also be applied right here at home, school, and work. There is a confidence that comes from knowing what to do, and from having done it before, that allows the Scout or former Scout to emerge as a leader in many situations.

The way we build this confidence is through challenge. Our outings are designed to stretch the boy's experience to, and often beyond, what he thought he could do. We are a high adventure, high challenge Troop. The program is physically demanding, and a successful recruit must enjoy challenging and adventurous physical activities. Our purpose is to teach young men to be better than they thought they could be in every aspect of their lives. The program is designed to foster self confidence, respect, leadership, responsibility, teaching ability, problem solving skills, and strong morals.

Troop 45 has a reputation for retaining Scouts all the way to their 18th birthday, the mandatory retirement age for Boy Scouts. Over 80% of those graduating out attain the rank of Eagle, usually in their last year. Most of the boys who leave our program do so in the first year. This is in stark contrast to many Troops where a focus on advancement produces many young "Eagles" but very little older boy leadership and high dropout rates around age 14. Our seasoned boy leadership is what allows us to maintain the aggressive, challenging program that is needed to train and retrain the next generation of older boy leadership.



Troop 45
Building Character for
over 80 years

Each Scout Can Expect:

To grow physically, mentally, and spiritually,
To learn leadership and Scout craft skills, and
To learn to live in and enjoy the outdoors.

The Troop Expects From Each Scout:

Regular attendance at all meetings and events,
Honest effort on the Eagle Trail,
Active participation in Troop projects, and
That he live by the Scout Oath and Law.



BECOMING A SCOUT AND JOINING REQUIREMENTS

In order to become a Boy Scout you must:

1. Be a boy who has completed the fifth grade, or who has earned the Arrow of Light Award or be 11 years of age but not yet 18.
2. Find a Scout Troop.
3. Complete the Boy Scout joining requirements.

At your first Troop meeting, your Scoutmaster and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader will explain the following **joining requirements** of the Boy Scouts of America.

1. Submit a completed Boy Scout application and health history signed by your parent or guardian.
2. Repeat the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Demonstrate the Scout salute, sign, and handclasp.
4. Show how to tie the square knot (also known as the joining knot).
5. Understand and agree to live by the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, the Scout Motto, the Scout Slogan, and the Outdoor Code.
6. Describe the Scout badge.
7. With your parent or guardian, complete the exercises in the pamphlet How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse and Drug Abuse.
8. Participate in a Scoutmaster conference.

When you have completed these, you are a Scout and member of Troop 45. Your first step is to achieve your tenderfoot rank at the conclusion you will participate in the special "Candle Lighting" Ceremony and your Scoutmaster, Mr. Steve Grosskopf "Mr. G", will present you with the Troop 45 neckerchief and patches. You can, then, proudly wear the Troop 45 colors, Boy Scout badge and uniform.



In this world of give and take, it is a blessing to know one who's willing to give what it takes.

TROOP/PATROL MEETINGS

Troop 45 is made up of patrols. A patrol is a grouping of six to eight boys who work together. Each patrol has its own boy leader, called a patrol leader. The patrol method gives Scouts an experience in group living and participating citizenship. It places a certain amount of responsibility on young shoulders and teaches boys how to accept it.

The patrols meet together as a Troop each Tuesday (7:30-9:00 PM) in the Down Stairs Hall of the First Presbyterian Church. The church is across the street from the Mineola post office.

The Troop meeting consists of opening ceremonies, skill-development sessions, patrol corners, inter patrol competition using scouting skills, Scoutmaster's minute, and closing ceremonies. These meetings are planned and executed by the Patrol Leaders Council, which consists of the Senior Patrol Leader, the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Patrol Leaders. The Patrol Leaders Council meets the first Sunday of every month to plan for the next month.

Patrol meetings are designed to provide patrols with time to prepare for trips and troop meetings, conduct general patrol business (flag, yell, etc.), and go on Patrol outings. These are held at the Patrol Leader's discretion, approximately once or twice a month.

Regular attendance at all Troop meetings and Patrol activities is necessary to obtain the maximum benefit from the Scouting program. Attendance is recorded at all functions: Troop and patrol meetings, outings, Summer camp, and special events. Scout attendance at Troop meetings and activities is considered a measurable indication of Scout Spirit, which is an advancement criteria. If a Scout is irregular in his attendance, he misses out, and he, also, deprives his patrol of the resources, strengths, and skills that he can contribute to the patrol and to the Troop.

The great aim of education is not knowledge but action.



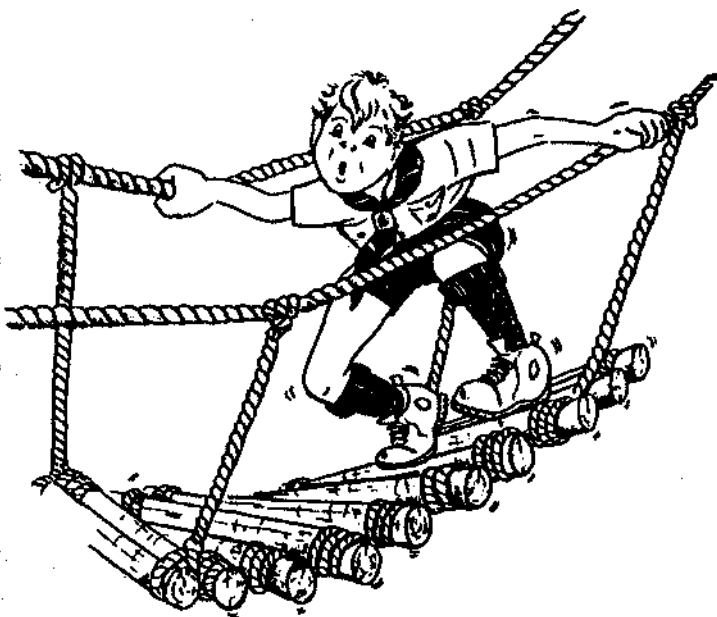
THE OUTDOOR PROGRAM



Boy Scouting is designed to take place outdoors. It is in the outdoors that Scouts share responsibilities and learn to live with each other. It is here that the skills and activities practiced at troop meetings come alive with purpose.

Troop 45 offers an outdoor experience once a month. These activities are designed to challenge the boys. We, specifically, seek out and explore new and exciting adventures to place obstacles before each boy, so that he may overcome and conquer his individual fears, weaknesses, and limitations with the help of his friends and peers and, as required, supportive adults.

Regular attendance is necessary to obtain maximum benefit and to acquire skills. If a Scout is irregular in his attendance, he misses out, and he deprives his patrol of the resources, strengths, and skills that he can contribute to the patrol and to the Troop on these outings.



ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM



Advancement is the process by which Scouts progress through ranks in the Scouting program by the gradual mastery of Scouting skills. Ranks are simply a means to an end, not an end in themselves. Everything boys do to advance and earn these ranks, from the day they join until they leave the program, should be designed to help boys have an exciting and meaningful experience.

Education and fun are functions of Scouting, and they are the basis of the advancement program. In the Scouting program, recognition is gained through leadership in the troop; attending and participating in the activities; living the ideals of Scouting; and developing a proficiency in outdoor living and useful skills.

No council, district, unit, or individual has the authority to add or subtract from any advancement requirement. The advancement requirements have been carefully developed to achieve the aims of Boy Scouting. To alter the requirements would defeat that purpose and would also be unfair to the Scout.

BOY SCOUT ADVANCEMENT IS A FOUR-STEP PROCESS:

1. The Boy Scout learns. A Scout learns by doing. As he learns, he grows in ability to do his part as a member of the patrol and the troop. As he develops knowledge and skill, he is asked to teach others. In this way, he begins to develop leadership.

2. The Boy Scout is tested. A Scout may be tested on requirements by his patrol leader, Scoutmaster, assistant Scoutmaster, a troop committee member, or qualified member of his troop.

3. The Boy Scout is reviewed. After a Scout has completed all requirements for a rank, he has a board of review. For Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star Life, and Eagle palms the review is conducted by members of the troop committee. The Eagle Board of Review is conducted in accordance with Santa Clara County Council procedures.

4. The Boy Scout is recognized. After the board of review has certified a boy's advancement, he deserves to receive recognition as soon as possible. This is done at a ceremony at the next troop meeting. The certificate for his new rank is later presented at a formal Court of Honor held every 3 months.

The Scout plans his advancement and progresses at his own pace as he overcomes each challenge. The Scout is rewarded for each achievement, which helps him gain self-confidence. The steps in the advancement system help a boy grow in self-reliance and the ability to help others.

Troop 45 provides advancement opportunities during troop and patrol meetings, on outings, and at Summer Camp.

Scouting Ranks:

- Tenderfoot Rank
- Second Class Rank
- First Class Rank
- Star Rank
- Life Rank
- Eagle Scout Award
 - Bronze Palm
 - Gold Palm
 - Silver Palm



Merit Badges:

Merit badges are a part of Scouting for two reasons. First, they encourage the Scouts to increase their skill in things they like to do. Second, they challenge Scouts to try out new activities that may result in fresh interests or hobbies. One of these may even start him on the path to a career. Steven Spielberg, an Eagle Scout, got his career start with a Scouting merit badge.

There are approximately 120 merit badges to choose from - anything from Camping to Pets, to Orienteering, to Photography, to Sailing, to Law, etc. To start a merit badge a Scout obtains a blank blue card from an adult leader (the advancement chairman) and selects a merit badge counselor. Next, the Scout telephones the counselor to discuss requirements and set up a schedule for a meeting. Once all of the requirements for a badge are completed, the Counselor will sign it off. This card is, then, given to the Advancement Chairman who obtains the actual badge and presents it at the next Court of Honor.

(Note: The obtaining of merit badges is an integral part of obtaining ranks. More specific information on exactly what is required for each rank and/or merit badge can be obtained from *The Boy Scout Handbook* or any of the Troop 45's leadership. Prior to starting a merit badge a blue card must be obtained from either the Scoutmaster or Advancement chairman. Also, upon completion of any rank or merit badge **it is the individual scout's responsibility** to contact Mr. Don McMahon, (Advancement Chairman.)

Individual Scout Budget

We know that Scouting can be expensive and that finances are a concern to most of our families. To this end we provide opportunities for a boy to ear his own way. Twice yearly the Troop has a major fund rising drive, our wreath sale and Fathers day pancake breakfast. Each fundraiser offers a boy to earn bonus dollars that can be used to pay for campouts, or go to camp, buy uniforms or equipment from the Scout Shop, or backpacks and gear.

Initiation Fee - \$60.00 This includes: National Boy Scout registration, Boys Life magazine, 2 Troop T shirts, Troop neckerchief, Troop hat and 2 Troop patches.

Additional costs include a \$1 per week dues, Summer Camp estimated \$350 for one week, individual outing cost such as food and activities.

Troop Class "A" Uniform

You can purchase a uniform at Roberts, Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, 11501
If you would like a used uniform or hiking boots, we have a Recycled Uniform Troop Closet.

Class A uniform consists of:

- Scout black baseball cap with troop patch (provided)
- Scout tan uniform shirt with all necessary patches (**short sleeves**) \$45-\$60
- Scout green pants and shorts \$35 - \$60
- Red Epaulets \$2
- Troop 45 neckerchief (provided)
- Neckerchief slide (better made than purchased)
- Scout shorts or long pants \$30 to \$50
- Boy Scout Belt \$9
- Green Boy Scout socks \$5/pp

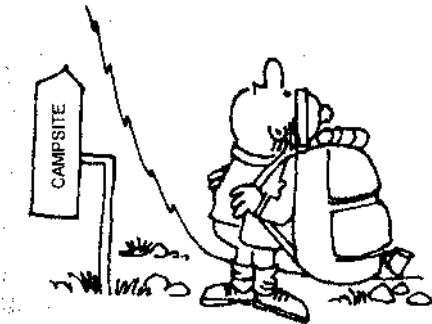


Personal Equipment

Besides personal items such as clothing and toiletries, each Scout will need to provide a sleeping bag, sleeping pad and ground cloth, hiking boots/sturdy shoes, backpack, poncho or rain gear, personal eating utensils, water bottle(s), 10+ kit (basic first aid kit with essential survival items), flashlight, and any other items called for by specific trips.

We request that before you go out and buy anything that you attend the special meetings for parents provided to help you select the most cost effective, boy durable equipment. These meetings include the 3B's (Bags, Boots and Backpacks) where you learn about the best possible sleeping bags, boots and other essential backpacking equipment.

The Troop provides tents, stoves, pots and pans, axes, lanterns, etc.



*Some folks may succeed because they're destined to,
but most succeed because they're determined to.*

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 LAWb

A Scout is TRUSTWORTHY.

A Scout is LOYAL.

A Scout is HELPFUL.

A Scout is FRIENDLY.

A Scout is COURTEOUS.

A Scout is KIND.

A Scout is OBEDIENT.

A Scout is CHEERFUL.

A Scout is THRIFTY.

A Scout is BRAVE.

A Scout is CLEAN.

A Scout is REVERENT.

SCOUT MOTTO

Be prepared.

SCOUT SLOGAN

Do a good turn daily.

Statistics show for every 100 boys who join scouting:

***12 will have their first contact with a church**

***5 will earn their religious emblem**

***1 will enter the clergy**

***18 will develop hobbies that will last through their adult lives**

***1 will use his Boy Scout skills to save his life**

***1 will use his Boy Scout skills to save someone else's life**

***17 will become Scouting volunteers**

***2 will become Eagle Scouts.**

WHO'S IN CHARGE?

Leadership:

Troop 45 is boy led troop. The boys plan campouts and troop meetings through the PATROL LEADERS COUNCIL (PLC). This council consists of the Senior Patrol Leader and Patrol Leaders. Older scouts and adult leadership (Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters) act as facilitators only.

The Senior Patrol Leader:

1. Must be a STAR Scout or above rank and advancing.
2. Must be elected by a majority of the Troop
(Elections are held each June with term beginning in September.)
3. Must have previous leadership experience in Troop 45 and attended Junior Leader Training — Troop, JLOW and Bear Claw.
4. Is subject to the approval of the Scoutmaster.

The Assistant Senior Patrol Leader:

1. Is appointed by the Senior Patrol Leader for his term of one year.
2. Must be a STAR Scout or above rank and advancing,
3. Must be very active in the Troop.
4. Must have previous leadership experience in Troop 45, and attended Junior Leader Training - Troop , JLOW, and Bear Claw.
5. Is subject to the approval of the Scoutmaster.

The Patrol Leaders:

1. Must be elected by a majority of the Patrol.
(Elections are held every six months - January and June for terms February-July and August-January.)
2. Must be a First Class Scout and attended Junior Leader Training.
3. Must be very active in the Troop and be able to full fill the responsibility of patrol leader.
4. Are subject to the approval of the Scout master.

Patrol Leader Council:

The PLC normally meets at 7:00 p.m. before each Troop meeting and once a month for 2 hours. Here, they plan the programs for the upcoming month (consistent with the annual plan). They, also, discuss progress reviews for all ranks. It is the disciplinary board when such action is called for.

Chain of Command:

If an individual scout has a question or problem, rather than ask an adult leader, the Scout should ask his Patrol Leader. If the Patrol Leader does not know the answer, the Scout can count on him to find out. This approach to disseminating Scouting information helps to build strong patrol ties and assists in training our young leaders.

Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters:

The Troop Committee provides Troop 45 with a Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters whose role it is to teach the Scouts to run the Troop. You will not find the Scoutmaster running the Troop meetings. Like coaches, they belong on the sidelines, leaving operations to the field leaders. The objective is to foster and develop leadership and responsibility within the Troop by having the Scouts plan, be responsible for, self regulate, and carry out their activities to the greatest extent possible, with the advice and guidance from the Scoutmaster and his Assistants. His re-chartering will be based upon his regular attendance and fulfillment of duties.

Role of the Parent(s):

1. Pay attention to what is happening in the Troop.
2. Read the newsletters.
3. Attend Parent Meetings.
4. Attend Court of Honors.
5. Ensure that the boy gets to Troop meetings on time and in uniform.
6. Support, encourage, and in some cases facilitate involvement and advancement.
7. Get involved in the program (Scoutmaster and Assistants), Committee (behind the scenes support and direction), or special projects (fund-raisers, project management, kayak building).
8. Participate in our annual fund raiser programs.

Troop 45 is NOT Baby Sitters of America!

Don't expect this to be a no-effort proposition on your part. This is a volunteer organization, and if your son has joined then you have volunteered. We understand that different people have different skills, different demands on their time, and different priorities. There are a wide range of opportunities available for you to help. You may even think of some that we haven't. In any case, having a Son in Scouting represents an investment of both time and money on your part. On the positive side, this Troop has far less required parental participation than many others. We do not require all families to provide either a committee member or assistant Scoutmaster as some do. We do not require parents to drive on all outings, as our program staff of volunteers drive for most of our outings and many of them have "Scout hauler" vehicles. When we do need additional assistance, however, with Summer Camp, the Kayak trip and some other outings, we would like to have cheerful volunteers.

YOU'RE NOT IN CUB SCOUTS ANY MORE! Most of our new Scouts come to us from Cub Scouts. Our program is significantly different, especially where parental participation is concerned. In Cubs, most parents are involved dealing directly with their own son. In Boy Scouts the emphasis is on self-reliance and boy-to-boy instruction and teaching. This requires that the parents maintain a certain distance at Scout events. Parents (and Staff) at Scout events and outings should avoid direct involvement with their own son, except in a situation such as Courts of Honor or those specifically designed for family involvement, and especially where instruction, correction, problems, or discipline issues arise. While this is nearly impossible for most parents to accomplish, the reasoning is simple: if you solve all his problems for him, he will not learn, nor will the Scout whose job it is to assist, teach, or correct him. In addition, peer groups, including Scouts, at this age can be ruthless in the torment of a boy who is seen to be "bailed out" or is publicly corrected by "mommy" or "daddy." As hard as it may be, leave these issues to the boy leadership, or if required, one of the other adults on the trip. Likewise, a boy who comes to you for one thing or another repeatedly on a trip should be referred to his Patrol Leader for assistance.

The Troop Committee:

The Troop Committee is just as important as the Troop itself. Without a Troop Committee the Troop cannot function. The Troop Committee establishes the Troop Budget, recommends people for the positions of Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters to the sponsoring organization, The First Presbyterian Church, and provides logistical support for the Troop.

Members of the Troop Committee are the Committee Chairman, Assistant Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer - And, the Chairpersons of the following committees:

Advancement, Scoutwalk, Fund Raising, Membership/Recruiting, Friends of Scouting, Scouting Coordinator and Charter Organization Representative, hospitality, Board of Review, Records and Resources, and Quartermaster.

The Scoutmaster and his Assistants attend committee meetings but are non-voting advisors. The Committee has the right and ability to commission or decommission any member of the Program (uniformed) staff. Like our government, this provides a set of checks and balances between the Administrative branch (Scoutmaster and Assistants) and the Legislative branch (Committee). The Legal branch, if required, is provided by the District staff and National policy in an arbitrator's role.

Committee meetings .are held once a month on the third Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Parents, who are not committee members, are welcome to attend. **ATTENDING A COMMITTEE MEETING IN NO WAY OBLIGATES YOU TO TAKE ANY TROOP JOB.**

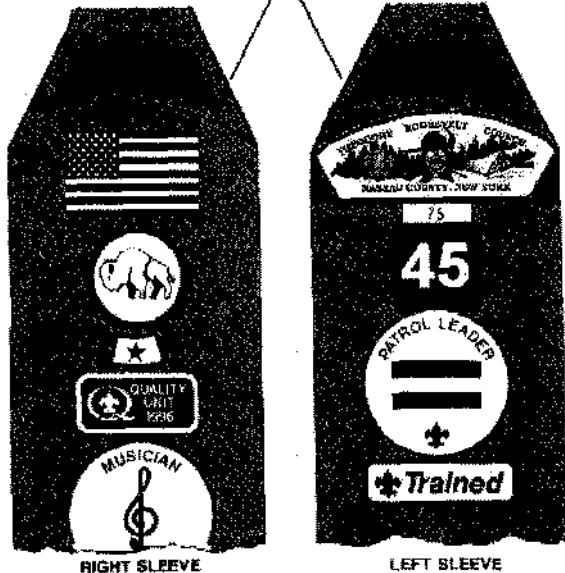
Parent Meetings are held approximately twice a year. The purpose of these meetings is to inform the parents about what is happening in the troop. This includes reports from the Committee Chairman, Troop Secretary, Troop Treasurer, Scoutmaster, and of trips and special troop events. It is, also, a time to learn about what equipment your son may need, how to support him in advancement and leadership skills, and what Boy Scouting is really all about. In addition, parents are asked to approve the yearly Troop calendar and be involved in our once a year troop fund raiser. Attendance at Parent Meetings is expected.

TEAM- Together Each Accomplishes More

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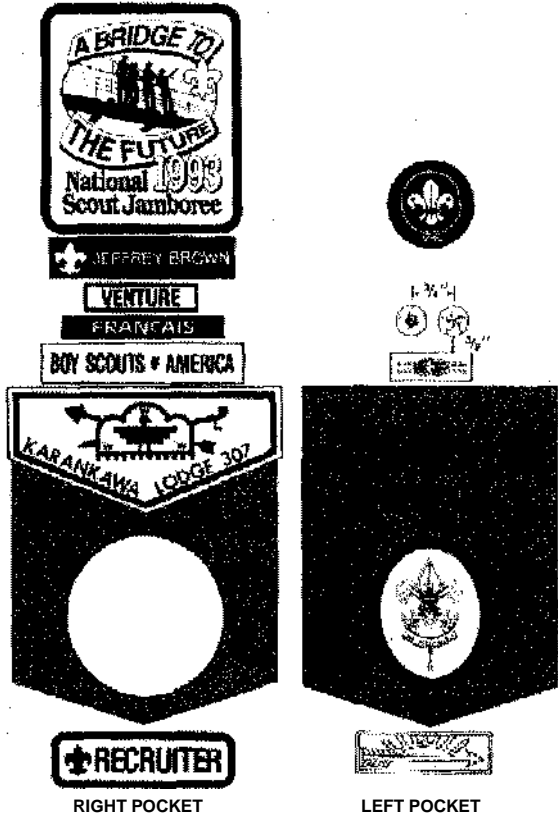
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SHOULDER EPAULETS AND LOOPS



RIGHT SLEEVE

LEFT SLEEVE



RIGHT POCKET

LEFT POCKET

Conduct uniform inspection with common sense; the basic rule is neatness.

Merit Badge Sash. If worn, merit badges are attached to front (and back, if needed) of sash. Venture/Varsity letter is attached at bottom front corner. Temporary insignia may be worn on back.

Shoulder Epaulets. Red shoulder loops identify Boy Scouting members of a troop. Blaze loops identify Varsity Scouting.

Left Sleeve. Council patches, unit numeral, and badge of office are worn as shown snug up, and touching each other. Badge of office is centered below and touches unit numeral. The veteran unit bar (25, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75, or 80 years) is positioned above and touching troop numeral and in turn touching council patch. Den chief cord is worn over the left shoulder and under epaulet.

Left Pocket. Service stars above the pocket. If a medal or embroidered knot for youth members is worn, service stars are raised. Embroidered square knots are worn centered above the pocket in rows of three. Not more than five medals may be worn, pinned centered immediately above the pocket (extending over knots if both are worn). The wearing sequence for knots or medals is at the wearer's discretion and lead color is to the wearer's right. Badges of rank are worn centered on the pocket above the Arrow of Light Award. Flap buttoned. The World Crest is worn centered horizontally over the left pocket and vertically between the left shoulder seam and the top of the pocket.

Right Sleeve. U.S. flag. Only the most recently earned Quality Unit Mani may be worn below patrol emblem or below Baden-Pawls!! Patrol Star, Mosieiao badge, if in band or drum corps, is worn 1/2 inch below patrol emblem. Up to six merit badges may be worn on the long-sleeved shirt in two columns of three starting 3 inches above the bottom edge of the cuff.

Right Pocket. Jamboree insignia (only one) worn above BSA or interpreter strip. Order of the Arrow lodge insignia worn to pocket flap. Temporary insignia worn centered on the pocket. Flap buttoned. The Varsity or Venture strip is worn above the BSA strip or above the interpreter strip. Nameplate, if worn, is centered above the ASA strip, interpreter strip, and Venture or Varsity strip.



SOY SCOUT/VARSITY SCOUT UNIFORM INSPECTION SHEET

General Appearance, Allow 4 points for each: (1) good posture, (2) clean face and hands, (3) 20 pts. hair combed; (4) neatly dressed, (5) clean fingernails.

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5 pts

Headgear. Two styles: (1) visored cap; or (2) campaign hat. All troop members must wear one of the headgear chosen by vote of the troop/team, Varsity Scouts wear only the blaze and brown visored cap.

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Neckerchief and Slide. Insignia at back should be right side up and centered. Fold long edge 5" over several flat folds to about 6 inches from lip of neckerchief. A tight fold prevents gathering around the neck and is more efficient than rolling or twirling: Draw neckerchief slide over ends and adjust to fit snugly. By vote of troop, ends may be left hanging loose or tied in a slipknot. The neckerchief is optional to the troop.

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Shirt. Official long- or short-sleeve tan shirt with red or blaze shoulder loops on epaulets. The troop/team may vote to wear a neckerchief, bolo tie, or no neckwear. In any case, the collar should be unbuttoned. The troop/team has the choice of wearing the neckerchief over the turned-under collar or under the open collar.

S fits.

Belt. Olive web with BSA insignia on brass buckle; or official leather with international-style buckle or buckle of your choice, worn only if voted by the troop/team. Members wear one of the belts Chosen by vote of the troop/team.

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Pants/Shorts. Official, olive, pressed; no cuffs.

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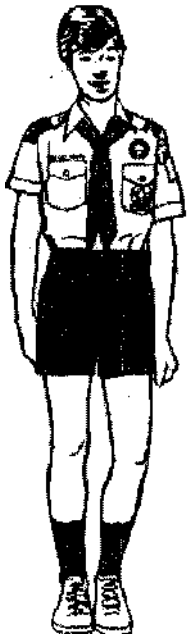
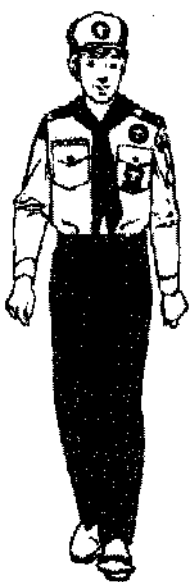
Socks. Official olive-colored mid-calf-length socks with red tops worn with official shorts or 5 pus trousers. (Long socks are optional with shorts.)

EI Shoes. Leather or canvas, neat and clean: 5 pia.

LI Registration. Current membership card or temporary certificate on person. 5 pts

Insignia. Correct placement left pocket, 5 points; right pocket, 5 points: left sleeve, 5 pts; right sleeve, 5 points.

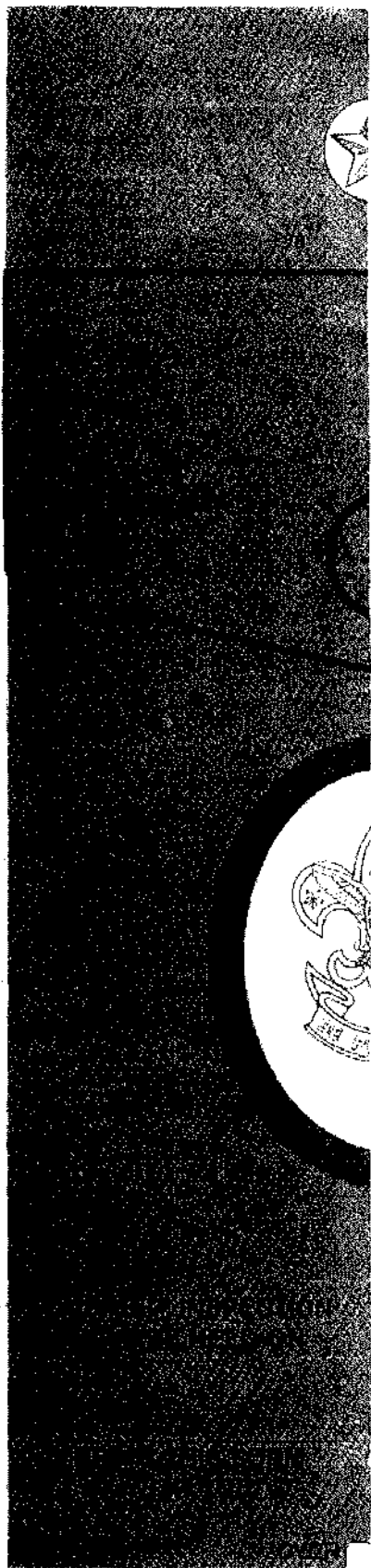
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For more information about insignia, see *Insignia Guide, No. 33064.*

UNIFORM INSPECTION SCORE

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QUESTIONS MOST ASKED BY PARENTS

WHAT CAN YOU TELL ME ABOUT THE BOY SCOUTS?

The Boy Scouts of America is one of the largest youth service organizations. The program is family based with a focus on teamwork, self-confidence and achievement.

WHAT TYPE OF PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES DO THE YOUNG PEOPLE PARTICIPATE IN?

The program is a series of enjoyable activities based upon abilities related to age and group consensus, such as meetings, day trips, outdoor skills, weekend and summer camping.

HOW OLD ARE THE CHILDREN?

Boy Scouts are ages 11-17.

HOW OFTEN AND WHERE DOES THE TROOP MEET?

Our Troop will usually meet once a week on Tuesday from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm on a regular basis. We meet at first Presbyterian Church in Mineola.

WHO ARE THE LEADERS?

The leaders are regular people selected by the chartered organization who volunteer their time for the benefit of young people. Often they are the parents of Scouts who are in the unit or local leaders in the community.

AS A PARENT WHAT DO I DO?

Scouting is a partnership with the parents of the young person. Scouting is an excellent opportunity for you to spend very high quality time with your son. Since the leaders are not paid they would most certainly appreciate any help that you could provide.

WHAT ABOUT UNIFORMS?

Complete uniforms are required for all Scouts. Should a family need some help we do run a uniform recycle program in the troop where families can contribute to and take from our supply of previously broken in uniforms.

WHAT ABOUT CAMPING?

Our Scouts have the opportunity to go both weekend and summer camping (financial assistance is available). The council operates three camps. Camp Pouch is located in Staten Island,

WHAT KIND OF BADGES AND AWARDS EXIST?

Your son can earn a wide variety of achievements and awards by having fun and learning something in areas such as citizenship, personal fitness, family living, the outdoors, nature, crafts, and more.

WHO DO I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT TROOP 45?

You can call the Scoutmaster Steve Grosskopf at 516 746-4497.

<http://www.troop45mineola.org>

Troop 45's web site is the place to go for any other information you may need about the Troop. This is the place to find:

- 1 — Our most updated event calendar
- 2 — Directions and information you may need about upcoming events
- 3 — Camping resources
- 4 — Contact email addressed for the Scoutmaster and Committee Chairman
- 5 — Pictures of recent events
- 6 — A brief history of Troop 45 and lists of Eagle Scouts and other award winners

It is just another way for you as a parent to get information about what's happening in Troop 45. Other ways for you to stay connected are:

- 1 — Return to pick up your son by about 8:45 on Tuesday Troop Meeting nights. There is always a group of parents hanging in the back of the room as closing announcements are made.
- 2 — Come to monthly Committee Meetings where you will get to know the adults involved in Troop 45 and hear what is happening. No parent will ever be "assigned" a Troop job because they came to a meeting, so why not come down and see what we are all about.
- 3 — As a Boy Run Troop, your son's path to getting information should be from his Patrol Leader to the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader to the Senior Patrol Leader. Your son should have his Patrol Leader's phone number and should call him if he has questions. Please do not circumvent the Boy Run system and take it upon yourself to call your son's Patrol Leader — that is his job. Also, should you have concerns about your son, please by all means share them with the Scoutmaster but please do not call Mr. G with questions about a camping trip or other Troop Activities. There is no way he can field calls from 40 or 50 families and if he did it would totally disable the Boy Run system that we work very hard to keep in place.

All of our Troop Leadership (both boy age and adults) are very involved folks with Boy Scouting being but one area of their involvement. As such, we try to take care of business during our regular Scouting Hours. That means that Troop Meetings, Committee Meetings, and Patrol Meetings are the places to conduct Troop Business.

NEW SCOUTS AND PARENTS

Please make sure you have all the following to register:

- Delegation of Authority to Consent (Yellow Form)
- BSA Registration Form
- Troop 45 Family Information Form
- BSA Medical Form Part A & B
- Troop 45 Heppa From
- Payment of \$60 (check made out to Troop 45)

This covers the following:

- \$12.00 Annual Boy Scouts of America membership fee
- \$10.00 Boys Life Magazine
- \$15 Troop 45 hat
- \$15 Troop 45 neckerchief
- \$18 (2) Troop 45 Class B T-Shirt

In addition, please be sure that your Scout as his \$1 weekly dues which is collected at every Troop Meeting.



Serving the Youth of our community for over 80 years

Troop 45

Boy Scouts of America, Mineola, New York

Scout's Name _____ Scout email Address _____

Home Address: _____ Town _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Scout cell # _____ School _____ Grade _____

My son is taking medication or has special needs as follows _____

Was son a Cubscout **E** YES **C** NO If Yes What rank _____ What Pack _____ Town _____

Family Information

Mother Name _____ Email Address _____

Occupation _____ Mom Cell _____ Work Tel _____

Drivers Lic. # _____ Car Year, Make Model _____ Passengers _____

Car Insurance \$ _____,000 Single Event, \$ _____,000 Multiple Events, \$ _____,000 Property Damage

My address and phone number is the same as my son.

My address and phone # is _____ phone _____

Previous Scouting or Outdoor Experience _____

Father Name _____ Email Address _____

Occupation _____ Dad Cell _____ Work Tel _____

Drivers Lic. # _____ Car Year, Make Model _____ Passengers _____

Car Insurance \$ _____,000 Single Event, \$ _____,000 Multiple Events, \$ _____,000 Property Damage

C My address and phone number is the same as my son.

My address and phone # is _____ phone _____

Previous Scouting or Outdoor Experience _____

Comments

Annual BSA Health and Medical Record

Part A

GENERAL INFORMATION

High-adventure base participants:

Expedition/crew No.: _____
 or staff position: _____

Name _____ Date of birth _____ Age _____ Male Female
 Address _____ Grade completed (youth only) _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone No. _____
 Unit leader _____ Council name/No. _____ Unit No. _____
 Social Security No. (optional; may be required by medical facilities for treatment) _____ Religious preference _____
 Health/accident insurance company _____ Policy No. _____

ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY OF BOTH SIDES OF INSURANCE CARD. IF FAMILY HAS NO MEDICAL INSURANCE, STATE

"NONE." In case of emergency, notify:

Name _____ Relationship _____
 Address _____
 Home phone _____ Business phone _____ Cell phone _____
 Alternate contact _____ Alternate's phone _____

HEALTH HISTORY

Are you now, or have you ever been treated for any of the following:

Yes	No	Condition	Explain
		Asthma Last attack:	
		Diabetes Last HbA1c:	
		Hypertension (high blood pressure)	
		Heart disease (e.g., CHF, CAD, MI)	
		Stroke/TIA	
		Lung/respiratory disease	
		Ear/sinus problems	
		Muscular/skeletal condition	
		Menstrual problems (women only)	
		Psychiatric/psychological and emotional difficulties	
		Behavioral disorders (e.g., ADD, ADHD, Asperger syndrome, autism)	
		Bleeding disorders	
		Fainting spells	
		Thyroid disease	
		Kidney disease	
		Sickle cell disease	
		Seizures Last seizure:	
		Sleep disorders (e.g., sleep apnea)	Use CPAP: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
		Abdominal/digestive problems	
		Surgery	
		Serious injury	
		Other	

Allergies or Reaction to:

Medication _____
 Food, Plants, or Insect Bites _____

Immunizations:

The following are recommended by the BSA. **Tetanus immunization is required and must have been received within the last 10 years.** If had disease, put "D" and the year. If immunized, check the box and the year received.

Yes	No	Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tetanus _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pertussis _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diphtheria _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Measles _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mumps _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rubella _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Polio _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chicken pox _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hepatitis A _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hepatitis B _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Influenza _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (i.e., HIB) _____

Exemption to immunizations claimed (form required).

MEDICATIONS

List all medications currently used. (If additional space is needed, please photocopy his part of the health form.) Inhalers and EpiPen information must be included, even if they are for occasional or emergency use only.

(For more information about immunizations, as well as the immunization exemption form, see Scouting Safely on Scouting.org.)

Medication	Medication	Medication
Strength Frequency	Strength Frequency	Strength Frequency
Approximate date started	Approximate date started	Approximate date started
Reason for medication	Reason for medication	Reason for medication
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Reason for medication	Reason for medication	Reason for medication

Administration of the above medications is approved by (if required by your state): _____
 Parent/guardian signature and/or MD/DO, NP, or PA signature

Be sure to bring medications in sufficient quantities and the original containers. Make sure that they are NOT expired, including inhalers and EpiPens. You SHOULD NOT STOP taking any maintenance medication.

Emergency contact No.:

Part B

INFORMED CONSENT AND HOLD HARMLESS RELEASE AGREEMENT

High-adventure base participants:

Expedition/crew No.: _____

or staff position: _____

I understand that participation in Scouting activities involves a certain degree of risk and can be physically, mentally, and emotionally demanding. I also understand that participation in these activities is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by applicable rules and standards of conduct.

In case of an emergency involving me or my child, I understand that every effort will be made to contact the individual listed as the emergency contact person. In the event that this person cannot be reached, permission is hereby given to the medical provider selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for me or my child. Medical providers are authorized to disclose protected health information to the adult in charge, camp medical staff, camp management, and/or any physician or health care provider involved in providing medical care to the participant. Protected Health Information/Confidential Health Information (PHI/CHI) under the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information, 45 C.F.R. §§160.103, 164.501, etc. seq., as amended from time to time, includes examination findings, test results, and treatment provided for purposes of medical evaluation of the participant, follow-up and communication with the participant's parents or guardian, and/or determination of the participant's ability to continue in the program activities.

I have carefully considered the risk involved and give consent for myself and/or my child to participate in these activities. I approve the sharing of the information on this form with BSA volunteers and professionals who need to know of medical situations that might require special consideration for the safe conducting of Scouting activities.

I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

Without restrictions.

With special considerations or restrictions (list) _____

TALENT RELEASE AGREEMENT

I hereby assign and grant to the local council and the Boy Scouts of America the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/ film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me or my child at all Scouting activities, and I hereby release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all liability from such use and publication.

I hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of said photographs/ film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the Boy Scouts of America, and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

0 Yes 0 No

ADULTS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE YOUTH TO AND FROM EVENTS:

You must designate at least one adult. Please include a telephone number.

1. Name _____ Telephone _____

2. Name _____ Telephone _____

3. Name _____ Telephone _____

Adults NOT authorized to take youth to and from events:

1. Name _____

2. Name _____

3. Name _____

I understand that, if any information I/we have provided is found to be inaccurate, it may limit and/or eliminate the opportunity for participation in any event or activity.

If I am participating at Philmont, Philmont Training Center, Northern Tier, or Florida Sea Base: I have also read and understand the risk advisories explained in Part D, including height and weight requirements and restrictions, and understand that the participant will not be allowed to participate in applicable high-adventure programs if those requirements are not met. The participant has permission to engage in all high-adventure activities described, except as specifically noted by me or the health-care provider.

Participant's name _____

Participant's signature _____ Date _____

Parent/guardian's signature _____ Date _____

(if participant is under the age of 18)

Second parent/guardian signature _____ Date _____

(if required; for example, CA)

This Annual Health and Medical Record is valid for 12 calendar months.

Part B Full name: _____ DOB: _____

INFORMATION

NAME _____ PHONE # (HOME) _____ (CELL) _____ (WORK) _____
(FIRST) (LAST)

ADDRESS: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____
(STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)