

Parent Guide



READY, SET
ADVENTURE!

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Quivira Council

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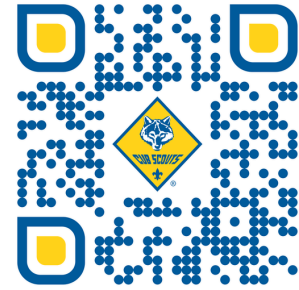
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Have Questions?

Point your camera at this QR code to view the video



Frequently Asked Questions

<https://www.scouting.org/about/faq>



Scout Oath & Law

These are the foundations of Scouting, from kindergarten to high school graduation, and as adult volunteers!

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
Reverent

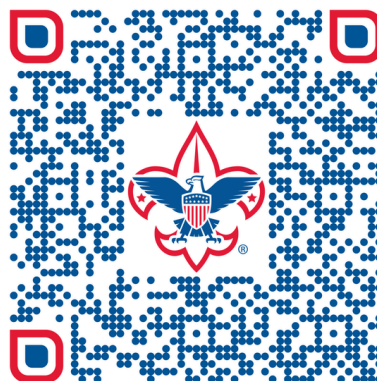
Youth of Today, Leaders of Tomorrow

Character is what we grow in Scouting! Using the Scout Oath and Scout Law, engaging boys and girls in weekly fun-with-a-purpose meetings, and taking to the outdoors. Youth in Scouting develop their mental and moral qualities while having fun with friends!

As a parent, you want to make sure that the activities you choose can not only fill that emotional gap, but also, help your child to grow up to be a self-reliant, dependable, and caring individual. But does Scouting really improve a kid's character? According to research conducted at Tufts University in 2015, the answer is YES!

Scouts learn and do. They are not afraid to put in the work to create something of value.

80% of Scouts see the correlation between hard work and success, 20% more than Non-Scouts.



Scouts are 10% more likely to 'make the right choice' when faced with an opportunity to do wrong.

[View the results of the Tuft University study here!](#)

The research studied 4,000 kids, some were are in Scouting and some who were not. The findings show that Scouting enables kids to make solid growth in a number of key areas while also fostering positive relationships, promoting the development of life skills, and offering opportunities for leadership.

WHY SCOUTS?

Families join Scouts to:

- Expand Leadership Skills
 - Develop Character
- Build Self Confidence
- Unplug from Electronics

Kids join Scouts to:

- Make New Friends
- Participate in Outdoor Activities
 - Have Fun!

KEY FINDINGS

The more time kids spend in Scouting, the better the outcomes in character development.

Those who attend meetings regularly report higher outcomes virtually across the board when compared to Scouts with lower attendance.

Scouts who are more engaged in the program report higher outcomes in nearly every category.

These are skills and opportunities that we need now more than ever.

The Journey Begins Here

The Scout Oath and Scout Law
are put into practice in Den and Pack meetings!

WHY CUB SCOUTS?

- Strengthens family connections
- Creates quality time with your child
- Builds confidence and character
- Teaches new skills through hands-on adventures
- Encourages service and helping others
- Develops friendships and leadership
- Most importantly... it's FUN

SCOUTING ADVENTURES

- Camping under the stars
- Hiking, fishing, swimming, and biking
- Pinewood Derby races
- Raingutter Regatta competitions
- Exploring nature and discovering new places
- Fun field trips and special events
- Making new friends and lasting memories

THE BIG PICTURE

- Den Meetings
 - Small groups organized by grade
- Pack meetings and activities
 - Family events combining all dens
- District & Council Events
 - Sporting events, Museums, Zoo, etc.

TRAINING

- Safeguarding Youth Training
- Position-specific training
- Online - short modules that you can go through at your own pace

RANK ADVANCEMENT THROUGH ADVENTURES

- For each rank, complete 8 den-based adventures
- Adventures = interdisciplinary, theme-based experiences
- Immediate recognition after each adventure
- Elective adventures for more fun with a variety of choices



Cub Scout Dens

















































Putting the Scout Oath & Law into action toward earning Cub Scout Ranks.

- Boys and Girls in the same grade make a Den
- Dens meet 2-3 times each month
- Dens complete adventures in their grade-specific Cub Scout Book
 - Adventures lead to receiving badge of earned rank
 - Dens are led by adult volunteers called Den Leaders



Cub Scout Badges of Rank Requirements

The Bobcat Adventure is designed to be the first required Adventure. Each badge of rank is earned by completing six required and two elective Adventures. The six required Adventures are focused on the aims and focus areas of Scouting America.

 LION Kindergarten	 TIGER 1 st Grade	 WOLF 2 ND Grade	 BEAR 3 RD Grade	 WEBELOS 4 TH Grade	 ARROW OF LIGHT 5 TH Grade
 BOBCAT Character/Leadership  MOUNTAIN LION Outdoors  FUN ON THE RUN Personal Fitness  KING OF THE JUNGLE Citizenship  LION ROAR Personal Safety  LION'S PRIDE Family/Reverence	 BOBCAT Character/Leadership  TIGERS IN THE WILD Outdoors  TIGER BITES Personal Fitness  TEAM TIGER Citizenship  TIGER ROAR Personal Safety  TIGER CIRCLES Family/Reverence	 BOBCAT Character/Leadership  PAWS ON THE PATH Outdoors  RUNNING WITH THE PACK Personal Fitness  COUNCIL FIRE Citizenship  SAFETY IN NUMBERS Personal Safety  FOOTSTEPS Family/Reverence	 BOBCAT Character/Leadership  BEAR HABITAT Outdoors  BEAR STRONG Personal Fitness  PAWS FOR ACTION Citizenship  STANDING TALL Personal Safety  FELLOWSHIP Family/Reverence	 BOBCAT Character/Leadership  WEBELOS WALKABOUT Outdoors  STRONGER, FASTER, HIGHER Personal Fitness  MY COMMUNITY Citizenship  MY SAFETY Safety/First Aid  MY FAMILY Family/Reverence	 BOBCAT Character/Leadership  OUTDOOR ADVENTURER Outdoors  PERSONAL FITNESS Personal Fitness  CITIZENSHIP Citizenship  FIRST AID Safety/First Aid  DUTY TO GOD Family/Reverence
 2 Elective Adventures	 2 Elective Adventures	 2 Elective Adventures	 2 Elective Adventures	 2 Elective Adventures	 2 Elective Adventures

Scouting Registration

The cost to join Scouting is an annual fee of \$85. For only \$15 for the year, all Scouters may subscribe to Scout Life magazine.

→ Kancare

The following KanCare Health Providers are excited to support Programs for Youth!

Eligible members age 5 to 18 can get;

- \$50 credit per year with Sunflower
- \$100 credit per year United Health Care
- \$75 per year with Healthy Blue (parent request to Healthy Blue required)

→ Military

Scouting America will waive the \$85 national registration fee for all new or renewing Scouts of active-duty, guard, and reserve military families effective June 1, 2026. This is done through a simple verification process during online registration.

(This discount does not cover; Program Fee, Unit Specific dues, or Scout Life Magazine)



SCOUTING SCHOLARSHIPS

Every Child Deserves a Chance

*Scouting Can Cost as Little as \$85 for the whole year
No child is turned away because of cost!*

Scholarships Available

- *KanCare Insured Families: 60-100% off registration*
- *Scholarships available for everyone!*
- *Summer Camp Scholarships Available*

*Scan to learn more
& get started!*



*No experience needed.
Open to all youth.*

The Value of Scouting

The Cost of Scouting



Below are the ways your child will develop and thrive through the Scouting experience.

In 3 months...

- Six Den meetings, earning at least three Adventure belt loops
- Three pack meetings, with achievements recognized in front of the Pack youth, leaders, and parents.
- Field trips and new experiences, such as Day of Awesomeness. See QR code for more info!

In 3 years...

- Pinewood Derby car building and racing
- Service projects in the community
- Family campouts with the Pack
- Day camps and summer overnight camps

In 12 years...

- Patrol leader, leadership role in the Troop
- Plan and execute an Eagle project, earning the Eagle Award
- Respect for peers, adults, our country, the natural world
- Belief system with an open mind toward all beliefs

Scouting is year-round & outdoors!



Youth Member

Registration, 12 Months.....\$85.00

Possible Additional Costs

Cub Scout Handbook.....\$12-\$23.99
 Pack T-Shirt (est).....\$12.00
 Scout Shirt.....\$14-\$39.99
 12-month Scout Life Magazine Subscription.....\$15.00
 Unit Specific Dues (belt loops, badges, etc.).....varies

Depending on the youth and parent interests, participation in additional Scouting activities comes with a cost to cover liability insurance, activity supplies, meals, and other costs. The event price is kept to a minimum, but is not covered by youth registration.

Options to Help Pay for Scouting

- Fundraising
 - Pecatonic Popcorn
 - Camp Cards
 - Unit-specific fundraisers
- Scholarships
 - KanCare
 - Council Scholarships
 - Various county Trusts to support Scouting



Cost should never be the reason a child misses out!

Adult Members

Registration, 12 Months.....\$65.00



Check out what Day of Awesomeness is all about!!



Register for Day of Awesomeness Now!

Scout Basic Needs

HOW TO GET STARTED

Contrary to what your Scout may tell you, the first thing they will need to get started is not a uniform but a book. The books in Cub Scouting are related to their grade.

Books by Grade

- Kindergartners - Lion Book
- 1st graders - Tiger Book
- 2nd graders - Wolf Book
- 3rd graders - Bear Book
- 4th graders - Webelos Book
- 5th graders - Arrow of Light book.



These books contain the basics they will need for the coming year, especially the requirements for that rank.

Uniforms

The uniform is an important part of the program. Our uniforms are very high quality and, in most cases, will last for several years, so be sure to buy one large enough for them to grow in.

Our Council Scout Shop is the official distributor of Scouting America uniforms/equipment, and the Scout Shop can sew on insignias and patches.

*Be sure to check with some packs, as many have used uniforms available. <https://quivira.org/scoutshop/>



Cub Scout Books

Lion/Tiger Handbook.....\$12.99
Cub Scout Handbook.....\$23.99

Shirts

Lion T-shirt.....\$14.99
Cub Scout Navy Shirt.....\$32.99
Arrow of Light Khaki Shirt.....\$54.99

Belt & Buckle

Cub Scout Belt & Buckle.....\$14.99
Webelos Buckle.....\$6.99
Arrow of Light Belt & Buckle.....\$22.99

Neckerchiefs

Cub Scout Neckerchief.....\$12.99
Cub Neckerchief Slides.....\$7.99



Wichita Scout Shop: 3247 N Oliver St, Wichita, KS 67220 | 316.491.2220

Garden City Scout Shop: 402 E Fulton St ste 4, Garden City, KS 67846 | 620.275.5162

Wichita Hours

Monday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Tuesday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Wednesday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Thursday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Friday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday: Closed

Garden City Hours

Monday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday: Closed
Sunday: Closed

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OR

SAVE 20%

WHEN YOU PURCHASE
A FULL UNIFORM.*

OFFER VALID 7/27/26 - 10/31-26

*RESTRICTIONS APPLY. QUALIFYING ITEMS AND FULL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS VARY BY OFFER. SEE ASSOCIATE FOR DETAILS. VALID FOR CUB SCOUTS, SCOUTS BSA, AND VENTURING

Welcome to Scouting! We can't wait to help you get started on your new adventure!
Uniforms, Family Camping Gear, Pinewood Derby, Sewing Services, and more! We've got you covered!

Life in the Pack

YOUR CHILD IS A MEMBER OF A PACK THAT:

- Is made up of one or more dens that meet either weekly or bi-weekly
- Meets once a month at the Pack meeting (all Cub Scout families are encouraged to participate)
 - ◊ The Cubmaster leads the Pack meeting
 - ◊ The Pack meeting is the highlight of the month's den meetings and activities
 - ◊ Pack meetings follow a suggested theme that has games, skits, songs, ceremonies, and presentations of badges and belt loops that Scouts earned that month

YOUR PACK IS RUN BY THE PACK COMMITTEE

- It is made up of den leaders, pack leaders, the packtrainer, and parents.
- The committee meets once a month or more often, if needed.
- Led by the Committee Chair.
- The committee selects leadership, finds meeting places, performs record keeping, manages pack finances, orders badges, maintains pack equipment, helps train leaders, recognizes leaders, and plans activities.



Scan to Watch What Cub Scouts Do!
<https://youtu.be/gJuACBAXq0s?si=jQQGmvgCvD69FRfG>



Pack Leadership

DEN LEADER(S)

Leads the den at weekly den and monthly Pack meetings. Attends the monthly Pack meeting.

CUBMASTER

Helps plan and carry out the Pack program with the help of the Pack committee. Emceeds the monthly Pack meeting.

COMMITTEE CHAIR

Presides at all Pack committee meetings, helps recruit adult leaders, and also attends Pack meetings.

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Keeps all records for the Pack, including the Pack bank account, financial records, etc. Attends committee and pack meetings.

ADVANCEMENT CHAIR

Maintains advancement records for the Pack, orders and obtains all badges and insignias, and attends Pack meetings and committee meetings.

PACK TRAINER

Ensures that all leaders of the Pack are trained, attends Pack meetings, and committee meetings.

How Can I Help?

Scouting operates through volunteer leadership. Naturally, parents are the primary source of leaders in the Scouting program. You volunteer not only to serve Scouting but also to help your child and their friends by taking the chance to be a positive influence on the youth in your community! Being a helper doesn't have to mean having a title. There are lots of ways for every adult to help!

- Take Safeguarding Youth Training
- Fill out an Adult Application
- Attend unit committee meetings
- Assist with popcorn sales



Adults in Scouting

What Do I Get In Return?

Being a leader is fun, challenging, and rewarding. Leaders find that their experiences help them to become better parents. The following are some of the many dividends that will enrich your life as you dedicate your time, talents, and enthusiasm to Scouting.

- Fun and fellowship with other families, sharing your pride in the Scout's accomplishments
- The privilege of helping to enrich and strengthen families
- A chance to help Scouts learn the true meaning of citizenship and to help shape them into men and women who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others
- The opportunity to help make a difference in the lives of boys and girls as they grow strong in mind and body
- A code to live by, which will set a worthwhile example for both youth and adults



Training

Scouting America places the greatest importance on creating the most secure environment possible for our youth members. For an adult to remain a registered leader, Safeguarding Youth Training is required every year. This training covers the Scouting America Youth Protection policies, different kinds of abuse, how to respond to disclosure of abuse, and proper reporting procedures. This training is available online.

Position-Specific training is designed to present in-depth information for a new leader in a specific leadership position such as Den Leader, Cubmaster, etc.

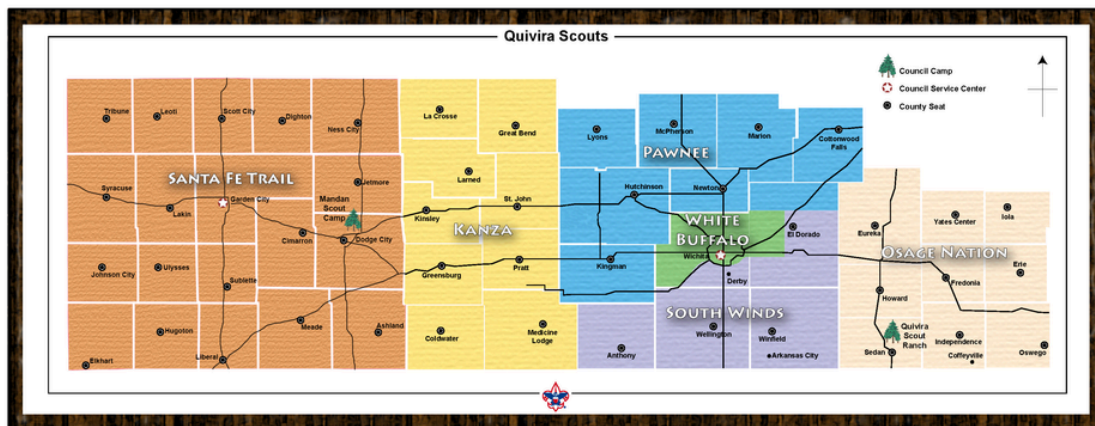
These courses are presented several times a year in your district, at the council level, and online. To complete training courses online, go to my.scouting.org and create an account.

You Are Not Alone!

Thank you for your interest in becoming a leader in Scouting America. We assure you that you are not alone. Please take advantage of the number of resources available to ensure your success as a leader.

- The staff at Quivira Council Scout Service Center are here to help you, or they will get you in touch with someone who can.
- Roundtable, a monthly leaders' meeting for all adult volunteers, is available. It's a great place to ask questions, share ideas, and network with Scouters.
- Many Packs have a Pack Library that contains resources you may need.
- Your district has a team of volunteers called the District Committee, which develops quality district-wide programs.
- Your district has another volunteer team called the Commissioner staff. They are your "service team". They check on the health of your pack and are a communications link between your Pack and the Scouting organization.
- Talk to the Council Commissioner at Quivira.Commissioner@gmail.com
- Contact us at 198askquivira@scouting.org or 316-264-3386 (Wichita) | 620-275-5162 (Garden City)

District	Coverage Area
Kanza	Barton, Rush, Pawnee, Stafford, Edwards, Pratt, Kiowa, Comanche, Barber Counties
Osage Nation	Greenwood, Elk, Chautauqua, Woodson, Wilson, Montgomery, Allen, Neosho, Labette Counties
Pawnee	Kingman, Reno, Rice, McPherson, Marion, Chase, Harvey Counties
Santa Fe Trail	Greeley, Wichita, Scott, Lane, Ness, Hamilton, Kearny, Finney, Hodgeman, Stanton, Grant, Haskell, Gray, Ford, Morton, Stevens, Seward, Meade, Clark Counties
South Winds	Cowley, Harper, Sedgwick, Sumner, Butler Counties
White Buffalo	Greater Sedgwick, Butler Counties

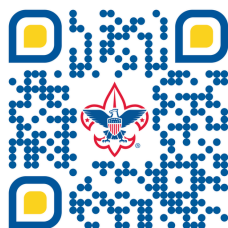


Helpful Links

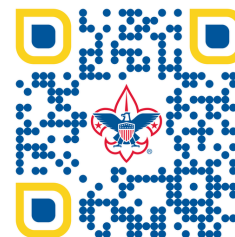
Scoutbook is your go-to tool that ensures not a moment is missed – tracking advancement, milestone achievements and all the fun along the way.
<https://www.scouting.org/resources/scoutbook/>



Scout Life magazine has challenging online games, funny jokes, and amazing projects. Find lots of fun at its online home.
<https://scoutlife.org/>



QNews is the weekly email newsletter that will keep you up-to-date on all the council events and news.
<http://eepurl.com/gkR4ln>





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