## **Roundup Application Collection Instructions**

- Line Enclosed you will find a list of materials contained in the box.
- Go through the family packet to be familiar with its contents. Go through it with the families to make sure they don't miss anything or have questions.
- Please make sure that the applications are complete before turning in.
  - 1. Signatures of parent and unit leader.
  - 2. Birthdate of youth and parent.
  - 3. Parent/Legal Guardian Information is completed.
  - **4.** Scout's Life Box is checked if they want the magazine. It will not be ordered if the box is not checked.
  - 5. Gender box is checked for both youth and parent.
  - 6. Email address for parent. If not available, please mark as such.
  - 7. Unit Type and Number is on application. This is important incase application gets separated form unit packet.
  - **8.** Registration Payment method is marked. This helps with auditing the money collected.
- Fees should be collected with the application. Cash or checks will work. Checks can be made out to Voyageurs Area Council or your Unit. We would prefer that one check for the balance collected be made out to the Council from the Unit. If Credit card payment is the preferred option, we would ask that you do not take the card information for security reason but notify the parent that the council will call for the CC number. Please make sure they have a daytime number on the application. Best option for credit card payments is to register online.
- If possible, have a laptop set up for families to register online there. This will help with credit card payment, and it will be done without having to follow up with the families.
- Make to use the attendance roster sheet provided. This is essential for following up with families who came but did not register. Keep one copy for your records and return one with the applications.
- Audit the applications to confirm that they are completed and fill out the tally sheet on the return envelope.

Thank you for all you are doing to make this a successful fall membership round-up!



## What our organization's name change means — and doesn't mean — to Scouts and leaders

#### By Arron Derr

For more than 114 years, our organization has been dedicated to serving the youth of our country. As our country has evolved, so has our organization, all of which has led to this: The Boy Scouts of America is changing its name to Scouting America, as announced this morning at the 2024 National Annual Meeting.

The new name should be used immediately and will become official on Feb. 8, 2025, the organization's 115th birthday.

This is exciting news, and it's a big deal to a lot of people. Let's dive into what it means to the youth and adult members of Scouting America.

#### Why are we changing our name?

The change was made to reflect the organization's ongoing commitment to welcoming every youth in America to experience the benefits of Scouting.

Scouting America is the reflection of years of work to create an organization where we prepare every youth in America to lead a life of purpose and impact. Our new name is representative of the path we want Scouting to chart for the next century. Our organization welcomes all youth. Scouting is an environment where everyone should feel respected and valued.

We recently celebrated the five-year anniversary of welcoming girls into the Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA programs. (Scouts BSA was formerly known as "Boy Scouts.") There are currently 176,234 girls and young women across all BSA programs, including more than 6,000 who have earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

In 2021, we celebrated our inaugural class of female Eagle Scouts. The incredible group of nearly 1,000 women collectively earned more than 30,000 merit badges, and they provided an estimated 130,000 hours of community service – even amid a pandemic.

#### Are the goals and purposes of the organization changing?

No. The mission of the organization remains the same. As it has always been, Scouting America's goal will be to continue providing young people fantastic experiences in both the outdoors and in their communities, where they can grow and learn with us in a safe environment. Scouting America will continue to prepare youth for

lives of purpose and impact, and to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

"Though our name will be new, our mission remains unchanged: We are committed to teaching young people to be Prepared. For Life," says Roger A. Krone, the organization's president and chief executive officer. "This will be a simple but very important evolution as we seek to ensure that everyone feels welcome in Scouting."

#### Is the Scout Oath and Law changing?

No.

#### Is Duty to God changing?

No.

#### Are the organization's programs changing?

No. The Cub Scout program updates were developed by the Cub Scout leadership team separately and long before the organization's name change was considered. Programs for Scouts BSA, Exploring, Sea Scouts and Venturing remain unchanged.

#### What does the name change mean to me, a Scout leader?

Though the name change doesn't become official until Feb. 8, 2025, the new name should be used immediately. It's important to note that though the overall organization is now known as Scouting America, the names of the programs offered by the organization — Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts and Exploring — remain unchanged.

#### What's Changing?

Our name.

#### What's NOT Changing?

Scout Oath and Law, Values of Scouting, leadership lessons, fun and adventure, life-changing experiences, what it means to be a Scout.

Please contact your local Scout office or District Executive with any questions.



#### **District and Council Events**

The unit you have joined does a great job of providing programs for you to participate in your community. They work together with the parents of the unit to teach the core advancement of the scouting program, participate in local activities, and have fun!

Your unit is part of a district that covers the surrounding communities. During the year we have a few events that you can participate in with other scouts from those communities. These are great events to collaborate with fellow scouts and parents

that are doing the same thing you are doing in your community to have fun and share ideas.

We have 4 districts across our council, and we have activities for all. Some of these activities include Summer and Winter Day Camps, Scout Hockey Night at BSU and UMD, and Baseball Night at the Wade to name a few.

Most months we hold what is called a Roundtable (usually the  $2^{nd}$  Thursday of the month) and this is where adults come together to share ideas, learn tips and tricks for providing the program, and talk about upcoming events your unit can participate in. Once a year we hold a training day for all adults to give you tools to help deliver the program to our youth. This event is called University of Scouting and this year it is on Saturday, October  $14^{th}$ .

To learn more about any of our events, you can go to our website at <a href="https://www.vac-bsanew.org">www.vac-bsanew.org</a> and click on the calendar. You can participate in any of the events for the age of your child that are near and far from you. Sometimes it is fun to make a family trip to a destination town to participate in an activity. You do have to create a "MyCouncil" account and you can do that by clicking the link on the top right part of the website page. When you go to sign up for events, the website asks for a 4-digit unit number. You can confirm with your unit leadership about it's 4 digit number.

If you ever have any questions about an event, you can click on the details for that event and then click on the resources to see who the contact person is for that event.

We look forward to having you participate in the many activities we have for you and your Scout across the Voyageurs Area Council!

## **2024 Annual Membership Fees**

#### **EFFECTIVE**



FOR ALL NEW AND EXISTING MEMBERS

NATIONAL \$85/YR

COUNCIL \$85/YR

NATIONAL \$50/YR

COUNCIL \$

/YR

Participants in kindergarten through age 20.











For all Exploring youth and adults.



COUNCIL \$27/YR

NATIONAL \$30/YR

COUNCIL \$

/YR

NATIONAL \$25/YR

COUNCIL \$

/YR



All registered adult volunteers in unit and non-unit positions. (Volunteers with multiple registrations will continue to pay for only one position).

Scoutreach participants in kindergarten through age 20.











This fee is for

Merit Badge Counselors who are not
already registered volunteers.

Merit badge counselors who are not also registered in a unit position are not allowed to attend overnight Scouting activities/events.

Additional fees might be charged by local councils and units.

## UNIT RENEWAL FEE

\$100<sub>/YR</sub>

For all new and existing units.

#### SCOUT LIFE MAGAZINE FEE



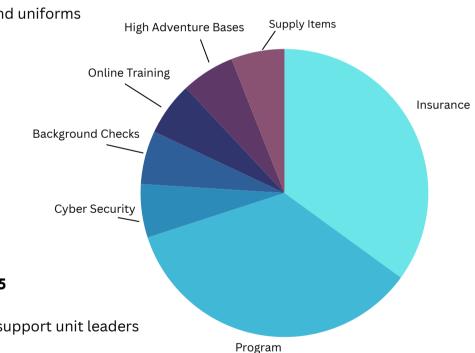


# Annual Membership for the BSA \$170/year

What are some of the big things it covers?

#### **National Organization \$85**

- General Liability Insurance Protection and Accident and Sickness Insurance
- National Specialists to develop and maintain programs and literature
- Cyber Security
- Background Checks
- Online Training Materials
- 4 High adventure Bases
- Supply Items like books and uniforms



Voyageurs Area Council: \$85

- Local council specialists to support unit leaders
- Adult leader training
- 5 camping properties
- Scout Shop at council headquarters
- District and Council camping and programs
- Fundraisers to support unit finances
- Opportunities for families to be in Scouting



#### VOYAGEURS AREA COUNCIL

#### **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.

#### **Scout Law**

A Scout is:

Trustworthy,

Loyal,

Helpful,

Friendly,

Courteous,

Kind,

Obedient,

Cheerful,

Thrifty,

Brave,

Clean,

and Reverent.



(Trustworthy-loyal-helpful, friendly-courteous-kind, obedient-cheerful-thrifty, and brave-clean-reverent.)

#### **Cub Scout Motto**

Do your Best



#### **Scout Slogan**

Do A good Turn Daily!

#### **The Outdoor Code**

As an American, I will do my best to –
Be clean in my outdoor manners
Be careful with fire
Be considerate in the outdoors,
and Be conservation minded.

#### **Scout Motto**

Be Prepared!



## **Voyageurs Area Council Scout Shop**



#### Why wear a uniform?

The Boy Scouts of America has always been a uniformed body. Uniforms create a sense of belonging and equality, bringing people of different backgrounds together. Wearing a uniform give members a sense of identification and commitment to the ideals and purpose of the Scouting movement. The Uniform also shows the wearers activity, responsibility, and achievement. The unit identification and accomplishments of every member can be recognized by the insignia worn on the uniform.

The Voyageurs Area Council Scout Shop has all of your Scouting Uniform, Handbook, and Resource needs in Stock!

Store Hours - Monday to Friday 10am-5pm
Stop in our shop or send in your order via mail, email, or phone call.

3877 Stebner Rd, Hermantown MN 55811

218-740-4528 286vacscoutshop@scouting.org

Please include sizing and quantities needed as well as a daytime phone number so that we can contact you with any questions.

See other side to place order.



#### **Scouts Uniform**

Youth Tan Shirt- MD LG XL	\$39.99
Adult Tan Shirt – SM MD LG XL 2XL	\$49.99
Green Scout Baseball Cap (Optional) S/M M/L XL Flex Fit or Adjustable Fit	\$24.99
Scout Neckerchief Navy Blue Red Black Green	\$12.99
Scout Slide	\$8.70
Green Shoulder Loops	\$5.32
Council Shoulder Patch	\$3.27
Unit Number (\$2.17 Per Patch) Unit#	\$
World Crest Patch	\$2.71
World Crest Ring (Optional)	\$2.17
Badge Magic- (Optional)	\$10.88
Scout Belt 60" 42"	\$21.36

#### **Extras**

Merit Badge Sash 36″ 40″	\$16.02
Sash Pin (Optional)	\$5.33
Position Patch (Optional) Write here:	\$3.20

#### Handbooks

Scout Handbook Boys 14 <sup>th</sup> Ed	\$26.71
Scout Handbook Girls 14 <sup>th</sup> Ed	\$26.71
Handbook Cover (Optional)	\$13.60

Please indicate sizes and quantities needed.

We would be delighted to meet you and take care of you at the Scout Shop, but if you cannot make it in, please don't hesitate to mail, email, or call us with your desired order.

Thank you for your order and choosing to support your Council Scout Shop!

Troop number Rank(Check One)ScoutTenderfootSecond-Class	ssFirst-ClassStarLife
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Parent/Guardian Name	\$9.00
Address	Total Due \$
Daytime Phone Number	—— All Prices are subject
Credit Card Number(No Checks Please)	to change. Tax
Expiration DateCVC Code	included. We accept
Signature	all major credit cards.  No Checks Please.

#### Application for Scholarship

Scholarships are for youth who would otherwise be financially unable to join Scouts in Voyageurs Area Council. A limited number of scholarships are available for up to one half of the total Council and National registration fee. Scholarships may be used only for youth applying for membership in a Voyageurs Area Council scouting unit. **Sufficient financial need must be demonstrated.** Scouts are encouraged to work with their individual units on fund raising projects which may earn them money to be applied toward the fees associated with being a member.

Applicant's Name:		Age:		
Address:				_
Parent's Name:	Unit Leader's	Name:		_
Unit type and number:	Join Date:		-	
List all fund raisers the Scout has been invol  Type (e.g., popcorn, candy) Month, Year  1	Amount raised by this Scout			
Scout's total fee requirement: Amount the Scout and his family can pay Amount the chartering organization and/or u Scholarship amount requested (1/2 fee is ma Does this applicant qualify for the Federal FrYesNo	ximum allowed):		-	
If "yes," skip to next section. If "no," explain circumstances affecting the family's income detailed explanation below. Use the back sid	and expenses. Scholarship	s will not be award ce if necessary.	led without eithe	
*By signing below and accepting this Sc events. For e	holarship, you are agreei example, the Fall Popcor			– e in Council Fundraising
Signature of parent or guardian certifying that all information provided here is correct:		Date:	:	_

The unit leader must sign below to signify a recommendation that a scholarship is warranted. If the parent is a unit leader, a different leader needs to sign.

Unit Leader: Please complete your portion on back page

## Unit Leader's Recommendation for Scholarship

Applicant's Name:	Unit ty	pe and number:	
Is this application for a new	recruit?		
If not, how long has the appl	licant been in your unit?		
Has the applicant participateYesNo	d in or has committed to participate in	Council/unit fundraisers?	
Please state why you feel a knowledge you may have o	scholarship is warranted for this app f the family's situation.	olicant, given his past participation	, enthusiasm, and any
Unit Leader's Signature		Date:	
Unit Leader Position			
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Scout Executive Approval _			
Disbursement method			
Date Notification of award _			
Letter sent to: Family:			
Unit:			
Date of process completion.			

### Recruit a Scout, Earn the Patch



No one is a better recruiter for Scouting than a Cub Scout or Boy Scout who is enjoying the fun and educational activities that Scouting offers. Scouts can earn the Recruiter Patch shown here by completing the following steps:



- 1. Invite a friend to join your Cub Scout pack or Boy Scout troop. Have them join a fun meeting or activity.
- 2. New members must complete and turn in a Scouting registration form and pay the appropriate registration fees.
- 3. Fill out this Recruiter Strip Application form.
- 4. Forward the application form to your District Executive.

Scouts can earn the Recruiter Strip in both Cub Scouts and again in Boy Scouts. The recruiter may be worn centered under the right pocket of the uniform.

Patches will be delivered to your unit leader from your District Executive. The Voyageurs
Area Council will cover the cost of the patch for the Scout until
October 31, 2024.

Recruiter Strip Application

Troop [ ] Pack [ ] Unit #	
Recruiter's Name:	
New Scout's Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	

## SCHOOL NIGHT TO JOIN SCOUTNG ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Pack #	School	City	Date
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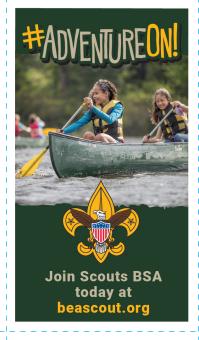
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| SCOUTS BSA      |
| You Are Invited |
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