

COASTAL GEORGIA COUNCIL SCOUTING AMERICA



2024-2025 Program Planning Guide

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YOUR COUNCIL



COASTAL GEORGIA SERVICE TEAM

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COASTAL GEORGIA COUNCIL

Dear Coastal Georgia Council Volunteer,

Thank you for your dedication to our youth through your time, talents, and resources. Your efforts will create lifechanging opportunities for our Scouts and families over the course of our upcoming Scouting year.

The purpose of this packet, our program planning meetings, as well as many other resources offered by the Coastal Georgia Council, is to prepare you for the upcoming Scouting year. In addition to this publication, please make sure your unit leadership team, your Scout families and you are utilizing the resources below, designed to provide a safe and fun Scouting environment for our families.

-  **Our Council Website, coastalgeorgiascouting.org** – Here you will find the most up to date information, events and resources for your Scouting experience.
-  **Our Facebook Pages, @CoastalGeorgiaScouts and @BlackCreekScoutReservation** – In addition to stories, announcements and general information, these pages are a great platform to share your experience and information with other Coastal Georgia Council scouters.
-  **Our Council Newsletter, sign up @ 247scouting.com/newsletter/099/sign-up** – This weekly publication gives us the opportunity to share new information and upcoming events so that your families have the chance to take full advantage of Council resources and offerings.
-  **Your District Professional** – In this packet you will find a contact sheet for our staff. Never hesitate to reach out to us and let us know what you need to offer the best program possible.

Thank you again for the investment you have made in the future of our youth through Scouting, and for the boundless opportunities your efforts will create for Scouts this year. I am excited to see what the future holds for Scouting in the Coastal Georgia Council!

Yours In Scouting,

Lew Sisson
Scout Executive
Coastal Georgia Council, SA

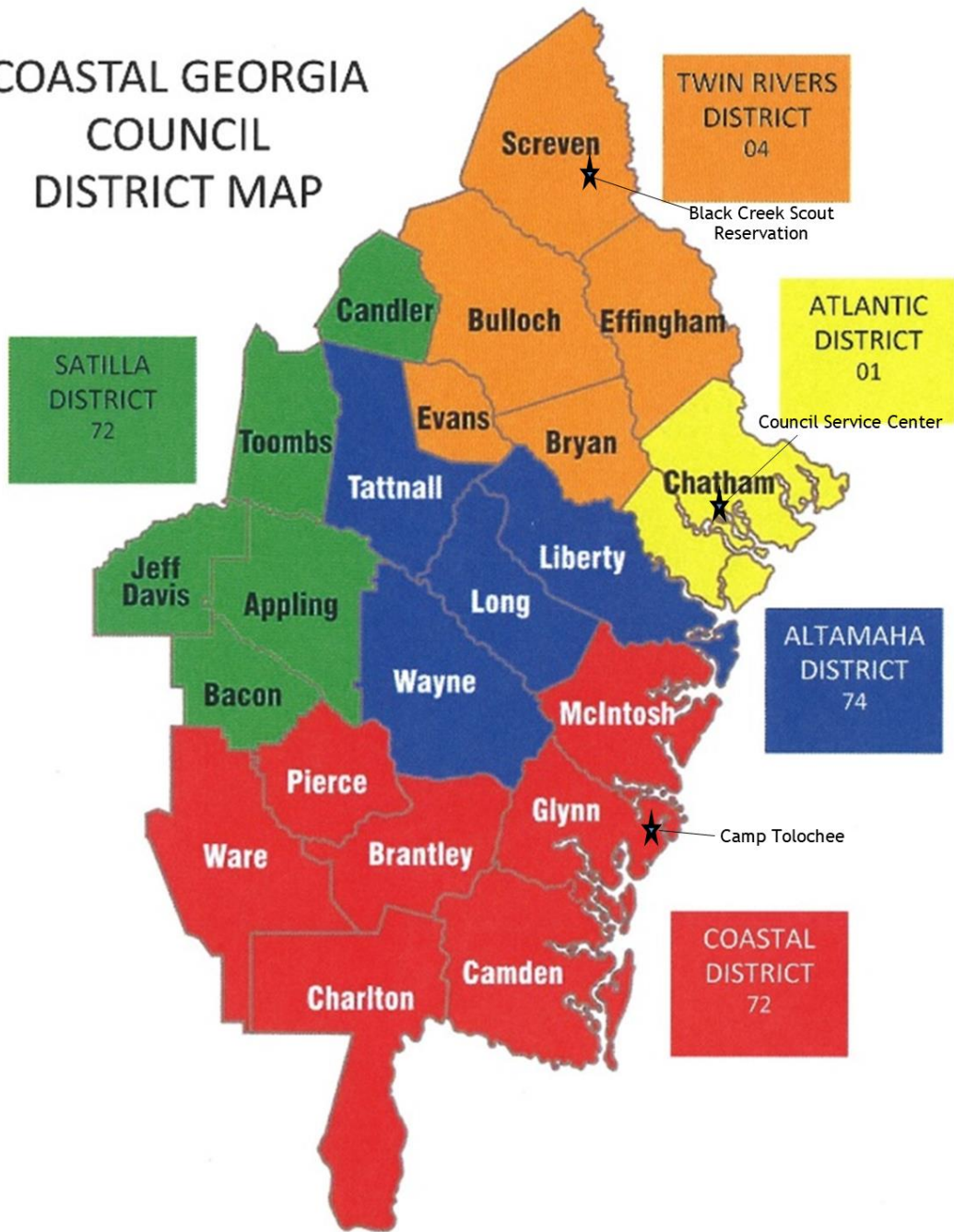
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Coastal Georgia Council, BSA Communities

City	County	District	City	County	District
Allenhurst	Liberty	Altamaha	Metter	Candler	Twin Rivers
Alma	Bacon	Satilla	Midway	Liberty	Altamaha
Baxley	Appling	Satilla	Millwood	Ware	Coastal
Bellville	Evans	Twin Rivers	Nahunta	Brantley	Coastal
Blackshear	Pierce	Coastal	Newington	Screven	Twin Rivers
Bloomington	Chatham	Atlantic	Odum	Wayne	Altamaha
Bristol	Pierce	Coastal	Offerman	Pierce	Coastal
Brooklet	Bulloch	Twin Rivers	Oliver	Screven	Twin Rivers
Brunswick	Glynn	Coastal	Patterson	Pierce	Coastal
Claxton	Evans	Twin Rivers	Pembroke	Bryan	Twin Rivers
Clyo	Effingham	Twin Rivers	Pooler	Chatham	Atlantic
Cobbtown	Tattnall	Altamaha	Portal	Bulloch	Twin Rivers
Collins	Tattnall	Altamaha	Pulaski	Candler	Twin Rivers
Crescent	Mcintosh	Coastal	Register	Bulloch	Twin Rivers
Daisy	Evans	Twin Rivers	Reidsville	Tattnall	Altamaha
Darien	Mcintosh	Coastal	Riceboro	Liberty	Altamaha
Denton	Jeff Davis	Satilla	Richmond Hill	Bryan	Atlantic
Dover	Screven	Twin Rivers	Rincon	Effingham	Twin Rivers
Eden	Effingham	Twin Rivers	Rocky Ford	Screven	Twin Rivers
Ellabell	Bryan	Twin Rivers	Saint George	Charlton	Coastal
Fleming	Liberty	Altamaha	Saint Marys	Camden	Coastal
Folkston	Charlton	Coastal	Saint Simons Island	Glynn	Coastal
Fort Stewart	Liberty	Altamaha	Sapelo Island	Mcintosh	Coastal
Glennville	Tattnall	Altamaha	Savannah	Chatham	Atlantic
Guyton	Effingham	Twin Rivers	Screven	Wayne	Altamaha
Hagan	Evans	Twin Rivers	Sea Island	Glynn	Coastal
Hazlehurst	Jeff Davis	Satilla	Springfield	Effingham	Twin Rivers
Hinesville	Liberty	Altamaha	Statesboro	Bulloch	Twin Rivers
Hoboken	Brantley	Coastal	Surrency	Appling	Satilla
Hortense	Brantley	Coastal	Sylvania	Screven	Twin Rivers
Jekyll Island	Glynn	Coastal	Townsend	Mcintosh	Coastal
Jesup	Wayne	Altamaha	Tybee Island	Chatham	Atlantic
Kings Bay	Camden	Coastal	Vidalia	Toombs	Satilla
Kingsland	Camden	Coastal	Walthourville	Liberty	Altamaha
Ludowici	Long	Altamaha	Waresboro	Ware	Coastal
Lyons	Toombs	Satilla	Waverly	Camden	Coastal
Manassas	Tattnall	Altamaha	Waycross	Ware	Coastal
Manor	Ware	Coastal	Waynesville	Brantley	Coastal
Meldrim	Effingham	Twin Rivers	White Oak	Camden	Coastal
Meridian	Mcintosh	Coastal	Woodbine	Camden	Coastal
Mershon	Pierce	Satilla			

COASTAL GEORGIA COUNCIL DISTRICT MAP



Commissioner Service



WHAT IS A COMMISSIONER?

Commissioners are district and council leaders who help Scout units succeed. They coach and consult with adult leaders of Cub Scout packs, Scouts BSA troops, and Venture crews. Commissioners help maintain the standards of Scouting America. They also oversee the unit charter renewal plan so that each unit reregisters on time with an optimum number of youth and adult members.

Roles the Commissioner Plays

A commissioner plays several roles, including friend, representative, unit "doctor," teacher, and counselor.

- The commissioner is a **friend** of the unit. Of all their roles, this one is the most important. It springs from the attitude, "I care, I am here to help, what can I do for you?" Caring is the ingredient that makes commissioner service successful. He or she is an advocate of unit needs. A commissioner who makes himself known and accepted now will be called on in future times of trouble.
- The commissioner is a **representative**. The average unit leader is totally occupied in working with kids. Some have little if any contact with Scouting America other than a commissioner's visit to their meeting. To them, the commissioner may be the SA. The commissioner helps represent the ideals, the principles, and the policies of the Scouting movement.
- The commissioner is a unit **"doctor."** In their role, as "doctor," they know that prevention is better than a cure, so they try to see that their units make good "health practices" a way of life. When problems arise, and they will even in the best unit, they act quickly. They observe symptoms, diagnose the real ailment, prescribe a remedy, and follow up on the patient.
- The commissioner is a **teacher**. As a commissioner, they will have a wonderful opportunity to participate in the growth of unit leaders by sharing knowledge with them. They teach not just in an academic environment, but where it counts most—as an immediate response to a need to know. That is the best adult learning situation since the lesson is instantly reinforced by practical application of the new knowledge.
- The commissioner is a **counselor**. As a Scouting counselor, they will help units solve their own problems. Counseling is the best role when unit leaders don't recognize a problem and where solutions are not clear-cut. Everyone needs counseling from time to time, even experienced leaders.

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The Growth Mission of the Coastal Georgia Council Scouting America

Local Council

A BSA local council is a voluntary association of citizens, including representatives of organizations chartered by the Boy Scouts of America, to promote the Scouting program within a geographical area.

It is the **council's responsibility** to provide leadership and supervision for all program activities within the territory covered by its charter in such a manner as to ensure compliance with provisions of the *Charter and Bylaws of the Boy Scouts of America* and the *Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America*.

The local council is an administrative organization charged with fulfilling the purpose of the movement. Scouting is a volunteer movement that operates with professional guidance. Tins plan divides the administration of Scouting into workable segments in terms of geography, volunteer personnel, finance, and professional guidance.

Four major functions help a council deliver the Scouting program: Membership, Finance, Program and Unit Service. These functions and all other responsibilities are accomplished in each council in a manner that is influenced by local conditions and circumstances. How a council organizes to carry out and sustain tins plan in the most efficient way is determined by its size, the resources available, its present structure, and other local factors.

Membership and Charter Partners – Delivering the Adventure to Youth

Local councils are chartered to serve community organizations and involve an increasing number of youth in a quality program of Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Learning for Life and LFL Exploring.

Five best practices for healthy membership growth in local council operations

1. Organizing new units
2. Recruiting new members
3. Age appropriate program transitions
4. Retention initiatives
5. Units with programs of excellence





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HOURS

Monday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Tuesday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Wednesday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Thursday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Saturday: 1st Sat. of Month 10a-2p

Sunday: CLOSED

SAVE 20%*

On Matching Uniform Bottoms with Purchase of a Uniform Top

*Selection and quantities may vary online and in-store. Offer valid online and in participating Scout Shops on select merchandise and while supplies last. Offer valid from 07/29/24-11/03/2024 at 11:59 pm EST. Not valid on previous purchases or wholesale orders. May not be combined with any other offer and cannot be redeemed as cash. Check with your local Scout Shop for more information. Uniform top and bottom must be from the same program and purchased together.

YOUR ONE-STOP SHOP FOR ALL YOUR SCOUTING NEEDS

Can't make it to the Scout Shop? No Worries.

Check with your Unit to see when the Mobile Scout Shop is scheduled to visit your area.
We can mail your orders directly to you! Sewing Services and Pre-Sewn Shirts Available!

Your Uniform Checklist



Lion

UNIFORM

- Lion Short-sleeve T-shirt
- Lion Cap
- Cub Scout Web Belt
- Cub Scout Socks
- Rank Neckerchief
- Rank Neckerchief Slide

UNIFORM BOTTOMS

- Switchback® Pants
- Roll-up Pants
- Skort
- Shorts

Tiger, Wolf, Bear & Webelos

UNIFORM

- Short-sleeve Shirt
- Switchback® Pants
- Shorts
- Roll-up Pants
- Skort
- Cub Scout Rank Cap – Tiger, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos
- Cub Scout Rank Neckerchief – Tiger, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos
- Cub Scout Rank Neckerchief Slide – Tiger, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos
- Cub Scout Web Belt – Tiger, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos

- Cub Scout Socks

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Pack Numerals (Red)
- Den Number
- Adventure Colors (Webelos only)

Arrow of Light® & Scouts BSA®

UNIFORM

- Short-sleeve Shirt
- Long-sleeve Shirt
- Switchback® Pants
- Shorts
- Roll-up Pants
- Skort
- Scouts BSA Cap
- Neckerchief
- Neckerchief Slide
- Adventure Colors (Arrow of Light)

- Merit Badge Sash (Scouts BSA)
- Shoulder Loops (Arrow of Light – Blue, Scouts BSA – Green)
- Scouts BSA Web Belt
- Scouts BSA Socks

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- Patrol Emblem
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Troop Numerals (Khaki)

Handbooks



Lion



Tiger



Wolf



Bear



Webelos



Arrow of Light



Scouts BSA for Boys



Scouts BSA for Girls

Cub Scout Pack #	Cub Scout Den #	Scouts BSA Troop #
Den Leader	Phone #	Patrol Name
Cubmaster	Phone #	Troop Leader
Shirt Size	Pant Size	Phone #

Use caps appropriate for details

COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOR THE FUTURE

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,
and reverent

Cub Scouting

Cub Scouting is a program for youth in grades K-5. It gives them an opportunity in weekly programs to learn citizenship, personal fitness, teamwork, community service, positive moral values and learning to get along well with others while having fun and developing friendships. Cub Scouting is a family-oriented program stressing parental participation in many of its programs and activities.



Scouts BSA

Scouts BSA is a program for youth ages 11-18. Through adhering to the Scout Oath and Law, positive moral values and ethical decision-making are taught. Through the merit badge program, youth have opportunities to gain many personal and leadership skills, develop hobbies and are exposed to various interests that may help them develop career choices. Through the outdoor program, youth develop skills in camping, conservation, and teamwork.



Venturing

Venturing is a program for young men and women ages 14-20. The program emphasizes leadership and life skills development, outdoor/high adventure activities, spiritual well-being, and other special interest areas. The program is specifically designed to meet the needs of Jr./Sr. High church youth programs.



VENTURING • BSA

Sea Scouts

Sea Scouts is a specialized program, organized to address youth members' boating skills and promote knowledge of our maritime heritage. Sea Scout units, called "ships," focus on sailing and cruising either sailboats, power vessels or paddle sports.



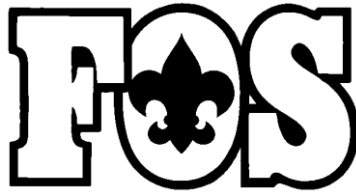
Exploring

The Exploring program is a work-based program for young men and women ages 14-20. It is organized into career interest posts. They meet semi-monthly and have opportunities to study and have hands-on experience in a career field of their choice. Some current Explorer posts organized include those in the interest areas of medicine, veterinary medicine, law enforcement, law, emergency medical service, fashion and merchandising, fire department service, military, broadcasting and journalism.



Scouting America Mission Statement

The mission of Scouting America is 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.



KEEP THE CAMPFIRE BURNING

Friends of Scouting is the annual giving campaign to support the services, objectives and operations of the Coastal Georgia Council for:

The Coastal Georgia Council is organized to oversee the Scouting program in coastal and southeast Georgia. The dedicated staff and volunteers of the Council work to extend Scouting to all youth and support the leaders who are conducting the program.

Who pays for Scouting?

Probably the biggest investment a family or individual makes toward Scouting is time. The time you spend in Scouting with your kids or in preparing a great program is very valuable and worthwhile. Dollar-wise, there are unit dues, national registration fees and outing expenses.

The Coastal Georgia Council is supported by area Friends of Scouting, activity fees, special events, camp card sales, popcorn sales and United Way. FOS makes up 27% of the Council's budget. Individuals, businesses, and Scout families can pledge their support to the Coastal Georgia Council's services through Friends of Scouting.

Why give to Friends of Scouting?

In order to continue to provide camps, training, literature, the Scout Service Centers, professional and volunteer support, liability insurance for leaders and many other services, support through Friends of Scouting support is critical to Scouting in the twenty-two county Coastal Georgia Council.

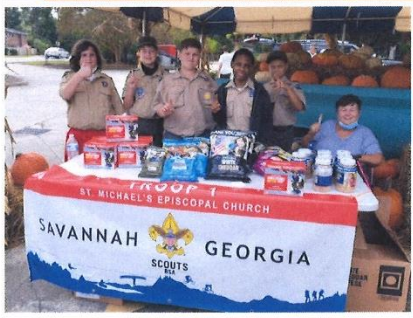
For more information about Scouting and Friends of Scouting go to coastalgeorgiaSA.org

Return this completed form by **September 30, 2024** to your local District Executive.

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING 2025

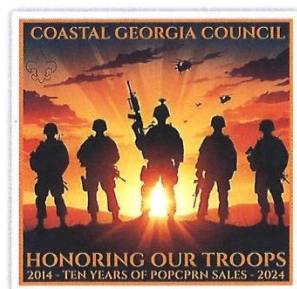
- 1. YES! Our unit will participate in the 2025 FOS campaign!**
- As supporters and beneficiaries of Scouting, we intend to participate in the 2025 FOS campaign and will strive to enlist the financial support of each family in our unit. *Required for free cloth incentive program.
- 3. The following person has been named as our Unit FOS Captain:**
Name _____ Pack/Troop/Crew (circle one) # _____
Address _____ City/Zip _____
Phones (H) _____ (B) _____ Email _____
4. The above-named person has been advised and asked to attend training in January. (The date is TBD)
5. The tentative date for our Blue & Gold Banquet or Court of Honor will be _____.

2024 Coastal Georgia Council Popcorn Sale



2024 Key Dates

- **JUL 29** -Sale Begins **"Early Bird"**
- **AUG 2** -Units place Show & Sell **Order #1** at Trails-End.com
- **AUG 15-16** - Pick up Show & Sell product from Warehouse
- **SEPT 6** -Units place Show & Sell **Order #2** at Trails- End.com
- **SEPT 19-20** - Pick up Show & Sell product from Warehouse
- **NOV 1** - Units place **FINAL** Take Order & Prize order at Trails- End.com.
- **NOV 1** - Council Prize Orders **DUE** to Service Center.
- **NOV 16** - Pick up **FINAL** Order Product from Warehouse
- **DEC 6** - Popcorn **MONEY DUE** to Council

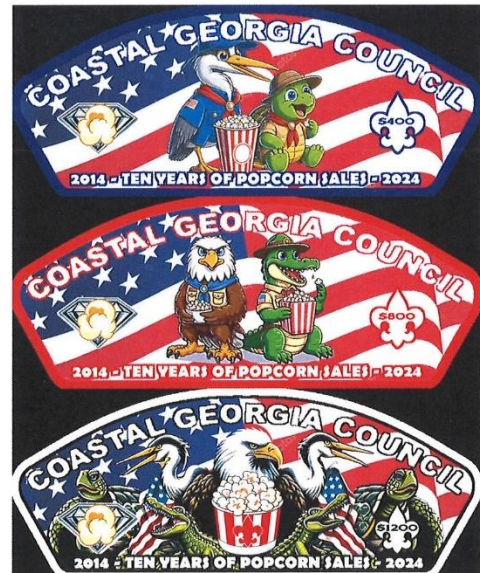


2024 Commission Structure

Base Commission - 29%

BONUS COMMISSION

- ATTEND A KICKOFF - Earn Additional 1%
- GROWTH OF \$1 in Sales - Earn Additional 1%
- GROWTH OF \$2000 in Sales - Earn Additional 1%
- GROWTH OF \$5000 in Sales - Earn Additional 1%



Coastal Georgia Council Camp Card Kickoff

February 2025

(District Kick-off Dates will occur in February - TBA)

More than \$50,000 earned by Packs, Troops, and Crews in the 2024 Sale.

The Camp Card program provides the opportunity for every Cub, Scout, Venturer, Sea Scout or Explorer to earn their way to the appropriate camp activities for their program level. Cards have savings of more than \$200 and sell for only \$10.

Our summer camps and activities should be the pinnacle of a Scout's year in the program. We know that Scouts who attend camp and activities stay in the program longer and advance further.

Units participating in this program will earn 50% commission on each Camp Card they sell! The cards will be distributed at each districts' Camp Card Kickoff in March.

HELP YOUR SCOUTS GO TO CAMP FOR FREE!



DO'S AND DON'TS OF UNIT FUNDRAISING

The most important aspects of unit fund-raising are for each youth to feel a responsibility to assist in raising the money and also for them to be successful in doing so. To that end, the National Council has created a number of policies that specifically state what units should consider when organizing their fund-raising plans.

Acceptable Fund-Raising Policies

1. Units can participate in fund-raising service projects such as car washes, bake sales recycled product collection, pancake breakfast, and selling tickets to a council show.
2. Unit may sell commercial products as long as the price of the product reflects its fair market value. Those commercial products must not be sold by Scouts wearing SA uniforms.
3. Units (Scouts) can sell products in SA uniform as long as the sales efforts are designated as "council-wide product sales." The council's annual popcorn or camp card sale would be a good example.
4. Units (Scouts) may secure sponsors for council and district activities as long as they are approved by the council executive board.
5. Units may conduct money-earning projects (including obtaining equipment) only when projects have been approved by the chartering organization and the local council.
6. A unit money-earning application must be completed by the unit committee and submitted to the local council 14 days prior to the fund-raiser.

Unacceptable Fund-Raising Policies

1. Any fund-raising project that involves games of chance, lotteries, raffles, bingo, or any other form of gambling is not permitted.
2. Any fund-raising projects that are in the nature of pyramid sales or multi-level marketing are not permitted.
3. Solicitation for funds from local businesses or door-to-door solicitation is not permitted. Units cannot ask for money in the name of Scouting America.
4. Fund-raising in the name of Scouting America in support of other organizations is not permitted. Example: A pack or troop may not ring the bell for the Salvation Army's fundraising campaign.
5. Units may not sign contracts directly involving or obligating the National or Local Council, Scouting America.
6. Units may not enter into a contract or business relationship that uses any logo, insignia, common usage terms, or descriptive marks relating to Scouting.
7. Units may not directly or indirectly endorse any commercial product.

Scan Below for Program Planning Calendar and Budget File



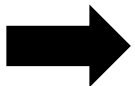
MEMBERSHIP: HOW TO GROW YOUR SCOUT UNIT



ONLINE MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

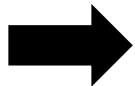
The traditional paper registration method is no longer the only way to join Scouting. This is a wonderful way to allow **NEW** members and leaders to register in a way that's convenient for them, and it creates a more efficient and user-friendly registration experience for units, districts, and councils.

The following information is regarding the ONLINE registration system. The Coastal Georgia Council is diligently working to make this a smooth process. Please bear with us as we get more in tune to the technology age and implement more resources for units to utilize online. All units have access to the online registration system.



Step One:

Units should ensure that their BeAScout pin is updated with the most current information. The purpose of this process is that BeAScout has the option to include your unit's membership application URL. We want new parents to receive solid information when they sign up through the link at BeAScout. You can access your unit's BeAScout information through the legacy tools tab via your *my.scouting.org* account.



Step Two:

Units should share their unique URL (there is even a QR code to make signing up by phone easy!) with families wishing to join. Once your new members have registered online, the Unit Leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, etc.) will need to log in to *my.scouting.org* and approve each one.

Be sure to check out the *Online Registration Unit Guidebook* at <http://www.scouting.org/onlineregistration.aspx>

HOW A CUB SCOUT PACK CAN “BE PREPARED” FOR FALL SIGN-UP NIGHTS

TIMELINE:

1. Pack Leader / Committee Meeting: Den reorganizations from prior year - Late June Conduct Pack Inventory
2. “Back to The Pack” Pack Meeting..... Late June- August 15
3. Sign-up Night..... Mid-August-September
4. New Leader Orientation Within One Week After
5. The First Meeting After Signup..... Within Two Weeks
6. Den Meetings

HINTS:

- Have your Unit’s Charter Representative or Institutional Head present at Sign-up to approve adult applications or, if they cannot attend, arrange now for an appointment with them for the day after sign-up night.
- Be sure you know WHERE the sign-up is.
- Arrive early to make sure the rooms are set up properly.
- Have a huddle with the Sign-up MC (usually DE) and Pack leadership prior to the opening.
- Don’t let an existing/returning Den Leader try to recruit youth for their den until after the sign-up.
- Be sure you know any pack fees and if the Pack pays for adult fees. (Hint: Have the adults pay their own fees, and reimburse them after they attend Basic Leader Training)
- Don’t give out adult applications until the appropriate time.
- Don’t give out youth applications until the appropriate time.
- Explain HOW to fill out the applications.
- Be sure Scouts / parents are divided by grade.
- Allow Scouts and parents to divide themselves into dens.
- After den rosters are complete, recruit leaders.
- Make sure that the new den leaders receive their packet and are talked to about their next step – training and pack leader orientation meeting.

CUB SCOUT PACK INVENTORY

Coastal Georgia Council

SA Fall Sign-up Night – 2024

Pack #: _____

Cubmaster: _____

<u>Den (Fall 2024) Needed</u>	<u>#Active Scouts</u>	<u>#Active Leaders</u>	<u>Leaders Trained?</u>	<u># of New Scouts</u>
Tigers				
Wolf				
Bear				
Webelos 1				
Webelos 2 (Arrow of Light)				
Total Pack				

INSTRUCTIONS:

Cubmasters, please complete the above table based on your best guess as to who will be returning to your Pack this fall. It's okay to estimate, although if you have not specifically verified your den leaders for this Fall that should be done as soon as possible so that your pack is best prepared for Sign-up Night. For the first column, how many Scouts are currently active or expected to be active this Fall in each den? Next, how many leaders do you have lined up for each den? How many of these leaders are trained? How many NEW Scouts would you like to recruit for each den? When complete, add up all five dens to get totals for the pack.

NEW DEN LEADER BASICS

1. Call parents ASAP! Communicate to parents the following info at a minimum: your name, your child's name, your cell phone #, your email address, where/when the first meeting is, and the #1 rule: kids must have fun!
2. Buy a handbook (before first meeting) and uniform (at least the shirt) for yourself.
3. Tell parents that a book and uniform are not required for the first meeting, but they can bring/wear them if they want to. Tell them address of the Service Center.
4. At first meeting, discuss general plan for the Scout year with parents and kids. Get email and cell #'s of all parents. Let them know the way you will communicate with them.
5. At first meeting, advise parents: Scout shirt & patches are required (service center can help with what patches complete the uniform); hat, neckerchief, neckerchief slide, pants, socks are optional. Most youth will have neckerchiefs and hats, but not the pants/shorts.
6. At first meeting, ask for help from parents. Possible volunteer opportunities include pack committee representative, advancements, Scouting for food leader, field trip leader, popcorn leader; you don't have to assign roles yet, but tell them that help will be needed.
7. At first meeting, tell parents that they need to come with their child to the meetings. Exceptions can be made, but a parent needs to be there 90% of the time. This does not apply to Lions or Tigers who must have an adult partner with them at ALL times.
8. Find an assistant leader and recommend that he/she "sign up" to make it official (complete the paperwork, submit to the background check, and even get a uniform!)
9. Share responsibility for meetings.
10. Within the next couple of weeks, develop a timeline on your own to complete all requirements needed for the Den Rank Badge by February. When baseball season starts, things get busy!
11. Complete your online training ASAP.
12. Encourage participation among parents in all Cub Scout activities.
13. Keep parents informed. As soon as you are notified of something (by the Cubmaster or Service Center), email it to the parents. Before every meeting, tell parents what requirements will be covered (if you know in advance). The day after every meeting, email parents to tell them what requirements were covered so their kid can do the work at home to catch up.
14. Get involved with pack activities and help the pack run and grow, as well as your individual den. Get as many parents involved as you can.
15. Generally, you will have 3 meetings a month, then attend 1 pack meeting.
16. The pinewood derby will probably be held in March, and the Blue and Gold Banquet/pack meeting in February.

Two Main suggestions: 1.) Keep parents informed and 2.) let the kids have fun! At least half of all meetings should be fun games or fun learning activities.



WHAT IS JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE?

Would you like a tool to help you figure out what activities your unit, your committee and you can do to give the best scouting experience to your registered youth? If so, then using and reviewing Scouting America's Journey to Excellence is **just the tool for you!** Journey to Excellence, abbreviated as **JTE**, is a roadmap or a guide or benchmark to show and indicate what a Pack/Troop/Crew/Ship can and should be doing. JTE can help answer questions like how many meetings should we have? How trained should our adults be? What outdoor activities should we do? How should we budget?

What Journey to Excellence Brings to Your Unit

1. A framework for **planning** the year.
 - The Journey to Excellence standards are based on what successful units do to continually improve.
 - If your unit plans to achieve gold or silver Journey to Excellence, you'll have a strong and active program.
2. A method for **evaluating** your unit.
 - Journey to Excellence provides tangible measurements based on things you are likely already tracking, such as how many campouts you have, how many youth are advancing, etc., and uses simple ways to calculate your performance.
3. **Guidance** in areas where you might do better.
 - As you track your performance against the Journey to Excellence standards, you can easily see where you could do better.
4. Specific **guidelines and standards** of what is considered good performance.
 - Journey to Excellence has specific, simple measures to help you. You can easily compare what you are doing against the standards.
5. **Early warning** of potential problem areas.
 - You track any areas where your unit is not performing as you might like and have plenty of time to make corrections.
6. **Recognition** for good Scouting.
 - You can proudly receive your bronze, silver, or gold recognition for your Scouting unit for the year.
7. **Benchmarking** to get ideas and tips from other good units.
 - You can receive help and best practices in areas where other units have met the gold standard.
 - In the areas where you are doing well, you can give help and ideas to other units.

For more JTE information and resources go to www.scouting.org/jte

Current JTE Forms and Scorecards can be found by scanning the QR Codes below:

Packs



Troops



Crews



Ships



What is Scoutbook? Scoutbook is an advancement tracking tool. It also has messaging, forums, service, hiking, camping tracking and calendaring features.

Units do not have to subscribe to Scoutbook, it is a free service provided to every unit. It is an optional service provided by Scouting America.



Getting a Unit Started in Scoutbook Remember you should never create separate login accounts for each unit. Scoutbook supports one login for all your roles and positions in Scouting. Each person should have their very own login to Scoutbook that should never be shared with others. Each person must have their own unique email address.

If your unit has never used Scoutbook before, one of your Key 3 members, Key 3 Delegate, or Unit Advancement Chair, (these user roles are set in my.Scouting) should login and setup permissions for the unit. The term “Key 3” is a Scouting America term, not a Scoutbook term. Key 3 refers to the team of the unit leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor or Ship Skipper), the unit Committee Chairman, and the Chartered Organization Representative.

How to Login for Unit Volunteers If you have a my.Scouting account, you can login to Scoutbook.com with your my.Scouting credentials. If the my.Scouting account is connected to a SA Member ID, it will be matched with the appropriate Scoutbook unit and access is automatically provided to that unit.

If you don't have a my.Scouting account, you need to create one that is connected to your SA Member ID.

Your SA Member ID is located on your official unit roster. You can also contact your local council office and they can provide it.

Go to [my.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) to create an account. The my.Scouting account creation process discovers the SA membership for you based on profile attribute matchup and allows you to create an account that links to your membership. Once the my.Scouting account is created, use this to login to Scoutbook.com .

Login issues are usually resolved by resetting your password. On the Scoutbook login prompt select Forgot Password or My.Scouting Username? If you are still stuck, email Member Care at scoutbook.support@scouting.org

After you login, click on Administration and My Dashboard, you will see the units you are a member of based upon your SA Member ID as registered in my.Scouting.

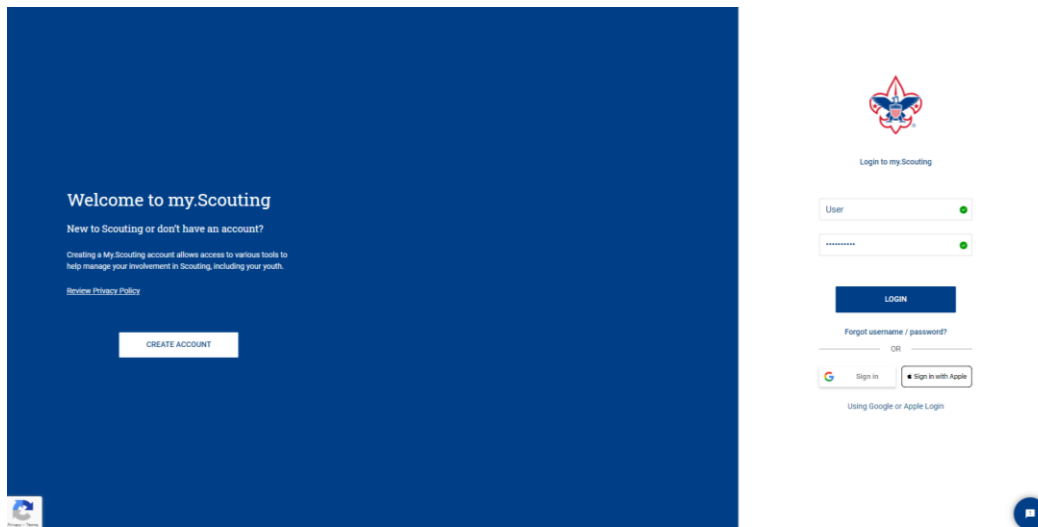
WHAT IS *my*.Scouting?

My.Scouting is a web portal designed to provide Adult Leaders with access to training, records and "tools" to help manage Unit, District and Council functions.

Included in *my*.Scouting is a Training Manager, allowing authorized District Scout Leaders to manage the Training Records for the Adult Leaders in the District. This included running reports on trained and untrained leaders, as well as UPDATE TRAINING RECORDS of Adult Leaders.

My.Scouting portal also provides Organization (Unit and District) Security Management Tools and Commissioners' Tools.

Dashboards are available for Adult Leaders, which include ready access to "your" personal profile and ready access to "My Training" a complete listing of all training courses (current and expired) that "you" have taken during your Scouting career, including in person and online training. My Training allows you to view your personal training record, but not make changes to it. However, your District Training Chair and a handful of other leaders are authorized to correct or update your training record.



NEW LEADERS - GETTING STARTED

Thank you for volunteering to be a leader for the youth members of your Cub Scout Pack, Scouts BSA Troop, Venture Crew, or Ship! Scouting America is committed to ensuring that scouts participate in a program delivered by qualified adult leaders. As such, new leaders must be approved by the local unit, pass a background check, and complete certain basic trainings.

In order to become a registered member of Scouting America, please complete the following steps. Keep this check list with you until all 5 steps have been completed. THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE YOUTH SERVED BY THE SCOUTING AMERICA!

1. **Create a *my.Scouting* Account**

- ✓ Go to www.my.Scouting.org and click “create account.” Follow the instructions to create your account. In a few minutes, you will receive a confirmation email that you will use to activate your account. Be sure to write down your Username & Password for future reference.

2. **Complete Required Training at *www.my.Scouting.org***

- ✓ Log in to your *my.Scouting* account. Click on the icon at the top right. Follow the prompts. The course takes approximately 2 hours to complete. When finished, be sure to “View Certificate” and print a copy of the certificate. This training is valid for 2 years.



3. **Complete the Adult Application – ONLINE APPLICATION NOW AVAILABLE! Get the specific URL from the Unit. (This is the preferred method)**

If using paper applications:

- ✓ Print carefully in blue or black ink.
- ✓ Include Social Security Number
- ✓ Include your signature on the Disclosure/ Authorization Form and the Adult Application.
- ✓ Submit Application to the Unit Leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, or Advisor), who must get it signed by the Unit Chartered Organization Representative.
- ✓ The Annual Registration Fee is \$65 plus a \$4 accident insurance fee.

4. **Complete Additional Training at *www.my.Scouting.org* to become fully “TRAINED”**

- ✓ Position Specific Training. For Cub Scout and Venture Crew leaders, and all committee members, this will fully train you for the specific position you hold. This course should be completed within the first month of becoming a new leader. Completion of this session and all previously listed training qualifies you to wear the “TRAINED” patch on your uniform. For Scouts BSA leaders in the Scoutmaster or Asst. Scoutmaster position, you must take an additional training which involves and overnight camping activity. Contact your Unit Leader or DE for details.
- ✓ Supplemental Training. Complete additional trainings as needed to further develop your skills and knowledge!



YOUTH PROTECTION BEGINS WITH **YOU**

Scouting America places the **greatest importance** on creating the most **secure environment** possible for our members. Youth protection is of paramount importance and requires sustained vigilance. To cultivate a safe environment, the SA continues to develop and enhance its youth protection efforts as everyone continues to learn more about the dangers and challenges facing youth.

SA has established a multi-tiered youth protection approach focused on volunteer screening, education and training for everyone in the program, and clear policies to protect youth.

SA educates and empowers youth members to be an active part of their safety by teaching the “three R’s” of Youth Protection:

- **Recognize** situations that place a youth at risk of being molested, how child molesters operate, and that anyone could be a molester.
- **Resist** unwanted and inappropriate attention. Resistance will stop most attempts at molestation.
- **Report** attempted or actual molestation to a parent or other trusted adult. This prevents further abuse and helps protect other children.

SA has established clear policies to help ensure Scouting is a safe place for all of our members: Mandatory Reporting Policies; Leader Selection Policies; Mandatory Youth Protection Training for Adult Volunteers; Barriers to Abuse and Digital Privacy. For more information on SA Youth Protection policies go to <https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/>

*The National SA policy is that all volunteer leaders are required to take youth protection training BEFORE being registered. A completion certificate must be attached to the adult application.

Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQs

Adult Supervision

Q: If my son or daughter is meeting with a registered merit badge counselor and is the only Scout present, is supervision by two registered adults still required?

A: No, provided you as the parent or legal guardian are present during the merit badge counseling session. If more than one Scout is present, all Barriers to Abuse supervision requirements must be met.

Q: If my son or daughter is the only Scout present for a unit fund-raising activity such as neighborhood or storefront sales is supervision by two registered adults still required?

A: No, provided you attend with your child during the entire fundraising activity. If more than one Scout is present, all Barriers to Abuse supervision requirements must be met.

Q: Why is a female adult 21 years of age or over required whenever female youth are present, but not the other way around?

A. The requirement to ensure that a registered female adult is present at activities serving girls is not dissimilar to policies we've enacted in the past for Venturing when male and female adult leaders were required for certain co-ed activities. At this time, we believe that these are the best, most appropriate measures for our movement. We hope you understand that these requirements were given substantial and thorough consideration.

Q. Do Lion and Tiger Den meetings require two-deep leadership since adult partners are present?

A. Yes. A Lion or Tiger adult partner is not considered a registered leader for meeting two-deep leadership requirements. Lion or Tiger partners, as well as other pack leaders, provide a pool of adults who could be registered as an assistant den leader to meet this requirement.

Q. If only one leader shows up, does that mean we have to cancel the meeting or activity?

A. Yes. This policy is in place to prevent abuse in and out of Scouting. Adults should never be alone with youth who are not their children.

Q: Does a Cub Scout parent or legal guardian have to be a registered leader to participate in a Cub Scout overnight program with their own child/ward?

A. No. However, they cannot serve as unit or den two deep leadership or supervision.

Q: What is an adult program participant?

A. An adult program participant is an individual aged 18 or older (most often aged 18-20) who is registered as a program participant in which youth members are also eligible to participate (for example Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Exploring). Adult program participants are subject to the same youth protection policies and guidelines as adult Scouters.

Q: I am an adult attending a pack, troop, crew, or ship overnight activity, do I have to be registered?

A. Yes, if you participate/stay overnight, you must be currently registered as an adult volunteer or as an adult program participant. Adult volunteers must register in the position(s) they are serving in and be approved by their charter partner where applicable.

For example, a parent attending a Scouts BSA campout could register as a committee member, unit Scouter reserve, Assistant Scoutmaster etc., depending on their unit role.

Q: I am an adult attending a district or council overnight activity, do I have to be registered?

A. Yes, if you participate/stay overnight, you must be currently registered as an adult volunteer or an adult program participant. Adult volunteers must register in the position(s) they are serving in.

For example, an adult volunteer attending an overnight Order of the Arrow event must be registered in a unit, district, or council position. **Registration as a merit badge counselor does not meet this requirement.**

Q: What position should I register in to stay/participate in overnight programs?

A. Adults may select from the list below of adult leader position options provided in the “**Registration Guidebook of the Boy Scouts of America**” that is available for their unit, district or council position. Adult volunteers must register in the position(s) they are serving in. Adults registering in a unit position must be accepted and approved by the head of the chartered organization or the chartered organization representative.

Unit Positions

- Assistant Cubmaster
- Assistant Scoutmaster
- Assistant Webelos Leader
- Assistant Den Leader
- Chartered Organization Rep.
- Committee Chairman
- Committee Member
- Cubmaster
- Den Leader
- Lion Coordinator
- Lion Den Leader
- Mate
- New Member Coordinator
- Pack Trainer
- Principal / Executive Officer
- Scoutmaster
- Skipper
- Tiger Den Leader
- Unit Chaplain
- Unit College Scouter Reserve
- Unit Scouter Reserve
- Venturing College Sctr Reserve
- Venturing Crew Advisor
- Venturing Crew Assoc. Advisor
- Webelos Leader

Council and District Positions

- Assistant Council Commissioner
- Asst Roundtable Commissioner
- Asst. District Commissioner
- College Scouter Reserve
- Council Advisory Council
- Council Assistant Treasurer
- Council Associate Member
- Council Camp Staff (Adult)
- Council Camp Staff (Youth)
- Council Chaplain
- Council Commissioner
- Council Committee Member
- Council Executive Board Member
- Council Honorary Member
- Council Member-at-Large
- Council President
- Council Religious Emblems Coord
- Council Scout Alumnus
- Council Service Team Chair
- Council Service Team Member
- Council Treas
- Council Vice-President
- District Chairman
- District Chaplain
- District Commissioner
- District Member-at-large
- District Religious Emblems Coord
- District Service Team Chair
- District Service Team Member
- District Vice-Chairman
- Neighborhood Chairman
- Neighborhood Committee
- Roundtable Commissioner
- Scouter Reserve
- Unit Commissioner

Q: Why does registration as a merit badge counselor not meet the registration requirement to participate/stay overnight?

A. A merit badge counselor is an important position supporting Scouts BSA units; however, a merit badge counselor is not a unit position nor does their district/council role require overnight participation.

Merit badge counselors may select from the list of adult leader position options provided in the “**Registration Guidebook of the Boy Scouts of America**” that is available for another role they serve in within their unit, district or council to stay/participate in overnight Scouting events and activities.

◆ **Q: Do the September 1, 2023, changes mean that third party vendors must be registered with the BSA?**

A. No. Youth Protection and supervision remains the responsibility of the unit and Scout leaders. Vendors and other third parties must be licensed businesses that carry proper liability insurance, units should be sure that they use reputable services. Vendors such as museums, climbing guides, hiking guides, rafting services all fall into these categories. Unit leadership must ensure that all BSA policies and guidelines are followed when using these services, unit leaders must still have proper training.

Q: Do “Unit Functional Position codes” like Unit Advancement Chair or Unit High Adventure Chair found in the “Registration Guidebook of the Boy Scouts of America” fulfill this registration requirement?

A. No.

Q. Our Scouts BSA boy troop and our Scouts BSA girl troop are linked and would like to host a joint outing or activity. Do we have to provide adult leadership from each troop?

A. Yes, each troop is a separate unit, and therefore, each troop/unit must provide its own two-deep leadership, meeting the leadership requirements outlined in Scouting’s Barriers to Abuse.

Q. The Barriers to Abuse states “One-on-one contact between adult leaders and youth members is prohibited both inside and outside of Scouting.” What does ‘inside and outside of Scouting’ mean?

A. The BSA has adopted its youth protection policies for the safety and well-being of its members. These policies primarily protect youth members; however, they also serve to protect adult leaders. All parents and caregivers should understand that our leaders are to abide by these safeguards. Registered leaders must follow these guidelines with all Scouting youth outside of Scouting activities. There are careers that may require one-on-one contact with youth, however aside from those roles, volunteers must abide by the youth protection policies of the BSA even outside of Scouting activities.

This policy is in place to prevent abuse in and out of Scouting. Adults should never be alone with youth who are not their children.

Q. Does this mean my son cannot have a sleepover if I am the only adult present?

A. Yes, if any of the children other than your own child is a Scout, we strongly encourage all adults to use the Barriers to Abuse in and out of Scouting.

Q. Are there times when youth can gather, meet or conduct activities without adult supervision?

A. No. Two-deep adult supervision by registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required for all Scouting activities and must meet the leadership requirements outlined in Scouting’s [Barriers to Abuse](#). This includes patrol activities.

Accommodations

Q. Our council camp has Adirondack shelters that sleep 8 youth, should we treat them as tents or lodging?

A. Lodging.

Q. Why do youth tent separately from parents outside of Cub Scouting?

A. Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, and Venturing are youth led programs. The Cub Scout program is family oriented.

Q. Can I share a tent with my son or daughter who has special needs?

A. Youth and adults tent separately in the Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, and Venturing programs. Youth who have a special need or disability who may require a parent or legal guardian to tent with them must develop a plan in conjunction with their local council Scout Executive to address their specific needs.

Q. Can a Scout choose to tent alone?

A. Yes. There is no prohibition on tenting alone if unit leadership and logistics can accommodate that request. As always, [all BSA youth protection policies](#) must be followed.

Q. My family is attending a Cub Scout pack campout, may our family share a tent?

A. Yes, in Cub Scouting programs only, parents and guardians may share a tent with their family, including siblings that may be registered in other BSA programs.

Q. For Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouting, what does “Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age” mean?

A. Youth who share a tent cannot be more than two years apart in age. For example, a 13-year-old Scout could share a tent with anyone between the ages of 11-15 but not someone who was 10 or 16+.

Transportation

Q. How do the Barriers to Abuse apply to transportation?

A. An adult may not drive or be alone in the car with a Scout unless that Scout is their own child. An adult may drive two or more Scouts.

Q. Can 18-year-old Scouts transport other Scouts, if so, what are the qualifications for this?

A. Yes. Drivers must be currently licensed and at least 18 years of age. **Scouting youth (under age 18) are not insured under the Boy Scouts of America commercial general liability policy.** Transportation guidance can be found in the [Guide to Safe Scouting](#).

♦ Program Requirements

Q. Can buddy pairs be co-ed in any of Scouting's programs?

A. No. Buddy pairs may only be single gender, not coed. Reminder, the buddy system must be used at all times. Buddy pairs can only be made between youth members. Adult program participants cannot buddy with youth members, even if they are registered in the same program.

Q. Can a leader bring their Scouts BSA son or daughter to an opposite gender troop activity?

A. No. Scouts BSA program integrity requires single gender units and single gender buddy pairs.

Q. Can any Scouts BSA member attend camp on their own?

A. Yes, as part of a provisional unit at camp. Contact your local council for availability.

Q. Can Scouts BSA girl and boy troops share a campsite?

A. Yes, if the campsite's layout and amenities meet all the requirements of Scouting's [Barriers to Abuse](#), including privacy and separate accommodations. Each unit must also meet adult supervision requirements, providing two deep leadership for each unit.

Q. Our Scouts BSA boy troop and our Scouts BSA girl troop are linked and would like to host a joint outing or activity. Only one girl or only one boy can attend from their specific troop. Is this ok?

A. No. The buddy system must be used and buddy pairs must be single gender. Therefore, each troop must have at least two members attend the outing in addition to adult supervision, meeting the leadership requirements outlined in Scouting's Barriers to Abuse.



SERVICE HOURS REPORTING

(Recommend entering service info at least monthly)

(JTE Program requirement)

Overview

Tracking the progress of unit members in the following activities is made fun and simple with the Activities module in Internet Advancement and Scoutbook. Best of all – Any service hours recorded in Internet Advancement feed directly into Journey To Excellence (JTE).

- Campouts – Days, Nights, Frost Points
- Hikes – Miles, Elevation Change
- Long Cruises (Sea Scouts) – Days, Miles
- Service Projects – Hours

Do I still need to record hours in the Good Turn For America platform (servicehours.scouting.org)? **NOPE!** All your unit service hours will be recorded in Internet Advancement. Furthermore, all Good Turn for America service hours entries, except Eagle Service Projects, are now available in Internet Advancement.

NOTE: Councils should still enter Eagle Scout Service Projects using current tools as Eagle Scout Service Project hours remain in Good Turn for America. For Exploring Service Hours continue to use Good Turn for America.

Service Project Reporting Form

To learn more, visit www.scouting.org/awards/journeytoexcellence
JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE

Unit Type: Pack / Troop / Crew / Ship / Post

Unit Number: _____

Reporting Leader's Name: _____ Phone Number/Email: _____

Type of Service Project (Circle One):

Food

Food Collection

Meal Delivery

Serving Food

Stewardship

Shelter

Home Building

Home Repair/Maintenance

Personal Care Collection

Blanket Collection

School Supply Collection

Book/Magazine Drive

Healthy Living

Blood Drive

Fun Run/Walk/Hike/Cycle

Bike Safety Event

Child Fingerprinting

Health Fair/Fitness Expo

CPR Training

Tree Planting

Litter Cleanup/Beautification

Other Services

Disaster Relief

Conservation

Military Support

National Park Resource

Other

Date of Service Project: _____

Number of youth members participating in the project: _____

Number of youth who are not members participating in the project: _____

Number of adult leaders participating in the project: _____

Number of other adults participating in the project: _____

Total unit hours – including members and non-members:

_____ (Example: 10 people worked 2 hours = 20

total unit hours)

Which of the following organization(s) did you partner with on the project?

American Red Cross

Habitat for Humanity

Salvation Army

U.S. Department of Health

Local Food Bank/Pantry

Local Shelter for the Abused

Local Blood Bank

Meals on Wheels

Local Medical Center/Hospital

City

Scout Camp

County

Church

Synagogue

Mosque

Other Religious Organization

School

Retirement Center

Goodwill Industries

Civic Organizations

Order of the Arrow Lodge

Lone Scout

Housing Authority

Service Organization

America Supports You

U.S. Forest Service

National Parks Service

Other

No Partner

List any local organizations that you partnered with on this project: _____

Briefly tell us about your project:

WHAT IS BeAScout?

Today's parents can do it all online. With a few taps on their tablet, they can buy school supplies, sign up for soccer or hire a babysitter. And, more and more these days, they're finding out about Scouting online, too. Today's parents want, and expect, to learn more about SA through a simple-to-use, nicely designed website.



BeAScout.org is that website. It is the first thing many prospective Scouting families see about SA, and it tells them what Scouting is, why it's a good fit for their family and where they can find a Cub Scout pack, Scouts BSA troop, Venturing crew or Sea Scout ship near them.

That last part — the where — is where you come in. It's time to update your unit's listing on BeAScout.org. You see, when moms and dads visit BeAScout.org, they can enter their ZIP code to find all the Scout units near them. These results show up as pins, with each representing a pack, troop, crew or ship nearby.

If your unit is represented by one of those pins, you want that prospective Scout parent to have a direct line of communication to you. That way you can tell them all about how awesome Pack 123 is or what makes Troop 456 so great.

There's just one problem: some units haven't updated their pins, meaning there's an extra obstacle between you and a new member of your unit. But don't worry. Updating your pin is easy, and it's well worth your time.

How to update your BeAScout.org pin

Updating your BeAScout.org pin is simple, and it's a good way to make sure your information is current — that it doesn't list last year's Cubmaster or meeting time, for example. Access to update your pin is available to the Unit's Key 3.

To update your pin:

1. Go to My.Scouting.org
2. Go to "Organization Manager" and select "Unit Pin".
3. Choose "unit" (rather than council) under "Unit Pin Mode" to update the pin with your contact info.
4. Be sure to set pin status to "active." If they want the "Apply Now" button on the pin, set "Apply Status" to "active."
5. Note that it may take a few hours, or up to overnight, for the updated information to show up.
6. **For Cub Scout packs:** You will also want to go to Organization Manager and identify your pack's gender: all-boy, all-girl or a mix of all-boy dens and all-girl dens. Under Organization Manager, find the settings tab and scroll to the bottom of the page. The default is Boys Dens, but you can change that. Be sure to enter an effective date or it will not update the pin.

This 100-acre camp is located in the Golden Isles Region of Georgia in Glynn County. While small in immediate size, this camp encompasses about 1,000 acres of marsh and outer islands that capable paddlers can explore. Camp Tolochee features a small lake for fishing and boating, an archery and BB gun range, pool, campfire circle and dining pavilion. The camp contains several campsites ranging from primitive to hammock to Adirondack. Two bathhouses spaced across the camp have flushing toilets and showers. There is a nature trail that crosses camp where you can see a very distinct ecosystem.



Coastal Georgia



Council Camps

Camp Tolochee

133 Ashley Marsh Drive
Brunswick, Georgia 31523

Black Creek Scout Reservation
850 Poor Robin Road
Sylvania, Georgia 30467



This 380-acre camp is located on the banks of Black Creek in Screven County. BCSR features a private lake for swimming and all paddle or motor boat sports. Other features include a brand new air conditioned dining hall, a 60ft climbing tower and high ropes course, low ropes, archery, rifle, and shotgun trap shooting ranges, handicraft shelter, ecology and Scoutcraft area, campfire circle, and dining pavilion. The camp contains six campsites with nice, fully functioning shared bathhouses that have individual bathrooms and icemakers. Hammock sites have been created around camp in three different areas.

Our camps can be used by both Scouts and the Community.

Please contact the Council Service Center at (912) 927-7272 for more information.

www.CoastalGeorgiaBSA.org



Save the Date!

Join us in 2025 for another FUN Summer Adventure!

Cub Summer Event
May 29-June 1, 2025

Scouts BSA Summer Camp
Week 1
June 8-14, 2025

Week 2
June 15-21, 2025



The Reese Dining Hall



Cub Scout Events

BOBCAT BOOTCAMP CAMP TOLOCHEE

SEPTEMBER 28–29, 2024



Come see what being a Scout is all about!
Adventure is waiting for you and your adult partner.

HAUNTED TRAIL OCTOBER 18-20, 2024

Have a Spooktacular Time!



Win prizes at the Carnival
BB Gun & Archery Ranges Open
Scarecrow Contest



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This Event SELLS OUT Every Year!

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Wands at the Ready!

Grab your Broomstick, Your
Wand and Your Wits—
Test your wizardry skills at
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April 25-27, 2025



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Cub Scout Events

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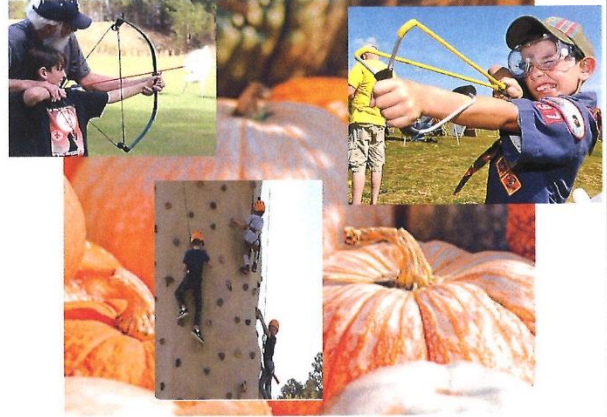
AUGUST 24, 2024



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CUBTOBERFEST

OCTOBER 12, 2024



New to Scouting? Have younger Scouts?
Don't like the crowds at Haunted Trail?
THIS IS THE EVENT FOR YOU!

SAVE THE DATE

MAY 29 – JUNE 1, 2025

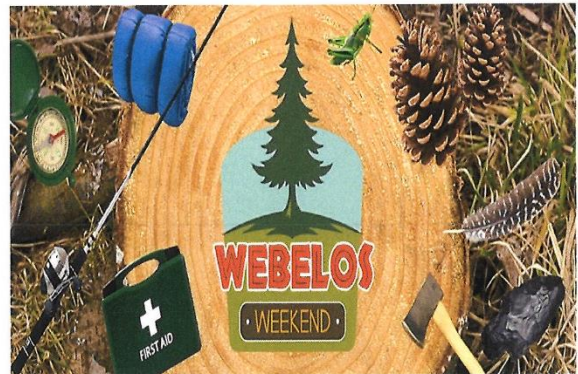
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BE PREPARED

Get Your Scouts Skills Ready

November 15-17, 2024



Patrol Cooking
Fire Building
Hiking and So Much More...

2024 Calendar-At-A-Glance

Much more is listed online at coastalgeorgiabsa.org

**Tentative Listing (Save the date!)

July 29:	Fall Popcorn Sale Begins
August 2:	Popcorn Show & Sell Order #1 due from Units online at Trails-End.com
August 10:	Merit Badge University
August 10:	Aquatics Supervision (or) COPE Level 1 Training
August 15-16:	Show & Sell Order #1 pickup at warehouse
August 24:	Cub Scout Down & Dirty (camping optional)
August 24:	Scouts BSA Aquatics Day (camping optional)
August 24:	Scout Shop Open
August 13, 14, 15:	Popcorn Kick-offs (Twin Rivers, Savannah, Brunswick respectively)
September 6:	Popcorn Show & Sell Order #2 due from Units online at Trails-End.com
September 2:	Labor Day - Council Service Center Closed
September 13-15:	Order of the Arrow Fall Fellowship
September 13-14:	BALOO Training**
September 7:	Scout Shop Open
September 19-20:	Show & Sell Order #2 pickup at warehouse
September 14:	Scout Shop Open
September 21:	Scout Shop Open
September 27-28:	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)
September 28:	Bobcat Bootcamp
September 28:	Scout Shops Open (Brunswick and Savannah)
October 4-6:	Haunted Trail Workdays
October 5:	Scout Shop Open
October 12:	Cub Fall Festival
October 18-20:	Cub Scout Haunted Trail
November 1:	Popcorn final order due from Units online at Trails-End.com
November 8-9:	Atlantic District Camporee**
November 16:	Final Popcorn Order pickup at warehouse
November 15-17:	Webelos & Arrow of Light Weekend
November 27:	Service Center & Store close at Noon
November 28 & 29:	ALL Council facilities including camps are CLOSED
December 6:	Popcorn money due from Units to Council.
December 2:	Scout Shop Open
December 6-7:	Order of the Arrow Ordeal
December 12:	Council Holiday Auction
December 13:	RecharTERS Due
December 23-26:	ALL Council facilities including camps are CLOSED
December 27-31:	Council Service Center and Stores CLOSED

RESOURCES



Guide to Safe Scouting:

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/>



BSA Annual Health and Medical Record:

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/>



Insurance Claim Form:

<https://scoutingevent.com/Download/099135782/OR/HSRBSAClaimForm.pdf>



National Summertime Pack Award:

<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/national-summertime/>



Unit Money Earning Application:

<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34427.pdf>



Incident Reporting:

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/>



Activity Consent Form:

<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/19-673.pdf>