

DAN BEARD COUNCIL, BSA

YOUR SCOUTING PATH

A VISUAL GUIDE OF THE RANKS & ACTIVITIES YOU'LL EXPERIENCE



START

FINISH



PATH TO SUCCESS

EXPLORING CAREER FIELDS INCLUDE AVIATION, FIRE/EMS, POLICE, HEALTHCARE & MORE!

EAGLE SCOUTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE COMMITTED TO LEARNING, AND TO SET & ACHIEVE PERSONAL, PROFESSIONAL, SPIRITUAL, AND FINANCIAL GOALS.
-BAYLOR UNIVERSITY STUDY

SCOUTS WHO ARE MORE ENGAGED IN SCOUTING REPORT HIGHER OUTCOMES IN KINDNESS, HELPFULNESS, OBEDIENCE & CHEERFULNESS THAN NON-SCOUTS
-TUFTS UNIVERSITY RESEARCH STUDY

BEGIN WORKING ON MERIT BADGES IN SUBJECTS SUCH AS ART, ASTRONOMY, CHEMISTRY, GRAPHIC ARTS, ROBOTICS, WELDING...OVER 135 CHOICES!

ADVANCEMENT HAS FOUR STEPS: LEARN, TEST, REVIEW & RECOGNIZE.

SCOUT ADVANCEMENT IS BY AGE- OR GRADE-BASED. THE SCOUT PROGRESSES AT HIS/HER OWN PACE.

WELCOME TO SCOUTS, BSA!
(AGE 11, OR IF COMPLETED 5TH GRADE OR ARROW OF LIGHT AWARD)

ARROW OF LIGHT
4 REQUIRED & 3 ELECTIVE ADVENTURES
5TH GRADE (OR AGE 11)

- PLAN A MENU FOR YOUR DEN OR FAMILY
- PARTICIPATE IN A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
- LEARN FIRST AID, HEALTH & FITNESS
- LEARN LEADERSHIP SKILLS & PLAN AN OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

WEBELOS
4TH GRADE
(OR AGE 10)

- GO FISHING
- LEARN OUTDOOR SKILLS, ABOUT PLANTS & ANIMALS, HOW TO USE TOOLS & WOODWORKING
- LEARN ABOUT SELF-SUFFICIENCY & ABOUT HELPING OTHERS.

SERVE IN A LEADERSHIP ROLE AND TEACH ANOTHER SCOUT USING THE EDGE TEACHING METHOD.

THE REST OF THE RANKS ARE UP TO THE SCOUT TO A CHEVIE ON HIS/HER OWN TIME! THERE'S NO RIGHT APPROACH- EVERY SCOUT IS DIFFERENT.

SECOND CLASS SCOUT
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FIRST CLASS SCOUT
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VENTURING SCOUTS, BSA
BOYS & GIRLS
AGES 14-20

EXPLORING
DISCOVER YOUR FUTURE
SCOUTING'S CAREER
EXPLORATION PROGRAM

EAGLE SCOUT
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TENDERFOOT SCOUT
SCOUTS, BSA

