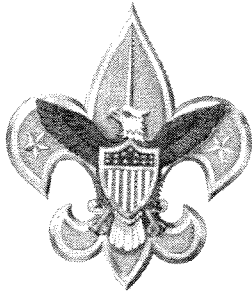


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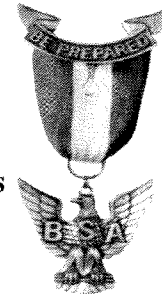


TROOP 201

NEW FAMILY GUIDEBOOK



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Dear Parents and Scouts:

Welcome! The Adventure is about to begin. Thank you for selecting Troop 201 for your Scouting experience. The Troop Committee and Adult Leadership are humbled by the trust and confidence you have placed with the leadership of the Troop. We won't let you down.

Scouting has been called "A Game with a Purpose". The purpose or three aims or goals of Scouting are:

- 1) Character Building;
- 2) Citizenship;
- 3) Personal and Mental Fitness

Troop 201 strives to accomplish these goals through emphasis on "The Ideals of Scouting, Patrol Method, Outdoor Experience, Advancement, Association with Adults, Personal Growth, Leadership Development and The Uniform. We also like to have fun along the way.

Throughout your Scouting experience, Scouts and Parents will have questions, concerns, and a whole host of thoughts and emotions. Feel free to address these issues at any time with a member of the Troop Committee, myself or an Assistant Scoutmaster.

Parental involvement is the key to a healthy Troop. We encourage and welcome parents to get involved in the Troop Committee or become an Assistant Scoutmaster. We need your help.

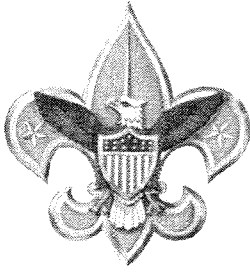
The Troop has a number of tools to provide information to Scouts and parents. The website, www.Troop201.org has plenty of information including a new scout section. The Troop publishes a newsletter, The Bugle on a quarterly basis. A parent email distribution is also used for information flow.

The Troop camps almost every month of the year. The use of outdoor program provides the boys a venue to excel, learn and grow into young men. I encourage our new Scouts to camp as much as possible. The Troop has a Year Round Camper Award for those boys that camp the most throughout the year.

Scouting promotes service to others. The Troop participates in local service projects that instill the Scout Spirit in all who participate. Service is a major tenant of Scouting and Troop 201 is an organization long in service to the community.

I am humbled and honored to be your Scoutmaster and look forward to providing the tools for our Scouts to succeed.

Yours in Scouting
Ken Fox
Scoutmaster



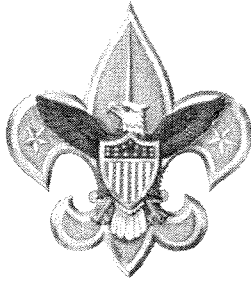
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TROOP 201 2009-2010 ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

September	District Camporee
October	Backpacking Camp
November	Shooting Camp
December	Tree Sale, Court of Honor/Family Dinner
January 23-24	Polar Bear
February 26-28	Winter Fun Camp, Camp Merz
March 13-15	Rookie Camp, Camp Firelands
April 16-18	Wright Patterson Air Force Base Campout
May 21-23	Centennial Camporee, Berea Fairgrounds
June 11-13	June Campout, TBD
June 27-July 3	Summer Camp, 7 Ranges, Kensington, Ohio
July 14-18	Extended Campout, Canoe, Bike, Horseride
August 6-8	Kelley's Island Campout

Entire schedule and real time updates can be found at www.Troop201.org



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COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH JOINING TROOP 201

1. Basic Troop Dues

a. \$40 New Scout includes patches, handbook, neckerchief, epelets, Boys Life subscription

b. Subsequent years: \$20 includes boys life, all badges and awards;

c. Siblings \$12, no Boys Life

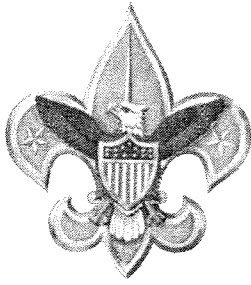
2. Campouts- Basic Cost is \$20. Costs may vary on type of outing and travel required.

3. Summer Camp- Early Bird- \$220, Regular Fee \$250.

4. High Adventure- 1st Class and 14 Years Old- costs vary for every trip

5. Uniforms- See attached sheet. Troop has uniform exchange to include boots and some packs.

Troop maintains Scout Accounts for proceeds of Popcorn Sale, Tree Sale and individual contributions.



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SUMMER CAMP INFORMATION

For the past 20 years, Troop 201 has attended summer camp at Camp Seven Ranges in Kensington, Ohio. Website:
<http://www.buckkeyecouncil.org/Seven%20Ranges.htm>

The Troop attends camp during second camp session, typically the last week in June. Camp begins on Sunday and ends on Sat around 11 am. For 2010, Camp begins on Sunday June 27th and ends on Sat July 3rd. Parents are expected to provide transportation to and from Seven Ranges.

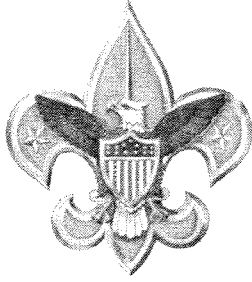
Scouts sleep in canvas wall tents with plywood floors and cots. The Troop eats in the camp dining hall with the exception of two meals.

Scouts can take a variety of merit badges during the week at camp. 2-3 badges per scout are the maximum we will allow first year Scouts to attempt during the week.

A 2010 Summer Camp parents meeting will be held during the normal Troop meeting on Tuesday April 6th.

Costs and packing list are contained in this packet. All Scouts must undergo an annual physical. A copy of the form is attached.

A Honor Camper Program called Pipestone is a large part of the Seven Ranges experience. This program will be discussed further during the parents meeting.



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Troop Uniform Information

The Boy Scouts of America adhere to strict uniform guidelines. The Troop maintains the following policies with regard to BSA uniforms. Specific guidelines can be found in the Boy Scout Handbook.

- Scouts are expected to be in Full Uniform for all Troop Events
- Class A Shirt and Class A Pants/Shorts can be purchased at Scout Shop
- Scout Socks must be worn with Scout shorts
- Troop will provide all standard patches, neckerchief, slide, epelets,
- A Troop Class B t-shirt will be provided to all Scouts
- Class A uniform is to be worn to and from all campouts
- A Troop uniform exchange is maintained for all scouts. An inventory of various sizes is maintained. If you need a pair of pants or shirt, we ask you leave a uniform item. Mr. John Yoeder administers the program

Troop 201 Packing List:

Standard Items:

- Scout Uniform. *The type of uniform will be announced at the meeting prior to the camp out and written in the weekly newsletter.*
- Sleeping bag
- Ground cloth
- Sleeping bag
- Foam pad or Sleeping pad
- Garbage bags (2)
- Jacket (suitable for the weather)
- Boots (hiking or water-proof winter boots depending on the weather)
- Pants (2 - 3)
- Rain suit (preferred) or Poncho
- Shirts (2 - 3) Suitable for weather
- Hat
- Underwear
- Gloves (1 pair)
- Socks (2 - 3 pairs)
- Sweatshirt / sweater (2)
- Pillow (Nice to have)
- Extra pair of shoes
- Sweat suit / pajamas for sleeping
- Boy Scout Handbook and/or Field Guide
- Pencils and paper
- Personal first aid kit
- Personal drinking cup
- Water bottle (2)
- Pocket Knife (only if you have earned Totem Chip)
- Flashlight (with fresh batteries)
- Backpack / duffle bag for gear
- Towel
- Washcloth Soap
- Toothbrush / toothpaste
- Comb
- Toilet paper (in plastic bag)

Cold Weather Items:

- Long underwear
- Jacket and Pants suitable for weather.
- Gloves (2)
- Flannel Shirts (2)
- Wool Socks (4)
- Winter hat (2)
- Rubberized winter boots (No sneakers or hiking boots)
- Winter Sleeping Bag in plastic bag or waterproof bag

Warm Weather Items:

- Shorts (3)
- Bathing Suit
- Warm weather sleeping bags or Blanket in plastic bag or waterproof bag.

Stuff not to Bring:

- Food, candy, pop
- Comic Books and magazines.
- Radios, walkmans, MP3 Players, iPods, Cell Phones, etc...
- Hand warmers
- Gas or kerosene lanterns
- Electronic Games
- Sheath Knives

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA YOUTH APPLICATION



Cub Scouting

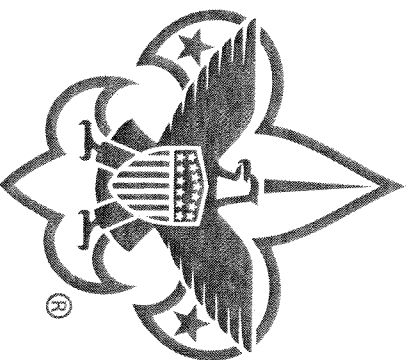
Tiger Cub

Webelos Scout

Cub Scout

Cub Scout Promise

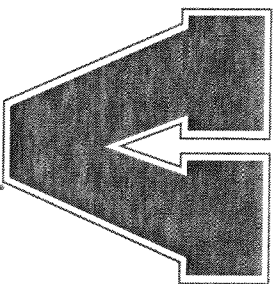
I, (name), promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people and
To obey the Law of the Pack.



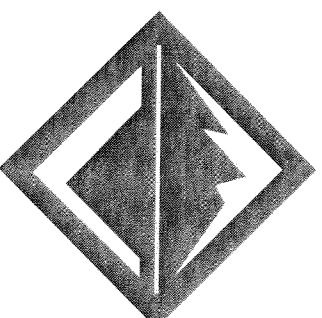
Boy Scouting

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.



Varsity Scouting



V E N T U R I N G ® · B S A

Venturer/Sea Scout

Venturing Oath

As a Venturer, I promise to do my duty to
God and help strengthen America, to help
others, and to seek truth, fairness, and
adventure in our world.

Boy Scouts of America Information for Parents

A parent or guardian must certify that he or she has read this information sheet for all applicants under 18 years of age.

(Venturing and Sea Scout members: It is important that you share this with your parents.)

Welcome to the Boy Scouts of America!

Your child is joining more than 4 million members of the Boy Scouts of America. Please take the time to review this material and reflect upon its importance.

The BSA and the Chartered Organization

The Boy Scouts of America makes Scouting available to our nation's youth by chartering community organizations to operate Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, Varsity Scout teams, Venturing crews, and Sea Scout ships.

The chartered organization must provide an adequate and safe meeting place and capable adult leadership, and must adhere to the principles and policies of the BSA. The BSA local council provides unit leader training, program ideas, camping facilities, literature, professional guidance for volunteer leaders, and liability insurance protection.

Scouting's Volunteers and You

Scouting's adult volunteers provide leadership at the unit, district, council, and national levels. Many are parents of Scouts; many entered Scouting as youth members. Each chartered organization establishes a unit committee, which operates its Scouting unit, selects leadership, and provides support for a quality program. Unit committees depend on parents for membership and assistance.

The respective unit committee selects the Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Scout Coach, Venturing Advisor, or Sea Scout Skipper, subject to approval of the head of the chartered organization or the chartered organization representative and of the BSA. The unit leader must be a good role model because our children's values and lives will be influenced by that leader. You need to know your child's unit leader and be involved in the unit committee's activities so you can evaluate and help direct that influence.

Scouting uses a fun program to promote character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness for every member. You can help by encouraging perfect attendance, assisting with your child's advancement, attending meetings for parents, assisting with transportation, and assisting when called upon by the unit leader.

Program Policies

Chartered organizations agree to use the Scouting program in accordance with their own policies as well as those of the BSA. The program is flexible, but major departures from BSA methods and policies are not permitted. As a parent, you should be aware that

- Leadership is restricted to qualified adults who subscribe to the precepts of the Declaration of Religious Principle, the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, and the BSA Standards of Leadership.
- Citizenship activities are encouraged, but partisan political activities are prohibited.

- Military training and drills are prohibited. Marksmanship and elementary drill for ceremonies are permitted.

- The Boy Scouts of America recognizes the importance of religious faith and duty; it leaves sectarian religious instruction to the member's religious leaders and family.

- Members who do not belong to a unit's religious chartered organization shall not be required to participate in its religious activities.

- Two registered adult leaders or one registered adult leader and a parent of a participant, one of whom must be 21 years of age or older, are required on all trips and outings. If trips and outings are coeducational, leaders of both genders must be present.

- Corporal punishment and hazing are not permitted. Parents and unit leaders must work together to solve discipline problems.

- One-on-one activities between youth members and adults are not permitted; personal conferences must be conducted in plain view of others.

- If you suspect that anyone in the unit is a victim of child abuse, immediately contact the Scout executive, who is responsible for reporting this to the appropriate authorities.

- All Scouting activities are open to parental visitation. There are no "secret" organizations within the Boy Scouts of America.

Excerpt from the Declaration of Religious Principle

The Boy Scouts of America maintains that no member can grow into the best kind of citizen without recognizing an obligation to God and, therefore, recognizes the religious element in the training of the member, but it is absolutely nonsectarian in its attitude toward that religious training. Its policy is that the home and organization or group with which the member is connected shall give definite attention to religious life. Only persons willing to subscribe to these precepts of the Declaration of Religious Principle and to the Bylaws of the Boy Scouts of America shall be entitled to certificates of membership.

Policy of Nondiscrimination

Youth membership in the Boy Scouts of America is open to all boys and young adults who meet the joining requirements. Membership in Scouting, advancement, and achievement of leadership in Scouting units are open to all youth without regard to race or ethnic background and are based entirely upon individual merit.

Ethnic background information. The BSA receives inquiries from various agencies regarding racial composition. Please fill in the appropriate circle on the application to indicate ethnic background.

Thank You

The Boy Scouts of America appreciates you taking time to become familiar with Scouting. We feel that an informed parent is a strong ally in delivering the Scouting program. Help us keep the unit program in accord with Scouting principles. Alert the unit committee, chartered organization representative, and head of the chartered organization to any major deviations. Please do your fair share to support a quality unit program.

Tips for completing the Application for Youth Membership:

- Print—do not use cursive.
- Use black or dark blue ink.
- Press firmly when printing.
- Print one letter only in each box.
- Use upper-case letters and stay within the blue boxes for legibility.
- Fill in circles; do not use check marks.
- Make sure you have all needed signatures on application.
- Don't alter the application—it could affect the quality of the scan.

Mailing address example:

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BOYS' LIFE MAGAZINE

A message to parents. The youth registration fee is \$10 for one year.

Boys' Life is the monthly magazine of the Boy Scouts of America. It will help in your Scouting program and stimulate your interest in good reading. The subscription is only \$12 a year (half the new regular rate of \$24 a year). Just fill in the *Boys' Life* circle on the application. Please calculate and remit the appropriate state and local taxes. On late registrations it may be necessary to deliver back issues. *Boys' Life* will not begin for at least two months after you register.

**Joining Requirements
Parent/Guardian Information**

Boy Scout Troop/Varsity Team

Boy Scout Troop

Your son can be a Scout if he has completed the fifth grade and is at least 10 years old or is age 11 or has earned the Arrow of Light Award and is at least 10 years old, but has not reached age 18.

1. Complete the application (sign your name, indicating approval).
2. Give the completed application and fees to the Scoutmaster.
3. Secure a copy of the *Boy Scout Handbook* and complete the joining requirements as listed.

Health information. Please fill out the personal health history Class 1 form, No. 34414B, found on www.scouting.org/forms and give it to the unit leader.

Varsity Team

Varsity Scouting—A male youth must be at least 14 years of age and not yet 18.

(Complete the application process as above and give it to the Varsity Coach.)

Health information. Varsity Scouting involves strenuous activities. You should inform your Varsity Scout Coach of any condition that might limit your son's participation. Please fill out the personal health history Class 1 form, No. 34414B, found on www.scouting.org/forms and give it to the unit leader.

Cub Scout Pack

Pack membership is open to boys.

1. Complete the information on the application page and sign your name, indicating approval.
2. Give the completed application and fees to the Cubmaster.

Tiger Cub—Must be under the age of 8, have completed kindergarten or be in the first grade, or be age 7.

Cub Scout—Must have completed first grade but not completed third grade, or be age 8 or 9.

Webelos Scout—Must have completed third grade but not completed fifth grade, or be age 10 but not yet 11½.

Parent Agreement

I have read the Cub Scout Promise and I want my son to join the pack. I will assist him in observing the policies of the Boy Scouts of America and of his pack's chartered organization. I will

- While he is a *Tiger Cub*, serve as his adult partner and participate in all meetings and activities and approve his advancement.*
- While he is a *Cub Scout*, help him grow as a *Cub Scout* and approve his *Cub Scout* advancement.
- While he is a *Tiger Cub*, *Cub Scout*, or *Webelos Scout*, attend monthly pack meetings and take part in other activities; assist pack leaders as needed.

***If the parent is not serving as the adult partner, the parental signature on the application indicates approval of the adult partner and also if the adult partner does not live at the same address as the Tiger Cub, a separate adult application is required.**

Health information. Please fill out the personal health history Class 1 form, No. 34414B, found on www.scouting.org/forms and give it to the unit leader.

Venturing Crew/Sea Scout Ship (Coeducational)

I submit my \$10 registration fee for one year. I am at least 14 years of age and have completed the eighth grade or am 15 years of age and not yet 21. Must have parent/guardian approval if under 18 years of age.

Venturers and Sea Scouts registered in a crew or ship prior to their 21st birthday may continue as members after their 21st birthday until the crew or ship recharterers or until they reach their 22nd birthday, whichever comes first.

Venturing and Sea Scouting include challenging physical and mental activities. If you have not recently had a complete medical examination, you are urged to see your family physician. Notify your Advisor/Skipper if you require special medication or if your physician recommends limited activity. Please fill out the personal health history Class 1 form, No. 34414B, found on www.scouting.org/forms and give it to the unit leader.

Registration and Subscription Fee Chart		
Term per month	Youth/adult registration fee	Boys' Life subscription fee
1	.85	—
2	1.70	2.00
3	2.55	3.00
4	3.40	4.00
5	4.25	5.00
6	5.10	6.00
7	5.95	7.00
8	6.80	8.00
9	7.65	9.00
10	8.50	10.00
11	9.35	11.00
12	10.00	12.00

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TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

CERTIFICATE
(Good for 60 days)

This certifies that

_____ is a member of _____

Unit leader signature _____

Date _____

YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

This form is read by machine. Please print the numbers and letters as shown on the sample application.

Unit type: Cub Scout Boy Scout Varsity Scout Sea Scout Lone Cub Scout Unit number:
 (Fill in the circle.) Pack Troop Tiger Cub Cub Scout Webelos Scout Arrow of Light earned
 For pack registration select one: Former Scout Former Venturer Former Sea Scout
 Mark here if new to Scouting.

If applicant has an unexpired membership certificate, registration may be accomplished in this unit by paying \$1 for processing the transfer. Mark and attach certificate. It will be returned by the council.

Transfer application Transfer from council number: Unit type: Pack Troop Team Crew Ship Unit number:

Enter membership number from unexpired certificate:

Name and address information (Please print one letter in each space—press hard, you are making a copy.)

First name (No initials or nicknames) Middle name Last name Suffix

Country Mailing address City State Zip code

Home phone Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) Grade Ethnic background: African American American Indian Alaska Native Asian
 School / / / Caucasian/White Hispanic/Latino Pacific Islander Other
 Gender: Male Female

Boys' Life subscription

Parent/guardian or Tiger Cub adult partner information Mark here if address is same as above. Mark here if you are the Tiger Cub adult partner

Mark here if the adult partner is not living at the same address; complete and attach an adult application.

Select relationship: Parent Guardian Grandparent Last name Other (specify) Suffix

First name (No initials or nicknames) Middle name Last name Suffix

Country Mailing address City State Zip code

Home phone Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) Occupation Employer Gender: M F

Business phone Ext. Previous Scouting experience Cell phone

Parent/guardian e-mail address I have read the attached information sheet and approve the application (signature of parent/guardian required if applicant is under 18 years of age).

Signature of unit leader (or designee) Date Signature of parent/guardian
 2000 \$ \$ Boys' Life fee Signature of Venturer

YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

Unit type: Cub Scout Boy Scout Varsity Scout Venturing Sea Scout Lone Cub Scout
 (Fill in the circle.) Pack Troop Tiger Cub Cub Scout Former Venturer Webelos Scout Arrow of Light earned
 Unit number:

For pack registration select one: Mark here if new to Scouting. Former Scout Former Venturer Former Sea Scout

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First name (No initials or nicknames) Middle name Last name Suffix
 Country Mailing address City State Zip code

Home phone Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) Grade Ethnic background: African American American Indian Alaska Native Asian
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School Gender: Male Female **Boys' Life subscription**

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 Select relationship: Parent Guardian Grandparent Other (specify)
 First name (No initials or nicknames) Middle name Last name Suffix

Country Mailing address City State Zip code

Home phone Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) Occupation Employer Gender: M F
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Business phone Ext. Previous Scouting experience Cell phone

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Signature of unit leader (or designee) Date Signature of parent/guardian

Registration fee \$ Boys' Life fee \$ Signature of Venturer