



Scissortail District Roundtable

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Welcome to Roundtable

Pledge of Allegiance

Scout Oath

Scout Law

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.

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Hot Topics

**Cub Scout Program Changes
Effective June 2024**

**Scouts BSA Advancement Updates
Effective January 2024**

Eagle Board of Review (EBOR) Process

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Safety Moment - Anaphylaxis

Sudden, severe allergic reaction

Can be caused by food, insect stings or bites, medications, or chemicals

Foods are the most common cause

Common foods are peanuts, tree nuts, eggs, milk, wheat, soy, shellfish, fish, sesame seeds

Anaphylaxis can be life-threatening

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Anaphylaxis Signs

Hives

Throat tightness

Fainting

Difficulty breathing

Skin redness

Vomiting

Diarrhea

Chest pain

Swelling (mouth, tongue, eyes)

Hoarseness

Runny nose

Wheezing

Itching

Abdominal cramps

Headache

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Anaphylaxis Treatment

Anaphylaxis can kill very quickly

Have an evacuation plan if remote

Consider having an Epi-Pen in the FA Kit

Train unit leaders in using the Epi-Pen

**Scouts who have known severe allergies probably
have an Epi-Pen already**

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Anaphylaxis and Benadryl

While Benadryl is an antihistamine, it is NOT recommended for treatment of Anaphylaxis

Pill or liquid takes too long to act, and it's not strong enough to relieve severe swelling

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Upcoming Training

Wood Badge – 5-7 and 27-28 April

**Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), 2-3
March, JNSR**

**Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS), 9-10
March, JNSR**

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Recognition Corner

District Award of Merit



Scouter Training Award



Unit Leader Award of Merit



Every Scout Deserves a Trained Adult Leader!

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Cub Scout Program Changes

Effective June 2024

Bobcat

Now an Adventure for each rank (1 of 6)

Designed to be the first Adventure done for each rank

Focus on character development and leadership

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Cub Scout Program Changes

Six ranks

Lion, K

Tiger, 1st

Wolf, 2nd

Bear, 3rd

Webelos, 4th

Arrow of Light, 5th

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Cub Scout Program Changes

Six required Adventures (Bobcat + 5) for each rank

Two elective Adventures per rank

Adventures are coordinated across ages/ranks

Focus on fun, simple, and easy for Cubs

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Cub Scout Program Changes

**Youth awards and activities folded into elective
Adventures**

All ranks

Pinewood Derby/Raingutter Regatta

**Bike Rodeo, Fishing, Camping, Swimming,
Conservation**

Summer Pack Awad → Summer Fun Adventure

New STEM Adventures

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Cub Scout Program Changes

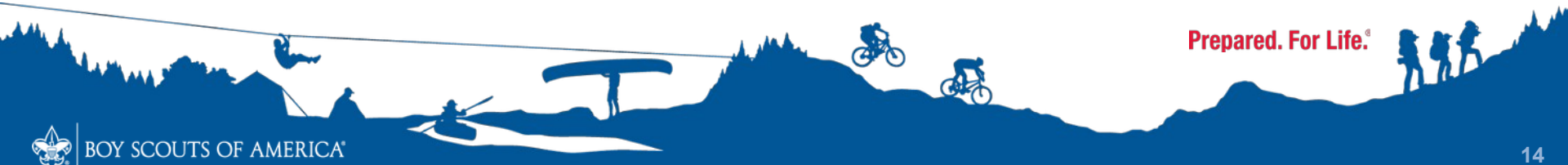
2024-2025

Cub Scout Badges of Rank Requirements

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

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

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Cub Scout Program Changes

**New Handbooks and Adventures
In Scout Shop early April**

**Online training updated
May 2024**

Changes go live: 1 June 2024

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Cub Scout Program Changes

BSA info link

<https://www.scouting.org/topics/program-updates/program-updates-cub-scouts/>



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Scouts BSA Advancement Updates

Effective now

**Cyberchip no longer required for Scout and Star
Personal Safety Awareness training is required
instead**

Eagle Palm 3 months time in service is eliminated

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Scouts BSA Advancement Updates

14 Merit Badges changed requirements significantly

Eagle required

First Aid – more hands-on

Sustainability – major reorganization

Swimming – demonstrate proper swimming strokes

Camping – conservation project done during a camp

**Cooking – changes to number of meals
planned/cooked**

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Scouts BSA Advancement Updates

Non-Eagle required (selection)

Canoeing – major reorganization

Golf – added disc golf

Insect Study – expanded requirements

Safety – included natural disasters

Skating – added skateboard option

Surveying – added drone use

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Multiple step Eagle Board of Review (EBOR) process

Unit/Beneficiary

District

Council/National

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Governed by BSA Guide To Advancement (GtA)

All requirements must be met, and no requirements may be added or deleted

Unit leaders should become familiar with “routine labor” to help guide Scout in project selection

Leadership and directing others (Scouts and adults)

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Project must be a challenge to the Scout

A project can include routine labor, but that routine labor cannot be a majority of the project

No minimum number of hours can be required

While projects can be selected during Star, no work can be accomplished until Life is earned

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Scout MUST complete all requirements prior to 18th birthday

Leadership role (6 months)

Merit Badges

Time in rank (6 months)

Project

Scoutmaster Conference

The project report and EBOR may be completed up to six months after the 18th birthday

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Unit and Beneficiary

Scout and beneficiary select a project

Guidance from unit leadership

Scout must be doing the majority of the work, can direct others, or seek input

Project documented in Eagle Project Workbook

Proposal section completed and signed by Scout, beneficiary rep, Scoutmaster, and Committee Chair

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

District

Scout contacts District EBOR rep (bpeagleboard@gmail.com) and requests a project review

Project reviews are generally once a month

Project is reviewed and approved or improvements suggested

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Scout/Unit/Beneficiary

Scout completes detailed planning using Eagle Project Workbook, and executes project

Any deviations are documented

Beneficiary approves completion

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Scout/Unit/Beneficiary

Scout documents project in Eagle Project Workbook

Project Report signed by Scout, Beneficiary, and Scoutmaster

**Scout completes Eagle Scout Rank Application.
Also signed by Scout, Scoutmaster, and Committee Chair**

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Council/National

Scout brings completed Eagle Application to Council Service Center for verification

Takes a day if Scout is < 18YO, or a couple days of Scout > 18YO

Verification is done with ScoutBook data

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

District

Scout schedules an EBOR with District

Scout makes 3 copies of Project Workbook, writes a statement of life purpose (3 copies also), and asks for letters of reference

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

District

If employed, one letter from employer; one from a religious leader, and rest from people who know the Scout

Letters are to be sealed by writer and sent to the Scout, who brings them unopened to the EBOR

EBOR held, and application signed by EBOR chair

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Scouts BSA EBOR Process

Council/National

Signed Eagle app brought to Council office, signed by Scout Executive

Application sent to National, which approves, and provides Eagle medal package back to Council, which provides to the Scout

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Questions and Open Discussion



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