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# **AIMS & METHODS OF SCOUTING**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Boy Scouts of 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.

### **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 Obedient  
Loyal Cheerful  
Helpful Thrifty  
Friendly Brave  
Courteous Clean  
Kind Reverent

For more information on the Aims and Methods of Scouting, please refer to the BSA Troop Committee Handbook (pages 3 and 4).

## **ABOUT TROOP 990**

- **Troop History:** The Troop was chartered at Grace Fellowship Church in June 1985, as a part of the ministry to the young men of the church. In 2009, the troop moved to New Heart Christian Fellowship in Broken Arrow, OK.
- **Troop Organization:** The Troop consists of two distinct groups: the boys (Troop) and the adults who support the Troop's activities (Committee). The Troop is headed up by the scoutmaster who is responsible for overseeing the programs, activities, and discipline of the young men. The Troop Committee, headed up by the Committee Chairman, is responsible for the support of the Scoutmaster in both areas of Program and Discipline.

## **SCOUT AND PARENT EXPECTATIONS**

The following list highlights several of the key expectations of our Scouts and their parents that are necessary to ensure your son's experiences are safe, memorable, and effective.

- A Scout who disrupts meetings, or behaves in a manner unbecoming a Scout will be asked to call his parents and will be sent home until such time as he can show his actions are acceptable.
- The personal safety of all Scouts and leaders is of prime importance whenever we are camping or on any other Scouting activity.
  1. Scouts are not permitted to bring aerosol sprays to camp.
  2. Liquid fuels are to be handled under adult supervision.
  3. Firearms are not permitted on Scouting activities, unless specified for that activity, and then only under the supervision of a NRA certified adult shooting instructor or Range Safety Officer.

- Unless specifically allowed under special circumstances, no radios, radios / CD players / MP3 players, games, cell phones, or similar electronic gear, are allowed on troop activities. This policy eliminates the problem of expensive equipment of distracting the scout, becoming lost, or being damaged.
- Parents are expected to support their son in his Scouting venture. It is important the family stays aware of their Scout's progress and serves as a resource to their son, and where possible, the entire Troop.
- Scouts are not to be left alone before or after an activity, meeting or outing. If you arrive early at an activity, you must await the arrival of a participating leader.
- Troop 990 views Scouting as a time where boys are mentored and transition into manhood. The troop depends on adult men, specifically fathers and dads, to be positive role models and participate in troop meetings, campouts, and planning sessions.

## **BEHAVIORAL POLICY**

### **Scout Oath and-Law:**

Troop 990 believes Scouts should be taught the basics of their relationships with other people within the home environment. Scouts are expected to adhere to the principles of the Scout Oath and Scout Law in their rank advancement and their dealings with all people. These principles provide life-long guidelines for successful relationships and character development. All ranks require that the Scout have demonstrated effective 'Scout Spirit' for advancement.

### **How to Resolve Problems within the Troop:**

As with any group, there are times when problems develop and solutions to those problems must be addressed. Below are guidelines for conflict resolution.

**Scouts:** When problems arise between scouts, the offended scout should go to his Patrol Leader. If he does not feel he has received satisfactory resolution, he and the Patrol Leader should go to the Senior Patrol Leader. If the problem is still not resolved, this group should approach either the Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster and once again present the problem. The answer given by the Troop Leader(s) is the final decision.

It is the policy of the Boy Scouts and the Troop that the Scoutmaster and or his Assistants are the ultimate authority when dealing with the resolution of conflicts arising with the boys. The Scoutmaster and his Assistants will not necessarily report every instance of behavioral problems to the parents unless the problems persist or they are of such magnitude that they feel that the parents should be involved (see the following section 'Troop 990 Discipline Policy'). The Scoutmaster or his designate may call and request that the parents come to the Scouting event and pick-up their son if it is determined that the good of the unit is best served by this action.

**Leaders:** Troop Leaders are expected to model effective problem resolution for the youth. They are expected to take problems to the source and resolve conflict one-on-one with other Leaders. Problems that are not resolved to the satisfaction of those involved should be brought to the attention of the Committee Chairman or the Charter Organization Representative.

## **TROOP 990 DISCIPLINE POLICY**

### **Purpose**

Troop 990 exists to develop personal character in a safe and encouraging environment. This policy provides the guidelines by which adult leaders will address behavioral problems.

Examples of inappropriate behavior include but are not limited to: stealing, lying, use of profanity, demeaning humor, actions that berate, taunt, or threaten, or any physical contact expressed in anger or with the intent to inflict harm or hurt.

### **Procedure**

Inappropriate behavior will be dealt with by a consensus of the adult leaders in charge of the scouting event or activity.

### **Subsequent Offenses or Particularly Inappropriate Behavior**

Subsequent offenses or any incident which is judged by the Troop Committee to be particularly cruel, hurtful, or threatening may result in the Committee taking immediate action to implement probation or revoke troop membership without implementing lesser disciplines.

### **Reference**

1. *Troop Committee Guidebook*, 2002 printing, page 42, "Behavioral Problems"
2. *The Scoutmaster Handbook*, 2002 printing, pages 131 & 132, "Inappropriate Behavior" and "Dealing with Behavioral Concerns"

## **TROOP 990 UNIFORM POLICY**

### **OVERVIEW**

The wearing of proper uniforms promotes better discipline, pride in one's appearance, a feeling of belonging, and places all Scouts on the same level. The Troop has established the following policy regarding uniforms.

Uniforms must be clean and in good repair.

Class "A" uniforms will be worn by scouts and registered adult leaders at all times except for:

1. While at campsite
2. Unless otherwise specified by the scoutmaster

## **CLASS A UNIFORM**

A complete Class 'A' uniform for the Troop shall consist of the following parts:

1. BSA Scout Handbook (not required for leaders)
2. BSA Khaki uniform shirt (short or long sleeve)
3. BSA green pants or shorts
4. BSA approved belt
5. BSA green socks
6. Troop 990 Neckerchief

## **CLASS "B" UNIFORM**

A Class "B" uniform for the Troop consists of the scout belt, scout pants/shorts and scout socks listed above in the Class "A" uniform, plus a "Boy Scout" T-shirt (Troop 990 T-shirt, or T-shirts received at Scout functions that identify the Scout as a member of the Boy Scouts of America).

## **REGULAR MEETINGS**

Parents are encouraged and invited to participate in all Troop meetings and the functions below.

### Troop Meeting:

- Attendees: All Scouts, Leaders, and Parents
- When: Mondays (Except the Monday following a campout and holidays) 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
- Where: New Heart Christian Fellowship (107<sup>th</sup> and County Line in Broken Arrow, OK)

### Patrol Leader's Council:

- Attendees: Troop and Patrol Officers, Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmasters
- When: Monday following a troop campout 7:00 – 8:30 PM
- Where: Determined by the Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader

### Troop Committee:

- Attendees: Committee Members & Parents
- When: Monday following a monthly campout, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- Where: New Heart Christian Fellowship
- Notes:
  - Non-committee parents will not be allowed to vote during Troop Committee votes
  - Should a husband / wife both serve on the Troop Committee, only 1 vote will be allowed for the pair

### Boy Scout Roundtable:

- Attendees: Adult Troop leaders
- When: Second Thursday of each month (date and time set by Twin Arrows)
- Where: (Set by the Twin Arrows)

### Patrol Meetings:

- Attendees: Patrol Members and at least one adult
- When: As called by the Patrol Leader

### Courts of Honor:

- Attendees: Entire Troop and parents
- When: Twice per year and as noted on the Troop's calendar
- Where: As determined by the Patrol Leader Council

## **OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT**

It is recommended that only a minimal amount of equipment be purchased until the Scout has determined his interest in camping and outdoor activities.

### Recommended Outdoors Equipment:

**The 10 Essentials as shown in the BSA Scout Handbook are the absolute minimum equipment requirements for a Troop campout or Summer Camp.**

- Sturdy hiking boots: ..... Need not be expensive, but consider a sturdy, over-the-ankle, insulated boot that is comfortable with outer socks.
- Socks: ..... Appropriate sock for the activity
- Pocket knife:..... Scout-issue type, lock-back, or "Whittler's Knife" is excellent choices. A scout must earn the Totin Chip prior to carrying the knife on any Scouting function.
- Ground cloth:..... Approximately 8' x 8', heavy plastic
- Sleeping bag: ..... Troop 990 is a year-round camping troop. A warm sleeping bag will make or break your Scout. Look around first...we can help you.
- Ground pad ..... A must to preserve warmth and cushion rocky terrain. A minimum  $\frac{3}{4}$  length, closed-cell foam pad or self-inflating mattress is preferred.
- Backpack:..... Look at other Scout's before buying.

## **ADVANCEMENT PLAN**

Our Troop provides excellent opportunity for a Scout to be recognized for accomplishing personal goals of advancement. Specific requirements are outlined in the Boy Scout Handbook and Merit Badge Pamphlets.

**A Scout LEARNS new skill...**

**He PRACTICES that skill...**

**He is TESTED on that skill...**

**He is RECOGNIZED for his accomplishment**

### **SCOUT SKILLS and MERIT BADGES**

**SCOUT SKILLS** are emphasized for the ranks of Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class. It is a goal of Scouting to see a boy reach the First Class rank after approximately one year in the program. This may vary based on individual participation.

Scout skills may be approved by one of the following: a First Class Scout (designated by the scoutmaster), or Adult Leader. The individual Scout must ensure his Scout file records are signed for each requirement

**MERIT BADGES** are intended to provide a Scout an opportunity for in-depth study; and require proficiency to complete the requirements for a given badge.

A Scout seeking a merit badge must complete the standard merit badge application form and have it approved by the Scoutmaster **BEFORE** beginning work on the merit badge.

A Scout is required to obtain a personal copy of the particular merit badge book for the subject he is pursuing or may print out the requirements from <http://www.meritbadge.org>.

Merit badge Counselors are approved by the Council, District, and Troop Committee. Scouts must make an appointment with the Merit Badge Counselor before beginning work on a specific badge. The Counselor discusses the merit badge requirements with the scout and helps the scout create a plan to complete the merit badge.

Once the Merit Badge Counselor has signed off on completion of the requirements, the scout must then make an appointment with the Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster to review the merit badge requirements. Once the Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster has approved the merit badge, the scout must then turn in the required form to the Troop Advancement Coordinator for receipt of the merit badge.

**Troop 990 Recommended Merit Badges**

Cooking	
Camping	Eagle Required
Hiking	Eagle Required
First Aid	Eagle Required
Wilderness Survival	
Swimming	Eagle Required

**SCOUTMASTER'S CONFERENCE**

The SCOUTMASTER'S CONFERENCE affords the leader an opportunity to get to know a Scout on a more personal basis. Personal goals will be discussed and set.

A conference is required for each rank. The positions responsible are as noted:

- Scout ..... Scoutmaster
- Tenderfoot..... Scoutmaster /Assistant Scoutmaster
- 2nd Class ..... Scoutmaster /Assistant Scoutmaster
- 1st Class ..... Scoutmaster /Assistant Scoutmaster
- Star..... Scoutmaster /Assistant Scoutmaster
- Life ..... Scoutmaster
- Eagle ..... Scoutmaster

Additional conferences will be conducted as deemed necessary by the Scout, his parents, or Scout leaders.

## **THE BOARD OF REVIEW**

In accordance with BSA procedures, a Scout must be signed-off for advancement by appearing before a Board of Review.

**The Board will review the Scout's KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ATTITUDE.**

After the Scout has a successful Scoutmaster conference, he needs to inform the Troop Advancement Coordinator of his accomplishment and request a Board of Review. **Boards of Review are held once a month and should be requested at least one week prior to allow the Board sufficient time to review the Scout's records.**

The scout must **APPEAR IN FULL CLASS A UNIFORM** and should be prepared to submit appropriate documentation of requirement completion, i.e. signed Handbook and other documentation related to specific requirements.

The Board may ask a Scout to repeat the Scout Oath and Law and explain what it means. It may also ask the candidate to demonstrate certain skills learned for this or any previous rank.  
**BOTTOM LINE: "Be Prepared".**

The Board of Review will be conducted by an odd number of Troop Committee Members but no less than three, for ranks Tenderfoot through Life. The designated Board of Review chairman will complete the appropriate documentation and submit it to the Troop Advancement Coordinator. All advancements must be approved by the Scoutmaster.

The Eagle Board of Review is conducted at the District level and must be coordinated through the District Advancement Coordinator.

The TROOP ADVANCEMENT COORDINATOR will complete the awards order forms and procure advancement badges and recognition regalia.

## **RELIGIOUS AWARDS PROGRAM**

Scouting believes that a young man's personal growth includes a personal conviction to his religious principles. As a Scout pledges himself to live the Scout Oath, he reaffirms his Duty *to* God. As he follows the Scout Law in his everyday life, Reverence is one of the characteristics he displays.

The Religious Awards Program offers a Scout the opportunity to further his knowledge and dedication to his faith or denomination by partnering him with a leader of the local body who serves as his counselor and mentor. The program is administered by P.R.A.Y., St. Louis, MO, and the awards are available to both youth and adult members.

# **EXEMPLARY VALUES AWARDS PROGRAM**

## **Purpose**

Troop 990 "Exemplary Values Awards" will be presented to recognize individuals who have demonstrated outstanding Learning, Leadership, Fun, and Respect. These awards are not a part of the official Boy Scouts of America program, but provide a supplementary recognition for those individuals who consistently model a Troop 990 value in their Scouting or life experiences. The goal of the program is to motivate and recognize Troop values, and therefore encourage the behaviors we desire.

## **Selection of Recipients**

Nominations of candidates by Scouts, Parents, Committee Members, and others are always welcome, and should be communicated to the Scout Master or Senior Patrol Leader. The selection of the recipients is the responsibility of the Troop Committee and the Patrol Leader's Council, and is final with the announcement of the winners.

A majority vote of those present at the Troop Committee meeting or Patrol Leader's Council will determine the winner. In the event of a tie, the Scoutmaster will cast the deciding vote for the Troop Committee and the Senior Patrol Leader will cast the deciding vote for the Patrol Leader's Council. Every effort will be made to administer this program impartially and consistently and in the spirit of encouragement and recognition that is intended.

## **Rules**

1. The criteria for recognition may change, but we'll do our best to always notify the Troop when changes occur.
2. While we envision that all four recognitions will be presented each six months, the Patrol Leader's Council and the Troop Committee may withhold any or all of the recognitions if worthy candidates do not emerge.
3. While this program is intended to be primarily a youth-recognition, an award may be presented to an adult.
4. No scout or adult may be awarded more than one award during the same nomination period.
5. Scouts and adults may not nominate themselves for an award.

## **Category Descriptions**

### **Learning**

This award recognizes an individual who is excited to learn and apply new skills and information. This person loves learning and shares their knowledge and wisdom freely with others. They are excited about teaching skills to others, and in the case of a youth Scout, are actively advancing in rank and the accumulation of merit badges and special recognitions. **This recipient is selected by the Troop Committee.**

### **Leadership**

This award recognizes an individual who effectively fulfills their leadership role. This individual typically completes tasks on time, with excellence, and with a great attitude. They set an example of motivating people, resolving conflict, and delegating tasks, encouraging others, and getting results. **This recipient will be selected by the Patrol Leader's Council.** Special consideration will be given to those individuals who have an official leadership role.

## Fun

This award recognizes an individual who enjoys Scouting and creates a fun, good natured, relaxing environment. This individual always seems to enjoy what they are doing, and helps others enjoy the scouting experience. They are fun, optimistic, good natured, encouraging, and able to laugh at themselves. **This recipient will be selected by the Patrol Leader's Council.** Special consideration will be given to those who use clean humor, appropriate for the situation, and who do not have or create fun at the expense of another's dignity.

## Respect

This award recognizes an individual who treats others with kindness and respect. This person typically uses titles of authority or position and uses appropriate verbal and non-verbal communication. This person consistently treats all in authority, including peers, and subordinates with respect and authority. **This recipient is selected by the Troop Committee.** Special consideration will be given to those Individuals who are seldom cautioned for distractions, talkativeness, and sarcasm.

## **TROOP AND PATROL LEADERSHIP**

Youth Leadership: The Troop is led by its youth-leaders (the Patrol Leader's Council or PLC) under the guidance of the Scoutmaster and his assistants. For additional information on the functions of the PLC and its voting members, see the BSA Troop Committee Guidebook pgs. 11-12.

Selection Process: As a requirement for the Star, Life, and Eagle ranks, a Scout must provide leadership within his Troop or patrol. When he is ready for this step, he should indicate his interest in a position using the 'Troop 990 Leadership Application' included in this handbook and provide the completed application to the Scoutmaster or Senior Patrol Leader. The application must be signed by the Scout, his parent(s), and the Scoutmaster indicating they understand and agree to the commitment being considered. The approved Troop leadership positions for rank advancement are listed in the Boy Scout Handbook. A Scout may hold offices in the Patrol and Troop for consecutive terms provided he is reappointed by the current Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster or reelected by the Troop or Patrol.

Attendance Qualification for Leadership Positions: Attendance of our Troop Leadership at meetings and activities is expected and is a responsibility of the position. Effective leadership can not be learned and demonstrated without practice in the Troop and Patrol setting. Therefore, attendance at no less than 75% of all Troop and Patrol functions will be considered a minimum requirement to fulfill a leadership position. Youth Leaders should make verbal contact with their scoutmaster or one of his assistants when they are unable to attend. Three functions missed without previous arrangements will suggest the need for a replacement. Should a Scout be removed from office for this reason, he will not be eligible to hold elected office for one term. The required time that the young man must serve in a leadership positions and count toward rank advancement will depend on the rank he is seeking. Consult the **Boy Scout Handbook** for these time requirements.

**The following advanced youth leadership training is encouraged by the troop:**

[Pinetree](#)

[National Youth Leadership Training](#)

[National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience](#)

## **ACTIVITIES, TOURS, and CAMPS**

The Troop follows the BSA "***Guide to Safe Scouting***" in conducting activities and outings. Several key provisions of this guide are provided below. Reference the Guide for current information.

- When deemed necessary, an appropriate assessment will be levied to help cover transportation costs.
- This program will not encourage or allow women on camp-outs unless it is a family campout. Female leadership is welcomed during family campouts.

## **ADULT LEADERSHIP**

Strong adult leadership is the key to the success of the Troop. Troop 990 will cover the cost of committee approved adult training.

The Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters serve as the program staff, while the Troop Committee serves as the administrative staff. Careful planning and coordination by these two staffs are required for a smooth operating Troop. Troop 990 reserves the program staff positions to males only. The troop uses these opportunities to mentor and provide male role model influence to the boys. There are other opportunities such as committee positions, merit badge counselors, and green star moms for female participation in the troop. Adult leaders are expected to register at [myscouting.scouting.org](http://myscouting.scouting.org) and complete the required trainings for their position of responsibility.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

- A. Transporting Scouts: Scouts are responsible for finding transportation to and from the meetings.
- B. Early or Late Arrival / Pickup of Scouts: No scout may be “dropped off” unattended. If your son must arrive earlier or stay later than the announced time, contact the leader in charge of the activity to make special arrangements.
- C. Vehicles for Transportation: All vehicles used in the transportation of Scouts must comply with the transportation requirements as listed in the Guide to Safe Scouting pgs. 49-52.
- D. Fuel Charges: Parents driving their personal vehicles will receive monies from each scout they transport to cover fuel charges. The reimbursement amount is set for each campout based on distance.

## **FINANCING THE TROOP OPERATIONS**

### **General**

All Scouts and leaders are required to be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. Annual fees are based on a balanced budget submitted by the Treasurer and approved by the Troop Committee. The Troop Committee reserves the right to assess per-Scout equipment fees, the dollar value and timing of which may vary from year-to-year depending on the anticipated or realized equipment or training needs of the Troop.

Scouts joining after January 1 will be assessed a prorated registration fee equal to the number of full months remaining in the calendar year times the yearly fee divided by 12. The prorated fee shall not exceed the yearly fee and will not be less than one-twelfth the yearly fee. If any current-year equipment fees have been assessed to the Troop prior to a new Scout's arrival, a prorated fee will be similarly assessed. Annual dues as determined by the troop committee will be deducted from the scout's account and the balance, if any, billed to the scout.

### **Troop Funds**

All monies are maintained by the Troop Treasurer. The Treasurer is authorized to make any reimbursements of \$100 or less without prior committee approval. Expenses greater than \$100 shall be pre-approved by the Troop Committee prior to the distribution of a reimbursement. At least two signatures are required on the Troop checks.

If you pay dues, assessments for trips and campouts, or purchasing equipment or literature through the Troop, obtain a written receipt of the transaction in order to receive reimbursement. The Troop Treasurer will be available at many Troop meetings to receive payments and provide reimbursements.

### **Fund Raising**

Fund raising campaigns will be obtained and coordinated by the Green Star Moms for the purpose of funding program features or acquiring needed equipment or required training. It is expected that each member of the Troop will participate in all troop fund raising campaigns or pay a “buy-out fee” as determined by the committee of not less than \$50 and not more than \$100 based on the fund raising need. Individual benefits from any fund raising effort will be determined by the Troop Committee (i.e. personal credit toward activities, awards, prizes, etc.)

### **Personal Scout Accounts**

As a convenience for Scouts and families, a non-interest bearing accumulation of personal monies is made available for each Scout. Personal funds are earmarked within the Troop's general operating funds and represent the proceeds of the Scout-earned money during Troop fundraising. **No cash deposits into a personal account are permitted.** Personal funds can be allocated toward approved Scouting activities (fees, camping equipment, Scout-Shop mementos, merit badge pamphlets, etc). Personal funds can not be used for school clothes, gifts, sports equipment, etc. Requests for reimbursements from a personal account must be accompanied by a receipt or a Troop invoice.

An individual may not withdraw any funds in cash unless withdrawing from the Troop. A Scout transferring to another Troop may have his account transferred directly to a personal account at the new unit upon written request by the new unit. If the new Troop does not offer a personal savings account, funds can be dispersed in a check upon written request of the Scout's parents or legal guardian. Funds from Scouts withdrawing from the Troop will be maintained in the Troop's general account and reserved to that Scout for no more than 30 days, after which unused account balances will be allocated for scholarship needs.

### **Fees for Summer Camp and High Adventure Activities**

Long-term camping and high adventure opportunities require greater costs than monthly camping. The fees for such activities will be established at the earliest possible date to give the Scout the maximum time to raise the funds. Often the Troop is required to pay fees according to a specific payment schedule to the destination camp long before the Troop's arrival date. Scouts may use funds in their personal account for special events. Generally, fees will be collected in three or more payments. Typically a \$50 to \$100 non-refundable deposit will reserve a place, with the balance due in equal payments as established by the Troop Committee.

### **Unpaid or Late Fees and Expenses**

Scouts with delinquent fees are subject to restricted participation in Troop activities. A Scout with an unpaid Troop registration, equipment fee, or an unpaid registration fee for a prior-year's high adventure or summer camp will not be allowed to register for a current-year's camp and will not be re-registered until past due balance is paid in full. Scholarships or payment plans will be considered for approval by the Troop Committee.

### **Scholarships**

Funds may be available to scholarship certain fees. A request for a scholarship should be made known to the Troop Committee Chairman or Treasurer who will discreetly present the need to the Troop Committee. The Committee will approve or decline all scholarship decisions by a majority vote of those present at the committee meeting during which the need is discussed.

## **MEDICAL EVALUATION / CERTIFICATION**

The Boy Scouts of America and Troop 990 requires an up-to-date medical history and parental release for leaders to seek medical attention should the need arise. The official BSA "Annual Health and Medical Record" may be partially completed on-line, printed and taken with you for the physician to complete and sign.

Each member of the Troop (Adults and youths) must have an updated physical on file annually. The medical form will be filed in the Scout's individual records. The Troop reserves the right to make copies of the medical forms to ensure each month's that the Outdoors Chairman has immediate access to the records.

**Parents: It is absolutely imperative that the Scoutmaster be informed of any of your son's medical and or dietary needs. It is the parent's responsibility to coordinate medical and or dietary needs with Troop leadership.**

The Outdoors Chairman will ensure that all medical forms are current and are available for all trips and camps.

## **INSURANCE**

Troop 990 has a separate insurance policy through the Council on all properly registered members of the Troop. This is a supplemental insurance policy designed to cover any health insurance claims not covered under your own insurance policy. In the event that you do not have health insurance, it becomes the primary policy. This covers any claims resulting from a Troop activity. The following insurance provisions should be considered:

- Medical insurance is the responsibility of the individual family.
- The Troop will enroll in the BSA activity insurance offered by the appropriate BSA-policy at the time of annual re-charter. This is not a primary insurer, and coverage is limited.
- Liability and Medical insurance during travel is the responsibility of the vehicle owner / operator.
- The Indian Nations Council does not carry personal medical insurance.

## **ONLINE RESOURCES**

The following websites are suggested as additional sources of information regarding Boy Scouts of America.

<a href="#">Troop 990 Website</a> .....	Troop 990's official website with current information regarding the operation of the troop. To ensure the safety of our Scout's, a signed parent's approval must be on file in the scout's records prior to publishing any pictures containing images of Scouts under the age of 18.
<a href="#">National BSA Website</a> .....	The official, national BSA website
<a href="#">Boy's Life Magazine</a> .....	The website for "Boy's Life", the official youth magazine of the BSA
<a href="#">Merit Badge Worksheets</a> .....	A comprehensive site specializing in the current requirement for all merit badges and advancements.
<a href="#">US Scouting Service Project</a> .....	A comprehensive site providing practical ideas and information for successful Scouting.
<a href="#">Indian Nations Council</a> .....	The official website of the Indian Nation's Council to which Troop 990 belongs.
<a href="#">Twin Arrows District</a> .....	The official website of the Twin Arrows District to which Troop 990 belongs.
<a href="#">Campmor Camping Gear Website</a> .....	One of several on-line outdoor equipment catalogs that provides a comprehensive collection of camping and hiking supplies. This is an excellent resource for conveniently comparing product prices and features prior to making a purchase.

# Troop 990 Leadership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Leadership Positions: \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance (past 6 months): \_\_\_\_\_

## Positions available and how they are selected:

Appointed by Scout Master	Elected by Troop	Appointed by Senior Patrol Leader	Elected by Patrol	Appointed by Patrol Leader
Jr. Assistant Scoutmaster	Senior Patrol Leader	Assistant Sr. Patrol Leader	Patrol Leader	Assistant Patrol Leader
Den Chief		Troop Chaplain Aide		Patrol Scribe
Troop Instructor		Troop Historian		Patrol Quartermaster
Troop Guide		Troop Librarian		
		Troop Quartermaster		
		Troop Scribe		

List your first three choices for leadership roles:

1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice

For your first choice, use this space to tell why you want this job, how you would do the job, and why you are the best choice for this position.

### Scout's Agreement

I have read the job descriptions for these positions. I understand the duties and responsibilities and if selected will carry them out to the best of my ability. A failure to complete these duties may result in my not receiving rank advancement credit for my time in this position.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

### Parent's Support Agreement

I agree with the commitment my son is making. I promise to support him in attending training, troop meetings, and troop activities as well as with encouragement at home. I realize that once selected, his presence is necessary for the smooth functioning of the troop.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)