



Eleven Year Old Scouts

(EYO)

**Tenderfoot Scout
To
First Class Scout
In One Year**

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WELCOME

- ▶ We are glad you are here today
- ▶ This presentation is a practicum for the Eleven-year-old (EYO) Scout Program
- ▶ Review of Scout principles, Church Scouting principals and how to best implement

“Wherefore, now let every man learn his duty, and to act in the office in which he is appointed, in all diligence.” D&C 107:99



The EYO Scout Leader Calling

- ▶ A leader for the eleven-year-old Scouts has the unique calling of helping eleven-year-old (EYO) boys learn Scouting skills and principles which will help prepare them to receive the Aaronic Priesthood.
- ▶ They learn, through weekday activities, to practice skills and principles that reinforce gospel lessons taught during Sunday Primary.



Purpose of Scouting for Us

The purpose of Scouting in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints:

To Bring Young men to Christ



Purposes of Scouting

- ▶ Character Development
- ▶ Citizenship Training
- ▶ Moral, Physical, Emotional, & Spiritual Fitness

It is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America to serve others by helping to instill values in young people, and other ways to prepare them to make ethical choices during their lifetime in achieving their full potential. The values we strive to instill are based on the Scout Oath and Law.



The Purpose of Your Calling

Help the assigned young men in your ward, age 11, to build desirable qualities of character, learn leadership skills, be aware of the responsibilities of citizenship, develop personal fitness, and help these young men honor their priesthood.



Guidelines for Your Stewardship

- ▶ 1. Register with the Boy Scouts of America and wear a full Scout uniform
- ▶ 2. Become trained: Fast Start, New Leaders Essentials, Scoutmaster's fundamentals, Youth Protection
- ▶ 3. Get to know and become closely aware of all New Scouts in your ward
- ▶ 4. Conduct weekly scout meetings
- ▶ 5. Work with and report to the ward Primary President
- ▶ 6. Develop and have at least one campout during the year
- ▶ 7. Supervise a working advancement program with the goal of each Scout becoming 1st Class in the first year



Guidelines for Your Stewardship

- ▶ 8. Encourage the importance of earning the 1st Class Award by the time each EYO Scout is 12 years old
- ▶ 9. With the boys develop a *tentative* troop activities plan for the entire year; then plan and carry out a *definite* calendar for at least three months in advance
- ▶ 10. Implement the outlined Scouting program
- ▶ 11. Read and follow the manuals fully
- ▶ 12. Maintain the standards of a chartered organization and BSA
- ▶ 13. Ensure the EYO Scout patrol functions properly regarding coordinated camping and hiking
- ▶ 14. Continuously train scouts to plan and operate a Quality Award program and to wear the full scout uniform..



Guidelines for Your Stewardship

- ▶ 15. Secure adult assistance and resources as needed through your adult/parent Committee
- ▶ 16. Become proficient at being a good leader developer, through study, awareness and application
- ▶ 17. Through the adult Troop Committee, provide trip permits for all outside the ward activities involving travel
- ▶ 18. Encourage parent involvement
- ▶ 19. Encourage *Boys Life* subscription coming into the home
- ▶ 20. Maintain two-deep leadership in all activities
- ▶ 21. Follow Rule One:

Rule Number One
Make it fun!



Qualifications You Should Develop

- ▶ Ability to work closely with your young men.
- ▶ Ability to organize time effectively
- ▶ Ability to develop leadership and team spirit and follow the Scouting program as outlined
- ▶ A testimony and good relationship with the Lord

The Four 'T' of Scouting

▶ Time.

▶ Testimony

▶ Training

▶ Tenure



Meetings / Activities to Attend

- ▶ 1. Regular Troop/Patrol meetings
- ▶ 2. Monthly Troop Committee meeting
- ▶ 3. District Round Table each month
- ▶ 4. District and Council activities
- ▶ 5. General church meetings

Average amount of time spent in your calling per week: 4-6 hours



The 1st Class Emphasis Program

In 1989, a 1st Class Emphasis program was introduced to encourage eleven-year-old Scouts to attain First Class Rank within their first year. This program is:

► Action-oriented and can easily be incorporated into patrol meetings. The Tenderfoot Scout through First Class Scout requirements will:

- ▶ 1. Be a hands-on experience.
- ▶ 2. Be a progressive learning process, whereby each previous rank's skills will be expanded upon.
- ▶ 3. Permit a Scout to work on requirements for these ranks simultaneously.
- ▶ 4. Not require a merit badge.
- ▶ 5. Require participation in ten patrol activities, including three one night overnight camps. These activities are in addition to patrol meetings.
- ▶ 6. Be more than 80 percent outdoor-related.
- ▶ 7. Requires participation in a service project for Second Class rank.



Tenderfoot to 1st Class in First Year – The Basics

- ▶ Complete Tenderfoot, 2nd Class, & 1st Class requirements within one year
- ▶ Boys enter and exit program throughout the year
- ▶ Not possible to go through requirements as a group
- ▶ Requires a logical approach tailor to the seasons & includes 3 nights of camping (October, April, & June)
- ▶ Details later in this presentation





Skill Areas for EYO Scouts

- ▶ Cooking
- ▶ Citizenship
- ▶ Camping
- ▶ Service
- ▶ Scout Spirit
- ▶ Ropes and Lashings
- ▶ Map & Compass
- ▶ Recruiting*
- ▶ Woods Tools
- ▶ Plant & Animal Identification
- ▶ Safe Hiking
- ▶ The Buddy System
- ▶ Safe Swim Defense
- ▶ Safety Afloat
- ▶ Physical Fitness

*New 1st Class Scout Requirement



Scout Rank Immediately

No matter when the boy enters EYO Scouts, he should pass the requirements for the Scout Rank immediately and be awarded the Scout Rank badge in a EYO Scout meeting or a Court of Honor.



Scout Rank Insignia



Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class Ranks all at Once

- ▶ With a year-round EYO Scout Tenderfoot to First Class program, the EYO Scouts may be awarded their Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks all at once at the end of their EYO year, just prior to turning 12 years old and entering the Deacon's Scout Troop.
- ▶ BSA advancement rules permit this.

Tenderfoot



2nd Class



1st Class





EYO Camping

- ▶ The Church policy on EYO Scouts is that they have only three, one night overnight campouts in a year.
- ▶ The principle campouts in October (BSA District Fall Camporee), April (BSA District Spring Camporee), and June EYO Campout will provide these campouts.
- ▶ However, since not all the boys may be able to attend the three principle campouts, additional campouts will need to be planned as make-ups.
- ▶ Only the boys who have not had three campouts should attend the make-up camps but Scout youth protection and safety rules must be followed so that there must be a minimum of two youth and two adults for camping (and activities).
- ▶ In this case, if this requires a boy to camp more than three times a year to help another boy meet his three night camping requirements, leaders should counsel with their Primary and Priesthood leaders to receive permission for this exception. (Page 4, LDS Scouting Handbook; BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.)



Monthly Saturday Outings

- ▶ EYO Scouts should have a monthly Saturday activity or campout to practice and become proficient in Scout skills.
- ▶ This will prepare them for the Deacon Scout Troop whose program includes monthly campouts.
- ▶ It is also a best practice to teach Scout skills during the weekly meetings and then pass the EYO Scout off on the requirements as he performs them on another event such as a campout, day camp, hike, or other Saturday EYO Scout activity.
- ▶ Advancement requirements for First Class requires that the Scout participate in 3 overnight campouts AND 10 activities.
- ▶ Activities are not EYO Scout meetings, Courts of Honor when held during Scout meeting time, or campouts. The 10 activities are day hikes, day camps, service projects, etc..



Primary Quarterly Activities

- ▶ EYO boys will also participate in quarterly Primary Activity Days but these will be in addition to the EYO Scout monthly activity or campout and should not replace the EYO Scout monthly activity or campout.





Merit Badges for EYO Scouts

- ▶ Merit Badges are not recommended for EYO Scouts.
- ▶ They have a full program learning Scout skills for Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class.
- ▶ If they are to become proficient in these Scout skills and First Class Scouts in fact and deed, they do not have time for merit badges.
- ▶ They will have two years in Deacon Scouts (and beyond) to earn Merit Badges. “All things at their proper time and place.”
- ▶ Possible exception: 1st Aid Merit Badge



EYO Scouts & Summer Camp

- ▶ Church policy is that EYO Scouts not attend Boy Scout Summer camp with the Deacon Scouts
- ▶ EYO Scouts have their own EYO Campout during the summer months that they attend instead



EYO Scout Meeting with Deacons' Scout Troop

- ▶ It is Church policy that EYO Scouts have their own meeting and not meet with the Deacons' Scout Troop except when approved by Primary and Priesthood leaders for special Scout skill instruction such as CPR or other very specialized training.
- ▶ However, if there is less than two EYO Scouts in a Ward EYO program, EYO Scout leaders should counsel with their Primary and Priesthood leaders about how to also abide by BSA youth protection and safety requirements that require a minimum of two youth and two adults for meetings. (Page 4, LDS Scouting Handbook; BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.)



EYO Scout Meeting with Deacons' Scout Troop

- ▶ EYO Scouts may and should camp as a patrol with the Deacons' Scout Troop at the BSA District Fall and Spring Camporee
- ▶ They will typically participate in First-Year Scout activities at the camporee.
- ▶ In Scouting **outside of the Church**, EYO Scouts are called First-Year Scouts but may include boys starting at age 10½



Program Example: September/October

Scout Skill Area	Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	Activity
Cooking	3 - Assist w/ one meal	2e - Fire vs. Stove	4a - Patrol Menu 3 meals	Day Camp - cooking 3 meals
		2f - Backpack Stove operation	4b - Menu shopping list	
		2g - Plan/cook one meal on fire	4c - Cooking gear	
		4d - Food and garbage handling		
		4e - Patrol Cook/clean up		

October				
Camping	1 - Dress/packed for camping	2a - 5 activities/2nd Camp Overnight	3 - 10 activities/3rd Camp Overnight	October District Camporee
	2 - Camp one night in tent	2b - Camp site & pitch tent		Practice Cooking



Program Example: November/December

Scout Skill Area	Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	Activity
Personal Fitness	10a - Push/Pull/Sit-ups,run,jump	4 - Service Project	NA	Scouting for Food Service Project
	10b - Improve in 10a	8 - Drug Prevention		Saturday Fitness Meet
December				
First Aid	12a - Heimlich Maneuver	6a - Hurry Cases	8b - Triangle Bandage	Saturday First Aid Drill
(Indoor)	12b - Basic First Aid	6b - Prepare First Aid Kit	8c - Transport person	
			8d - Heart attack, CPR	



Program Example: January/February

Scout Skill Area	Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	Activity
Swimming		7a - Safe Swim	9a - Safety Afloat	Swimming Pool Trip x 3
(Indoor)		7b - Swim 50 feet	9b - Swim 75 yds 3 strokes/float	
		7c - Water Rescue	9c - Clothes Float	
			9d - Resue Line	

February				
Citizenship	6 - Raise, lower, fold flag	3 - Flag Ceremony	5 - Constitution & Citizenship	Day Trip to Fort McHenry, MD
(Indoor)				or American History Museum
				and National Archives



Program Example: March/April

Scout Skill Area	Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	Activity
Knots and Rope	4a - Whip/fuse rope	na	7a - Lashing use	Day Camp -
(Indoor)	4b - Two half hitches & taut-line		7b - Tie Lashings	Lashing Project & Camp Gadget
			7c - Lash camp gadget	
			8a - Tie Bowline and use	

April				
Camping	1 - Dress/packed for camping	2a - 5 activities/2nd Camp Overnight	3 - 10 activities/3rd Camp Overnight	April District Camporee
	2 - Camp one night in tent	2b - Camp site & pitch tent		- practice Lashings and Knots



Program Example: May/June

Scout Skill Area	Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	Activity
Nature	11 - Poisonous Plants	5 - Ten wild animals	6 - Ten Native Plants	Day Nature Hike; visit Nature Center
June				
Camping	1 - Dress/packed for camping	2a - 5 activities/2nd Camp Overnight	3 - 10 activities/3rd Camp Overnight	June EYO Camporee
	2 - Camp one night in tent	2b - Camp site & pitch tent		Practice Camping Skills



Program Example: July/August

Scout Skill Area	Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	Activity
Hiking, Map & Compass	5 - Safe hiking	1a - Map and Compass	1 - Direction day and night	Day Hike - 5 mile w/map&compass
	9 - Buddy System	1b - 5-mile hike w/map&compas	2 - Orienteering/measure	Orienteering
August				
Knife, Axe, and Fire		2c - Knife, Axe, Saw	N/A	Day Camp -
		2d - Build cooking fire		Wood Tools & Fire Building



Program Example: Any Month

Scout Skill Area	Tenderfoot	Second Class	First Class	Activity
Scout Spirit	7 - Oath, Law, motto, slogan	na	11 - Invite a Friend to Scout Activity	
	8 - Patrol name, yell, flag			



Finale

- ▶ Your training comes from the world, your calling comes from God.
- ▶ Remember that you are a Priesthood Leader first and a Scoutmaster second
- ▶ Plan Christ into your activities. Invite Him and He will be there. Be conscious of planning activities with Christ as the center.
- ▶ Bring Christ into your Scoutmaster's minute. Use this time to express your love and your "scouting" dependency on Him.
- ▶ Don't forget your scriptures. Read scriptures together on campouts. Remember, the scriptures are full of "campers" and "outdoors" people.
- ▶ Insure that every activity has a Priesthood Purpose & Be able to identify that purpose.



Questions

- ▶ Thank you for attending today
- ▶ Thank you for your service
- ▶ I hope this was helpful to you
- ▶ I hope you find joy in your service