

SCOUTING UPDATE (September 2009)

New Scout Handbook with online component - <http://www.bsahandbook.org>

New Eagle Trail Requirements effective 1 Jan 2010 found in New Scout Handbook

Online Eagle Workbook:

<http://www.scouting.org> > Youth > Boy Scouts of America > Boy Scouts > Youth > Awards > Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project Book

Online Eagle Application (must use this form - 2009 printing – to submit applications):

<http://www.scouting.org> > Youth > Boy Scouts of America > Boy Scouts > Youth > Awards > Eagle Scout > NESA > Eagle Scout Rank Application
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also:

<http://www.scouting.org> > Youth > Boy Scouts of America > Boy Scouts > Advancement & Awards > Advancement Resources

New Scout Troop Youth Leadership Positions – Webmaster, Leave No Trace Trainer
(see new Scout Handbook)

New Venturing Crew Youth Leadership Positions – Quartermaster, Guide, Historian

New Boy Scout Uniform – red replaced by dusty green, new shirt design and material,
new pants material

Venturing Activity Shirt to be replaced with new color

Varsity Denali Award Knot approved

“This is Scouting” online training replaced New Leader Essentials (NLE) course taught in the classroom by Districts and Councils. If you have already taken NLE, you do not need to take “This is Scouting” online. NLE or “This is Scouting” is required for all adult leaders to be basic trained.

New BSA Annual Health and Medical Form required 1 January 2010; has weight limits for “Individuals desiring to participate in any high-adventure activity or event in which emergency evacuation would take longer than 30 minutes by ground transportation will not be permitted to do so if they exceed the height/weight limits as documented in the table at the bottom of this page or if during a physical exam their health care provider determines that body fat percentage is outside the range of 10 to 31 percent for a woman or 2 to 25 percent for a man. Enforcing this limit is strongly encouraged for all other events, but it is not mandatory.”

New Adult Registration Form – requires applicant to sign in two places

Online Forms of all kinds - <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/Media/forms.aspx>

or <http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org> > Quick Links > Forms and Documents

New BSA Website look: <http://www.scouting.org>

My Scouting – which contains the following. All adult leaders should create a “My Scouting” account.

Online Tour Permits

Online E-Learning

Online Advancement

Online Recharter

Online Guide to Safe Scouting (up to the minute)

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>

Winter Sports Helmets Required - effective August 19, 2009, a helmet is required for downhill skiing, snowboarding, and snowmobiling. See “Winter Sports” in the Guide to Safe Scouting.

Weather Hazard and Youth Protection Training for adult leaders is required to obtain a Tour Permit

Safety Courses are required to be taken every two years (except Trek Safely)

Passport to High Adventure Online (High Adventure bases nation wide):

<http://www.scouting.org> > Boy Scouts of America > Boy Scouts >
> Passport to High Adventure

Venturing Highlights (resources and much more): –

<http://www.scouting.org> > Youth > Boy Scouts of America > Venturing >
> Venturing Resources > Resources for the Crew > Venturing Highlights

New Crew Officer's Orientation – available in online training or on CD purchased at the Scout Shop

<http://www.scouting.org> > Youth > Venturing > Resources > Training >
> New Officer's Orientation

Sea Scouts now a separate program from Venturing but can use Venturing awards

New NCAC Website Look - <http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org>

Venturing under “Quick Links”

A lot of information under > About Us > Council Committees; Events, Training, Districts, Calendar, and Quick Links (includes Forms) – check them out.

New 100th Anniversary Patch Ring goes around purple World Brotherhood Patch

NCAC Centennial Events:

NCAC Centennial Camporee, Goshen, 29-31 May 2010

Centennial Scouting on the Mall, 17 July – 8 August, 2010

Grand Centennial Parade, Washington DC, Sunday, 25 July 2010

NCAC Get Fit Scouts, Fall 2009

BSA 100th Anniversary National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill, 26 July to 4 August 2010