

Cardinal District  
Roundtable Agenda  
4 January 2024

- |      |   |                  |
|------|---|------------------|
| I.   | Opening Ceremony                                | Robert Froom     |
| II.  | Welcome and Introduction                        |                  |
| III. | District Key 3 Updates                          |                  |
|      | a. District Chair's Corner                      | Tim Forrest      |
|      | b. District Commissioner's Corner               | Patrick Sperlein |
|      | c. Field Director's Corner                      | Tyler Perkinson  |
| IV.  | Program Update                                  | Chris Harmon     |
| V.   | Advancement Update                              | Tom Allen        |
| VI.  | Safety Moment – Bunk Beds                       | Patrick Sperlein |
| VII. | General Session – BSA Religious Emblems Program |                  |

**Calendar Events**

**National Events**

|                   |  |            |
|-------------------|--|------------|
| 29 Jul – 3 Aug 24 | National Order of the Arrow Conference | CU Boulder |
|-------------------|--|------------|

**Occoneechee Council Events**

|              |                            |                 |
|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| 12-15 Jan 24 | Winter Blast               | Camp Durant     |
| 3 Feb 24     | Eagle Banquet              | McKimmon Center |
| 12-14 Apr 24 | Cardinal District Camporee | Camp Durant     |
| 26-28 Apr 24 | Cuboree                    | Camp Durant     |

**Order of the Arrow**

|              |                         |                 |
|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 19-21 Jan 24 | Carolina Indian Seminar | Statesboro, NC  |
| 15-17 Mar 24 | Spring Pow-Wow          | Camp Durant     |
| 19-21 Apr 24 | E8 Conclave             | Camp Raven Knob |

**Training Opportunities**

**Wilderness First Aid**

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| 12-14 Jan 24              | Location TBD |
| 15-17 Mar 24              | Location TBD |
| 5-7 Apr 24                | Location TBD |
| 4 May 24 (Blended Course) | Location TBD |
| 5 Oct 24 (Blended Course) | Location TBD |

**First Aid/AED/CPR**

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of Each Month | Council Service Center |
|--|------------------------|

**Other Training Events**

|           |                               |                        |
|-----------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 17 Jan 24 | Short Term Camp Administrator | Council Service Center |
|-----------|-------------------------------|------------------------|

**Next Roundtable**

**1 February 2024**

**Apex United Methodist Church**

# CARDINAL DISTRICT ROUNDTABLE

January 4th, 2024



How long will it take  
to remember to write  
2024 instead of  
2023?



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# Roundtable Agenda

## General Session:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Key 3 Moments
- Program and Advancement Updates
- Safety Moment: Bunk Beds
- General Session: BSA Religious Emblems Program
- Breakout Sessions
  - Cub Scouts: AOL Crossovers
  - Scouts BSA: Risk Assessments
  - Commissioners: Charter Renewal Paperwork Turn-In



# District Chair Update



**Questions:**  
**Tim Forrest**  
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# District Chair Update

- Why do we have a District?
  - Facilitate events and support Units, which in turn support our Scouts!
- District Business Meeting
  - Thursday, 18 January 2024 at 6:30pm
  - Location: In-Person at Apex UMC and virtually via Zoom
  - Audience: All voting members of the District (District Members-at-Large and Chartered Organization Representatives)
- 2023 Eagle Banquet
  - 3 February 2024 from 6pm to 9pm
  - McKimmon Center at NC State University
  - Register on the Council website





# District Chair Updates

- Congratulations to the 2023 Silver Beaver Honorees:
  - Gary Bird
  - Ken Bland
  - Holmes Harden
  - Chris Jordan
  - Scott Schnegelberger
  - Carl Sommer
  - Justin Sprague
  - Courtney Trujillo
  
- Council Business Meeting – 25 January 2024 @ McKimmon Center, starts at 6pm



# Occonechee Scout Reservation - Camp Durant



Camp Durant-OSR

| Campsite      | Unit | Week 1 6/16-6/22/2024 |     |    |      |            | Week 2 6/23-6/29/2024 |     |    |                   |           | Week 3 6/30-7/6/2024 |     |      |            |            | Week 4 7/7-7/13/2024 |         |           |           |      |
|---------------|------|-----------------------|-----|----|------|------------|-----------------------|-----|----|-------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----|------|------------|------------|----------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|------|
|               |      | S                     | M   | F  | Dist | Unit       | S                     | M   | F  | Dist              | Unit      | S                    | M   | F    | Dist       | Unit       | S                    | M       | F         | Dist      |      |
| Poplar        | A    |                       |     |    |      | 740G       | 10                    | 1   | 2  | Sandhills         | 202       | 20                   | 3   |      | Cardinal   | O600       | 36                   | 3       |           | ONS       |      |
|               | B    |                       |     |    |      | 713-G      | 3                     |     | 2  | Sandhills         | 226       | 12                   | 3   |      | Cardinal   |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Hickory       | A    |                       |     |    |      | 7          | 20                    | 4   |    | Sandhills         | 236-G     | 6                    | 3   | 2    | North Star | O606       | 15                   | 4       | 1         | GTBA      |      |
|               | B    |                       |     |    |      | O316       | 15                    | 5   |    | IWC               | 236       | 7                    | 2   |      | North Star | O606-G     | 5                    | 1       | 1         | GTBA      |      |
| Sweetgum      | A    | 325                   | 16  |    | 2    | North Star | 39                    | 20  | 1  |                   | Eno River |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    | 325-G                 | 16  | 1  | 2    |            |                       |     |    |                   |           | 316                  | 10  | 3    |            |            | 45                   | 12      | 2         | Eno River |      |
| Red Oak       | A    |                       |     |    |      | 39         | 25                    | 2   |    | Eno River         |           |                      |     |      | 011-G      | 10         | 1                    | 1       | CCC       |           |      |
|               | B    | 212                   | 25  | 3  | 1    | Cardinal   | 39-G                  | 18  | 1  | 2                 | Eno River |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Loblolly      | A    | 1-G                   | 7   | 1  | 1    | Sandhills  | 82                    | 15  | 3  | 1                 | Sandhills |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    | 2001-G                | 15  | 1  | 2    | SW Florida | O407                  | 15  | 2  |                   | Tidewater |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Dogwood       | A    |                       |     |    |      |            |                       |     |    |                   |           |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    | 321-G                 | 4   | 1  | 1    | North Star | O490                  | 12  | 4  | 1                 | Tidewater |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           | 800  |
| Holly         | A    | 214                   | 15  | 2  | 1    | North Star | OOO2                  | 20  | 5  |                   | BR Mtn    | 500                  | 20  | 6    |            | North Star | 852                  | 12      | 3         | Sandhills |      |
|               | B    | 2001                  | 30  | 3  | 2    | SW Florida | OOO2-G                | 10  | 2  | 1                 | BR Mtn    |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Maple         | A    |                       |     |    |      | 364        | 8                     | 3   |    | North Star        | OO67      | 15                   | 2   |      | Tidewater  |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    | 216                   | 30  | 3  |      | Cardinal   | 713                   | 10  | 3  | 1                 | Sandhills | 5067-G               | 12  |      | 2          |            |                      |         |           | Tidewater |      |
| Ash           | A    |                       |     |    |      | 740        | 10                    | 3   |    | Sandhills         | OO89      | 14                   | 4   |      | ECC        |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    | 357                   | 24  | 4  |      | North Star | O737                  | 6   | 2  |                   | IWC       | O789-G               | 10  | 2    | 3          |            |                      |         |           | ECC       | O200 |
| Red Cedar     | A    | 845                   | 20  | 2  | 1    | Eno River  | 232-G                 | 8   |    | 2                 | Cardinal  |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    | O191                  | 10  | 3  |      | SW Florida | 232                   | 8   | 2  |                   | Cardinal  |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Beech         | A    | 438                   | 25  | 5  |      | Eno River  | OO30                  | 40  | 7  | 3                 | MECK      |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    |                       |     |    |      |            |                       |     |    |                   |           |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Persimmon     | A    | 2051-G                | 10  | 1  | 1    | Cardinal   | OO63                  | 20  | 3  |                   | MECK      |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
|               | B    |                       |     |    |      |            |                       |     |    |                   |           |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Magnolia      | A    |                       |     |    |      | O321       | 20                    | 8   |    | NFL               |           |                      |     | O237 | 10         | 2          |                      | Coastal |           |           |      |
|               | B    |                       |     |    |      | O869       | 15                    | 2   |    | Heart of Virginia |           |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Sassafras     | A    | O525                  | 8   | 3  |      | ONS        | O447                  | 10  | 2  |                   | CFC       |                      |     |      | 253        | 15         | 4                    |         | Cardinal  |           |      |
|               | B    |                       |     |    |      |            | 01447-G               | 5   |    | 2                 | CFC       |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Longleaf      | A    | 456-G                 | 4   |    | 2    | Eno River  | 99                    | 8   | 2  | 2                 | Cardinal  |                      |     |      | 405        | 6          | 4                    |         | Eno River |           |      |
|               | B    | 451                   | 15  | 4  |      | Eno River  | 99-G                  | 8   |    | 2                 | Cardinal  |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |
| Weekly Totals |      | 17                    | 274 | 37 | 16   |            | 25                    | 359 | 67 | 21                |           | 10                   | 126 | 28   | 7          |            | 11                   | 151     | 31        | 4         |      |
| 2024 Camp     |      | Total                 | Avg |    |      |            |                       |     |    |                   |           |                      |     |      |            |            |                      |         |           |           |      |

This summary last updated on 4/1/2024

4/1/2024



# District Commissioner Update



**Questions:**  
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# District Status

End of 2023 Unit Strength: 74 Units

- 28 Cub Scout Packs
- 38 Scout BSA Troops
- 7 Venturing Crews
- 1 Sea Scout Ship

End of 2023 Membership: 2,494

- Cub Scouts: 1,141
- Scouts BSA: 1,308
- Sea Scouts/Venturing: 45



# Charter Renewal Process

Progress (out of 74 Total Units)

- 60 Units In-Progress
  - 12 Initiated
  - 3 Waiting for Approval or Payment
  - 45 On Hold for Council Review
- 3 Units Posted
- 11 Renewals Not Started

Charter Turn-In Opportunities:

- Roundtable (that's tonight!)
- Monday, 8 January at Apex Panera Bread (1001 Beaver Creek Commons) from 6:30 to 8:30 pm



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# Field Director's Update



**Questions:**  
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# Field Director's Update



# Program

**Vice Chairman Program:  
Chris Harmon  
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# District and Council Events: Cub Scouts

2 Mar 24

District Pinewood Derby

Location: Morrisville Islamic Center

[Registration is forthcoming](#)

2 Mar 24

Cub Scout Open Program Day

Location: Camp Durant

[Registration on Council Website](#)

15-16 Mar 24

OA Webelos Weekend

Location: Camp Durant

[Registration is forthcoming](#)

26-28 Apr 24

Cuboree

Location: Camp Durant

[Registration opens 1 February 2024](#)



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# District and Council Events: Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, & Venturing

12-15 Jan 24

*Scouts BSA*

Winter Blast – SOLD OUT

Location: Camp Durant

[Registration is closed](#)

3 Feb 24

*Scouts BSA*

*Sea Scouts*  
*Venturing*

Council Eagle Banquet

Location: McKimmon Center

[Registration Link forthcoming](#)

12-14 Apr 24

*Scouts BSA*

*Sea Scouts*  
*Venturing*

Cardinal District Camporee

Location: Camp Durant

[Registration Link forthcoming](#)

6-13 Jul 24

*Sea Scouts*

NST 15 Commodore's Cruise

Location: TBA

[Registration Link forthcoming](#)





# District and Council Events: Assistance Needed

- District Pinewood Derby (2 Mar 24 in Morrisville)
  - Rules will be the same as 2022
  - Rules and Registration Information to be sent to units soon
  - We need a racetrack!
  - Some assistance will be needed with planning and race-day operations
  - Contact Chris Harmon for more information or to volunteer – [chrisnc00@gmail.com](mailto:chrisnc00@gmail.com) or 919-806-9155
- Cub Scout Shooting Sports Day (Date TBD)
  - Each District is responsible for one council-wide Cub event this summer
  - Cardinal needs a Cub leader that will serve as the lead for this event



# 2024 Cardinal District Camporee



**Please join us for a fun-filled weekend of camaraderie at this year's Camporee event open to all Cardinal District Scouts. The theme this year is *Adventure Archeology*. We are excited to immerse the Scouts in a 'Diggin' Good Time' with experiences in surveying, excavation, analysis, games, crafts and competitions related to Ancient Scouting History. Scout-appropriate Archeologist attire is encouraged!**

**When: April 12-14, 2024**

**Theme: Adventure Archeology**

**Cost: \$10 per Adventurer**

**Where: Durant Ranch (Camp Durant)**

**Camporee Chief: Amelia Beatty**

**Registrar: Donna Dragon**

**For more info, contact...**

**[Cardinal-District-Camporee-Group@ocscouts.org](mailto:Cardinal-District-Camporee-Group@ocscouts.org)**



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## ADVENTURE AWAITS 2024

SEPTEMBER 27TH - 29TH



### WHAT WILL YOU DISCOVER?

[Promotional Video](#)



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# International Scouting Events

[scouting.org/international/calendar](https://scouting.org/international/calendar)

**2023** Thu Dec 28th - Tue Jan 2nd  
2024

## Interamerican Leadership Training

The BSA Contingent to ILT has been selected, look out for opportunities to attend ILT in 2025 on our communication channels in late 2024.

Dominican Republic

calendar  
**2024** Fri Jul 12th 2024 - Fri 19th

## Icelandic National Jamboree

<https://skatamot.is/english/>

Úlfjótuvatn, 801 Selfoss, Iceland

**2025** Mon Jan 6th 2025 - Wed 15th

## 26th Australian Scout Jamboree

<https://aj2025.com.au/>

Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park, 23349 Bruce Hwy, Maryborough West QLD 4650, Australia

**2024** Tue Feb 20th 2024 - Mon 26th

## 10th Sri Lanka National Scout Jamboree

Trincomalee, Sri Lanka

**2024** Mon Jul 22nd 2024 - Fri Aug 2nd

## Roverway

<https://www.scout.org/event/roverway>

Rogaland, Norway

**2025** Fri Jul 25th 2025 - Sun Aug 3rd

## 16th World Scout Moot

<https://worldscoutmoot.pt/>

Buçaquinho Park, 3885 Cortegaça, Portugal

[BSA-Contingent](#)

**2024** Fri Apr 19th 2024 - Sun 21st

## Transatlantic Council: Normandy Camporee

<https://tac-bsa.org/normandycamporee>

Normandy, France

**2024** Sat Jul 27th 2024 - Sat Aug 3rd

## Essex International Jamboree

<https://eij.org.uk/> Large international camp 40 miles outside of London

Boyton Cross, Chelmsford CM1 4LE, UK

**2025** Sat Aug 2nd 2025 - Sat 9th

## Kent International Jamboree

<https://www.kij.org.uk/>

Kent, UK

**2024** Sat Jul 6th 2024 - Sat 13th

## Pacific Jamboree 2024

<https://www.pacificjamboree.ca/>

Sooke, BC

**2024** Sat Jul 27th 2024 - Mon Aug 5th

## Bavarian Jamboree

[https://www.landeslager.bayern/international-guests/?fbclid=IwAR1HSY\\_FyGRqmnZczbBTkRPE3x5f8N87n2QhJKgLCqUbK\\_jrGI9027dSt40](https://www.landeslager.bayern/international-guests/?fbclid=IwAR1HSY_FyGRqmnZczbBTkRPE3x5f8N87n2QhJKgLCqUbK_jrGI9027dSt40)

Königsdorf, 82549 Königsdorf, Germany



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# TRAINING



## Registered New Leaders?

- 1) Every Scout deserves a trained leader
- 2) BSA guidelines are that Scouters should be trained within 90 days of joining the unit
- 3) Does your Unit have a Plan and Schedule to complete TRAINING?
- 4) When was the last time your Unit conducted an assessment to determine training needs?
  - A) Youth Protection Training 2.0
  - B) Training for new and existing leaders



# District and Council Training Events:

17 Jan 24

Short Term Camp Administrator

Location: Council Service Center

[Registration Link on Council Calendar](#)

20 Jan 24

Fundamentals of Training

Location: Westminster Presbyterian Church

[Registration Link on Council Calendar](#)

9 Mar 24

Carolina Commissioner College

Location: NC Highway Patrol Training Academy

[Registration Link Forthcoming](#)

26-28 Apr 24

Paddlecraft Safety Training

Location: Lake Crabtree

[Registration Information on Council Calendar](#)

10-12 May 24

Whitewater Training

Location: Cape Fear or Haw Rivers

[Registration Information on Council Calendar](#)



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# Other Council Training Events

## First Aid / CPR / AED

This is a blended course; you must complete on-line portion prior to attending

Dates: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of Each Month

Location: Council Service Center

Registration Link through Tentaroo on Council website

## Wilderness First Aid

12-14 Jan 24 (Full Course)

Location TBD

15-17 Mar 24 (Full Course)

Location TBD

5-7 Apr 24 (Full Course)

Location TBD

4 May 24 (Blended Course)

Location TBD

5 Oct 24 (Blended Course)

Location TBD

\*Full courses intended for initial certification, Blended courses are intended for recertification



# Cub Scout Program Tips

**On-line resources available to help plan Cub Scout Pack meetings**

**Pre-planned Cub Scout Pack meetings can be found at:**


<https://www.scouting.org/programs/cub-scouts/pack-meeting-resources/pack-meeting-plans/>

**The files contain completely planned Cub Scout Pack meetings with plans, scripts, songs, games and required resources**






# Philmont Training Center




**Conference  
Schedule** 2024



Learn new skills from our world-class faculty and share experiences with guests from across the country at one of our exciting conferences.

Visit [PhilmontScoutRanch.org/PTC](https://PhilmontScoutRanch.org/PTC) to register today!



- Conferences are available from June to August with different topics each week
- Registration for 2024 PTC conferences is open
- More information available at [philmontscoutranch.org/ptc](https://philmontscoutranch.org/ptc)



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# Special Needs and Disabilities Committee

## Bi-Monthly Program Meeting

**Who:** All Adults with an interest in Special Needs Scouts

**When:** February 8, 2024  
7:00pm-8:00pm

**Where:** Zoom

<https://tinyurl.com/SpecialNeedsMeeting>

**Topic for February's Meeting:** Bridging the Communication Gaps in our Communities

A Voice For  
All Foundation



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# YMHFA: Youth Mental Health First Aid



Mental Health  
FIRST AID



SPECIAL  
NEEDS  
SCOUTING



OCCONEECHÉ COUNCIL  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



TRICOM  
Technology Solutions

Join the Poe Center and the Occoneechee Council Special Needs Committee  
at TRICOM Technology Solutions

5400 Etta Burke Ct | Raleigh, NC 27606

Saturday, February 3, 2024

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Youth Mental Health First Aid is designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. The course introduces common mental health challenges for youth, reviews typical adolescent development, and teaches a 5-step action plan for how to help young people in both crisis and non-crisis situations. Topics covered include anxiety, depression, substance use, disorders in which psychosis may occur, disruptive behavior disorders (including AD/HD), and eating disorders.

*\*Lunch will be provided*

RSVP required. We are limited to 30 participants. Sign up today to reserve your spot.

Sign up here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/777949226077?aff=oddtcreator>



Questions? Email Jessica Fowler at [j.fowler@poehealth.org](mailto:j.fowler@poehealth.org)

Learn more: [PoeHealth.org](http://PoeHealth.org)

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# Advancement & Recognition

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# Advancement & Recognition

## End of Year Statistics for 2023:

- **Cub Scouts**
  - Arrow of Light – 117
  - Other Ranks – 976
- **Scouts BSA**
  - Eagle Scout – 116
  - Other Ranks – 972
  - Merit Badges – 3675
- **Sea Scouts**
  - Other Ranks - 2
- **Venturing**
  - Summit – 1
  - Other Awards – 16





# Advancement & Recognition

- Scouts BSA Advancement Changes for 2024
  - <https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/SBSA-Advancement-Updates-2024-v1.pdf>
  - Updates to Scout and Star rank with the discontinuation of the Cyber Chip
  - List of Merit Badges with updated requirements for 2024



# Advancement & Recognition

- Annual District Adult Recognitions
  - Nominations are closed!
  - Awards will be presented at our February Roundtable, held on 1 February 2024



# Recognition Opportunities for Eagle Scout Courts of Honor



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# Safety Moment

## Bunk Beds



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# Safety Moment Summary:

On average, 36,000 injuries related to bunk beds occur in the United States each year, according to Nationwide Children's Hospital and the American Academy of Pediatrics. The head and neck are most prone to injuries due to falls from bunk beds. Our Scouting family is not immune to this risk.





# General Information:

What can be done to reduce the risk?

- Use guard rails on both sides of the top bunk. Gaps should be 3.5 inches or smaller to prevent strangulation. Guard rails should extend at least 5 inches above the top of the mattress on the top bunk.
- Verify that the foundation of the mattress is strong and that the mattress is the correct size. Are there any weight limitations?
- Teach children how to safely climb the ladder.
- Children under age 6—or anyone with a history of sleepwalking or a fear of heights—should sleep on the lowest bed.





# General Information:

- Roughhousing, bouncing, or playing on the top bunk or ladder is inappropriate.
- It is preferable to place the bunk beds in the corner of the room away from ceiling fans.
- Install a night light near the ladder.
- Ladders need to be securely fastened to the bunk beds.
- Objects such as belts, scarves, neckerchiefs, or ropes that could cause a hanging need to be stored away from the bed.
- Take the bunk out of service if the ladder or beds are broken, damaged, or missing.



# General Information

Many sports and outdoor retailers sell bunk-bed cots, with and without side organizers. However, these cots usually do not have safety rails and even though they aren't as tall as home or dormitory bunk beds, injuries from falls can still happen.

Here are some safety tips for bunk-bed cots.

- If possible, install rigid safety rails on the long sides of the top bunk, at least 5 inches above the support rail. Note: This is required if the bottom of the top bunk is more than 30 inches from the floor.
- Review the manufacturer's guidelines for weight limits on the top and bottom bunks.
- Teach all Scouts and adults how to safely get into and out of the top bunk. It is best to do this at the head or foot of the bunk. Never enter or exit the top bunk from the sides.
- Do not use the cot if the bunks are damaged.
- Do not enter or exit the bunk-bed cot at night without adequate lighting.
- Bunk beds and bunk-bed cots are especially useful in sleeping quarters where the amount of space is limited. However, make sure to follow the above safety practices to help prevent injuries.



# Additional Resources

- [Center for Injury Research and Policy](#)
- [American Academy of Pediatrics](#)
- [US Consumer Product Safety Commission - Requirements for Bunk Beds](#)



# General Session

# BSA Religious Emblems Program



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# BSA Religious Emblems Program

## What is the BSA Religious Emblems Program?

The religious emblems programs are programs created by the various religious groups to encourage youth to grow stronger in their faith. The religious groups—not the Boy Scouts of America—have created the religious emblems programs themselves.

The Boy Scouts of America has approved of these programs and allows the recognition to be worn on the official uniform, but each religious organization develops and administers its own program.



# BSA Religious Emblems Program

## How are Religious Emblems Earned?

For Youth: Each program has specific requirements that are to be completed. Some programs require mentors/counselors, and some allow for working within the Scout's family. The timeline for completion varies for each program.

For Adults: An outside party must nominate an adult to receive an award by submitting the required applications, letter of recommendation, and resume of activities. There is an approval process for adult nominations which varies by religious organization.





# BSA Religious Emblems Program

**What does a Scout or Scouter receive when completing a religious emblems program?**

- Cub Scout: Pin or a medal suspended from bar and Youth Religious Emblems knot (silver knot on purple background)
- Scouts BSA/Venturing/Sea Scouts: Medal suspended from a ribbon attached to a bar and Youth Religious Emblems knot (or Scouts BSA device if they already have the knot)
- Scouters: Medal suspended from a neck ribbon and Adult Religious Emblems knot (purple knot on silver background)



# BSA Religious Emblems Program

**How can my unit do to help Scouts get started with their Religious Emblems?**

- Find the program for the Scout's religion and age group (<https://www.scouting.org/awards/religious-awards/chart/>)
- Point the Scout to the resources needed (pamphlets, counselor manuals, etc) and have them follow the instructions for that program
- Encourage families to discuss the program with their religious leaders before beginning



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## Unit Religious Emblems Coordinator

- Unit Committee position responsible to acquaint youth with the religious emblems program for their faith
- Provides families and clergy with an orientation to the religious emblems program and encourages involvement
- Disseminates information about any local religious emblems programs, retreats, camps, or classes
- Coordinates establishment of goals and tracks the number of emblems earned each year.



# Breakout Sessions



**David Crowley: AOL Crossovers**



**Mike McConnell: Risk Assessment**



**Charter Renewal Paperwork Turn-In**



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# NEXT DISTRICT ROUNDTABLE

Our next Roundtable will be on  
February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 pm

This will be our annual District  
Adult Recognition Event



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