



September Roundtable



NARRAGANSETT COUNCIL

A Scout is Reverent





Scout Oath and Law



Announcements



Safety Moment



Food Allergies

- One in every 13 children has a food allergy
- Most common food allergies – milk, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts, soy, wheat, fish, shellfish, and sesame seeds
- Food intolerance versus food allergy
 - Intolerance – cannot digest a food component, such as lactose or gluten
 - Intolerance may cause abdominal cramping or diarrhea but is not life-threatening
 - Allergy – immune system overreacts to a food protein
 - Minor allergic reaction may cause hives or abdominal pain and can be treated with antihistamines (Benadryl)
 - Severe allergic reaction requires an emergency injection of epinephrine (EpiPen) and possibly trip to the emergency room

WHAT SHOULD YOUR UNIT DO?

- Review medical forms to be familiar with those allergies present amongst your Youth and Adults
- Review Scouting America's Food Allergy Guidance
- Assist in developing the food allergy action plan
- Understand family and youth responsibilities
- Determine if parent/guardian should attend events/campouts
- Share plan with adult leaders, youth's buddy, patrol / crew, youth leadership
- Understand the treatment plan and be prepared to act in the event of a severe reaction

REFERENCES

- [Food Allergy Research & Education, Living with Food Allergies](#)
- [Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Food Allergies and Intolerances](#)
- [Mayo Clinic, Food Allergy](#)
- [Scouting America Food Allergy Guidance](#)



Membership Moment

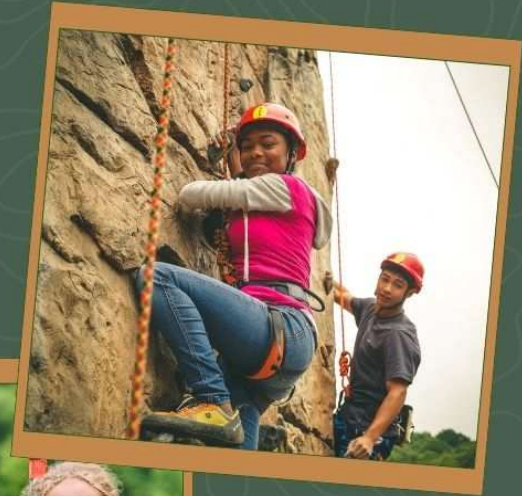
SAVE **BIG** on Scouting

New Scouts join
now through Sept 26
and get

**\$25
OFF**

with code
Scout2026

BeAScout.org



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FRIENDS & FAMILY

RECRUITMENT DAY – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

TAUNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
MIDDLEBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY
ATTLEBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY
CUMBERLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
WARWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY
SLATER MEMORIAL PARK, PAWTUCKET
WICKFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL, NORTH KINGSTOWN
RICHMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, RICHMOND
PASTORE YOUTH CENTER, CRANSTON
SWANSEA FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
JOSEPH H. PLUMB MEMORIAL LIBRARY, ROCHESTER
MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY
HIANLOLAND FIRE COMPANY, WEST GREENWICH

HAVE YOU UPDATED YOUR UNIT PIN?

What every unit should check

Contact Information Make sure the phone and/or email listed belongs to someone who will respond promptly.	Meeting Location & Details Confirm where and when the unit meets so families know exactly how to find the next meeting.
Website / Socials Keep links current so families can see upcoming events and get a feel for the unit.	Online Applications Review youth and adult application settings and make it easy for families to take the next step.

Take handout for “Setting up Your Units BeAScout Pin”



Roundtable Topic

Best Practices for AOL Transition

AOL REQUIRED ADVENTURES

- [BOBCAT – \(CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP\)](#) –Introduction to the Patrol Method, learn the Scouts BSA handshake and salute, and visit a Troop.
- [OUTDOOR ADVENTURER – \(OUTDOORS\)](#) – Introduction to the Scout Outdoor Essentials. Go camping, as a den or with a Scouts BSA Troop.
- [PERSONAL FITNESS](#) – Learn how to plan a meal and track physical fitness progress.
- [CITIZENSHIP](#)– Plan a service project using the SAFE checklist and start to track their service hours.
- [FIRST AID](#) – Basic first aid skills and personal safety awareness.
- [DUTY TO GOD \(FAMILY & REVERENCE\)](#) – Examine family faith traditions and describe how they incorporate the value of duty to god into their lives.

PACK RESPONSIBILITIES TO AOL

- Goal is to have each Scout continue their Scouting experience.
- Develop a working relationship with the leadership of Troops in the community.
- Ensure that Arrow of Light Scouts visit a Scouts BSA Troop as early as possible, this is a requirement for the required Bobcat Adventure.
- Work with troop leaders to secure den chiefs, with a focus on Arrow of Light dens.
- Work with troop leaders to get assistance with delivering Arrow of Light required and elective Adventures.
- Invite the Scoutmaster and troop youth leaders to special pack activities.
- Plan a meaningful crossover ceremony, including troop leadership to be present to accept the Arrow of Light Scouts.

TROOP RESPONSIBILITIES TO AOL

- Be familiar with the requirements for the six Arrow of Light required Adventures.
- Schedule and prepare for AOL Scouts to visit the Troop meeting at the start of the school year. Conduct an orientation for parents during this visit, providing a copy of the troop's activities for the upcoming year, including information on Summer Camp and fundraising opportunities.
- Select Scouts to serve as den chiefs for an Arrow of Light den and arrange for den chief training.
- Serve as a resource for overnight activities, providing equipment, leadership, and logistics for AOL den or pack campouts.
- During campouts, show Arrow of Light Scouts and their parents what to expect when they move into the troop. Cook and camp by patrol and use skills that the Arrow of Light Scouts can participate in.
- Work with the Cubmaster and Arrow of Light den leader in planning a meaningful crossover ceremony.

SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION TO TROOP

- Get new Scouts actively involved with the troop through troop activities.
- Have a Spring campout, working on totin' chip and firem'n chit.
- Work on rank advancement with new Scouts.
- Conduct summer camp orientation to encourage troop involvement and ensure that all new Scouts attend summer camp.
- Recruit parents of new Scouts to become assistant Scoutmasters or troop committee members.

ARROW OF LIGHT-TO-SCOUT PLAN (CALENDAR RESOURCE)

- [Scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org)
 - [Programs](#) >
 - [Scouts BSA](#) >
 - [Scouts BSA Program Resource Links](#) >
 - [Recruitment & Marketing](#) >
 - Arrow of Light-to-Scouts Transition



THANK YOU!