



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA 2021 SCOUTER CODE OF CONDUCT

Statement of Understanding:

All Staff Members, both youth and adult, are selected based on their qualifications in character, camping skills, physical & personal fitness, and leadership qualities. By signing the letter of appointment, all adult staff members as well as youth staff members and their parents/guardians agree to the conditions of the Statement of Understanding and Code of Conduct as a condition of participation, with the further understanding that serious misconduct or infraction of rules and regulations may result in termination and expulsion from camp. Each staff member is responsible for his or her own behavior.

As a condition of my camp staff registration with the Boy Scouts of America and while employed as a camp staff member, I agree to comply with this Boy Scouts of America Scouter Code of Conduct:

1. I have or will complete my camp staff registration with the Boy Scouts of America, answering all questions truthfully and honestly.
2. I will do my best to live up to the Scout Oath and Scout Law, obey all laws, and hold others in Scouting accountable to those standards. I will exercise sound judgment and demonstrate good leadership and use the Scouting program for its intended purpose consistent with the mission of the Boy Scouts of America.
3. I will make the protection of youth a personal priority. I will complete and remain current with youth protection training requirements. I will be familiar with and follow:
 - a. BSA youth protection policies and guidelines, including mandatory reporting:
<http://www.scouting.org/YouthProtection.aspx>
 - b. *The Guide to Safe Scouting*: <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsourc/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>
 - c. The Sweet Sixteen of BSA Safety:
<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsourc/HealthandSafety/Resources/sweet16.aspx>
4. When transporting Scouts, I will obey all laws, comply with youth protection guidelines, and follow safe driving practices.
5. I will respect and abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America, BSA policies, and BSA-provided training, including but not limited to, those relating to:
 - a. Unauthorized fundraising activities
 - b. Advocacy on social and political issues, including prohibited use of the BSA uniform and brand
 - c. Bullying, hazing, harassment, and unlawful discrimination of any kind
6. I will not discuss or engage in any form of sexual conduct while engaged in Scouting activities. I will refer Scouts with questions regarding these topics to talk to their parents or spiritual advisor.
7. I confirm that I have fully disclosed and will disclose in the future any of the following:
 - a. Any criminal suspicion, charges or convictions of a crime or offense involving abuse, violence, sexual misconduct, or any misconduct involving minors or juveniles
 - b. Any investigation or court order involving domestic violence, child abuse, or similar matter
 - c. Any criminal charges or convictions for offenses involving controlled substances, driving while intoxicated, firearms or dangerous weapons.
8. I will not possess, distribute, transport, consume, or use any of the following items prohibited by law or in violation of any Scouting rules, regulations and policies:
 - a. Alcoholic beverages or controlled substances, including marijuana.
 - b. Concealed or unconcealed firearms, fireworks, or explosives.
 - c. Pornography or materials containing words or images inconsistent with Scouting values.
9. If I am taking prescription medications with the potential of impairing my functioning or judgment, I will not engage in activities which would put Scouts at risk, including driving or operating equipment.
10. I will take steps to prevent or report a violation of this Code of Conduct by other camp staff or persons on camp property.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____ CAMP: _____