

St. James Boy Scout Troop 24

Webelos to Boy Scout Flyup Ceremony

SM: Senior Patrol Leader, please bring the following candidates forward:

Scoutmaster reads the list of eligible candidates.

Senior Patrol Leader arranges the candidates in front of the table, facing the audience.

SM: You have presented yourselves before the leadership of Boy Scout Troop 24 and have asked to be made scouts. Is this your wish now?

Candidates respond.

SM: In this ceremony you will be received into Troop 24 and into the world brotherhood of scouting.

SM: The law of this troop is the Scout Law. It is known and followed by millions of scouts. You will learn and follow this law also. The Senior Patrol Leader will now recite for you the points of the Scout Law. Listen to them closely, for I will soon ask you to accept this law as your own.

OPTIONAL: Have a scout light a candle for each point of the Scout Law.

SPL: A Scout is Trustworthy.

Voice: A Scout tells the truth. He keeps his promises. Honesty is part of his code of conduct. People can depend on him.

SPL: A Scout is Loyal.

Voice: A Scout is true to his family, scout leaders, friends, school, and nation.

SPL: A Scout is Helpful.

Voice: A Scout is concerned about other people. He does things willingly for others without pay or reward.

SPL: A Scout is Friendly.

Voice: A Scout is a friend to all. He is a brother to other scouts. He seeks to understand others. He respects those with ideas and customs other than his own.

SPL: A Scout is Courteous.

Voice: A Scout is polite to everyone, regardless of age or position. He knows good manners make it easier for people to get along together.

SPL: A Scout is Kind.

Voice: A Scout understands that there is strength in being gentle. He treats others as he wants to be treated. He does not hurt or kill harmless things without reason.

SPL: A Scout is Obedient.

Voice: A Scout follows the rules of his family, school, and troop. He obeys the laws of his community and country. If he thinks these rules are unfair, he tries to have them changed in an orderly manner rather than disobey them.

SPL: A Scout is Cheerful.

Voice: A Scout looks for the bright side of things. He cheerfully does tasks that come his way. He tries to make others happy.

SPL: A Scout is Thrifty.

Voice: A Scout works to pay his own way and help others. He saves for unforeseen needs. He protects and conserves natural resources. He carefully uses time and property.

SPL: A Scout is Brave.

Voice: A Scout can face danger even if he is afraid. He has the courage to stand for what he thinks is right even if others laugh at or threaten him.

SPL: A Scout is Clean.

Voice: A Scout keeps his body and mind fit and clean. He goes around with those who believe in living by these same ideals. He helps keep his home and community clean..

SPL: A Scout is Reverent.

Voice: A Scout is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties. He respects the beliefs of others.

SM: You have heard the 12 points of the Scout Law. Do you accept this law as a scout and promise to do your best to live by this law?

Candidates respond.

SM: Scouts also live by another code. It is the Scout Oath. The Scout Oath describes 3 duties

that every scout must accept: his duty to God and country, his duty to other people, and his duty to himself. I now ask you to make this promise publicly for the first time. Please repeat after me:

On my honor I will do my best (pause at the end of each line)
To do my duty to God and my country
And to obey the Scout Law
To help other people at all times
And to keep myself physically strong,
Mentally awake,
And morally straight

SM: You have spoken the words of the Scout Oath. Do you accept the 3 duties it describes and do you pledge yourself to learn and follow this oath?

Candidates respond.

SM: I now direct your attention to the flag of our country. As scouts, we have special feelings about the flag. We learn what it means. We learn to take care of it. We love and honor the nation it represents. I ask you now to face the flag and pledge your allegiance to it. Please remember to use the Scout Salute.

Candidates respond.

SM: Today you will embark upon an exciting journey. A journey from Webelos to Boy Scouts. The obstacle you see before you represents only 1 of many that you will encounter throughout your scouting career. Let this crossing be a testimonial to your intention to confront and overcome the barriers which lay before you. Look ever forward as you cross, for each step you take along this bridge represents your courage to deal with the unknown future. Are you prepared to accept this challenge?

Candidates respond.

SM: Senior Patrol Leader, please escort these candidates to the bridge. Candidates, when you reach the other end of the bridge, you will have passed from Webelos into Boy Scouts. We will acknowledge your achievement by presenting you with your Boy Scout Handbook, which contains the wealth of knowledge available to you as a Boy Scout.