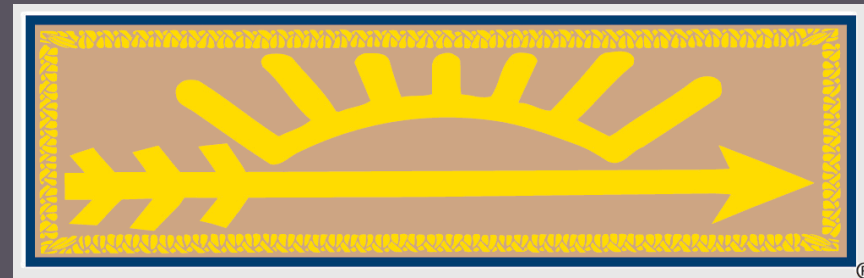


AOL TO SCOUT BY FEBRUARY



Agenda

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**WHY DO WE NEED
TO COMPLETE AOL
BY FEBRUARY?**





Studies show that scouts who participate in camping with their troop stay in scouts longer.

Moving from Cubs to Troops provides the scouts with an opportunity to acclimate and become part of the troop before joining them at summer camp.

Just because a Cub has crossed to the troop, they can still participate in end of the year activities with their pack.

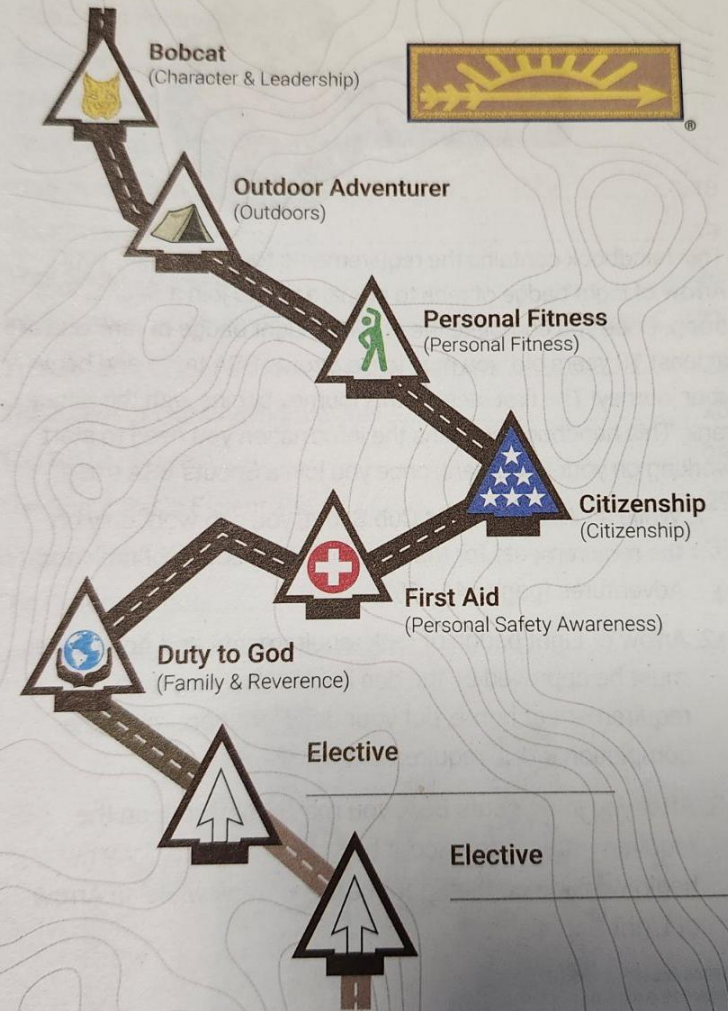
**HOW CAN WE
COMPLETE THE
PROGRAM IN THIS
TIMEFRAME?**



THE TRAIL TO ARROW OF LIGHT

WELCOME, ARROW OF LIGHT SCOUT!

Follow the Trail to earn your Arrow of Light
badge of rank.



Fill in the arrowhead when you complete an Adventure.

August

- Reach out to your local troop leader to coordinate
 - unit/troop visit (Bobcat #7)
 - ongoing collaborative meetings
 - campout with cooking (Outdoor Adventurer #5/6/7)
 - Plan to attend Fishawack Cubelos or local district fall camping
- *Don't know who your troop leader is?
- ask your cubmaster/committee chair
 - ask your unit commissioner
 - ask District Commissioner
- *Remember, you can look at multiple troops





September

- As a Den/Patrol:
 - Set up Patrols and review scout basics (Bobcat #1-6)
- At Home:
 - How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse:A Parent's Guide (Bobcat #8)
 - Review/Prepare your Medical Forms (Personal Fitness #4)

*you will need these for camping!

September/October



- Complete your troop visit (Bobcat #7) and begin meeting with the troop regularly
- Troop can conduct parent meetings in parallel to the Den/Patrol meetings
- Prepare for campout (Outdoor Adventurer #1-4)
- Complete your campout with the troop including packing a backpack for the trip, food safety and follow-up (Outdoor Adventurer #5/6/7/8)
- Complete the planning and executing of a balanced meal on your campout (Personal Fitness #1)

October



- As a Den/Patrol:
 - Review how to be physically fit and how to incorporate that into daily life (Personal Fitness #2)
 - Be active for 30 minutes with stretching and moving (Personal Fitness #3)
- At Home:
 - Track your activity of 30 minutes or more over a 14-day period (Personal Fitness #2)

November

- Identify a community service project and a plan for safe execution (Citizenship #1)
- Participate in a service project(s) of at least 2 hours (Citizenship #2)





December

- Complete the First Aid Adventure
 - Watch *Protect Yourself Rules* video (#1)
 - How to handle initial encounter (#2)
 - Hurry cases (bleeding, heart attack, etc. (#3)
 - Handling choking (#4)
 - Handling shock (#5)
 - Treating minor cuts, scratches, burns, bites, etc. (#6)
 - Make a personal first aid kit (#7)

Tip: Ask an EMT or other trained responder to work this with your den/patrol

January

- As a Den/Patrol:
 - Meet with a faith-based organization who assists others regardless of faith (Duty to God #2)
- At Home:
 - Discuss your family faith tradition and how your family demonstrates the values (Duty to God #1)
 - Discuss what “Duty to God” means to you and how to practice it in daily life (Duty to God #3)

Tips: This can be done as a den/patrol or in partners for those who may not have a faith tradition but be sure to discuss this with the parents before taking this path.



February (or throughout the year as able)

- Complete two electives from the following list:

- Champions for Nature
- Into the Woods
- Cycling
- Knife Safety
- Engineer
- Paddle Craft
- Estimations
- Race Time (Pinewood Derby)
- Fishing
- Summertime Fun
- High Tech Outdoors
- Swimming
- Into the Wild

Tips: Don't forget to consider the weather and plan outdoor electives for the fall before it gets cold.

Electives are a great opportunity to get other adults (parents, community members, troop members) to participate and share their passions and talents.

Activities completed the summer prior to the AOL year can count towards the electives



AOL to Scout by February

<u>Month</u>	<u>Leaders</u>	<u>Den/Patrol</u>	<u>At Home</u>	<u>Requirements</u>
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reach out to local troop to coordinate unit/troop visit and campout with cooking 			Bobcat #7 Outdoor Adventure #5/6/7
September		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set up Patrols and Review Scout Basics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to Protect your Children from Child Abuse Review /prepare medical forms 	Bobcat #1-6 & 8 Personal Fitness #4
September/ October		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Troop Visit Prepare for campout Complete campout Complete outdoor cooking 		Bobcat #7* Outdoor Adventure #1-8* Personal Fitness #1
October		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Physical Fitness 30 minutes activity with stretching and moving 	Track physical activity for 14 days (30 minutes or more)	Personal Fitness #2/3*

November		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify a community service project of at least 2 hours and execute on it 		Citizenship #1/2*
December		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Aid Adventure 		First Aid #1-7*
January		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with a faith-based organization 	Discuss family faith traditions and what "Duty to God" means.	Duty to God #1-3*
February		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete two electives 		Champions for Nature Cycling Engineer Estimations Fishing High Tech Outdoors Into the Wild Into the Woods Knife Safety Paddle Craft Race Time Summertime Fun Swimming

Final tips & takeaways for AOLs

- This is a guide not a rulebook.
- Be sure to include the scouts in the selection of electives and as much as possible – in Scouts BSA, they will have much more autonomy
- Plan to allow for delays such as weather, school activities, etc.
- Solicit help from others in the scouting community or local community – you do not have to do it alone!
- Always remember to DO YOUR BEST!
- Have fun!

Getting Started with Scouts BSA

- Get summer camp on the calendar early!
- AOL crossovers should begin attending Troop meetings immediately upon crossing over.
- Within the first few meetings, provide adults/parents with an overview of Troop specifics (advancement, camping, troop calendar, etc.)
- Jump right into working on the Scout rank.
- Work to get Totin' Chip for new scouts so they can use a knife at summer camp.
- Conduct a summer camp orientation for scouts/adults to encourage involvement and increase engagement
- Get new scouts to summer camp (overnight preferred, but day camp as an alternative)

THANK YOU

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