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What Adventure Awaits for  
you in Scouting?

Did you know?



## The Scouting Program is Divided into 5

### Programs



#### **Cub Scouting**

Youth Grade Levels K–5<sup>th</sup>



#### **Scouts BSA**

Youth Ages 11–17



#### **Venturing**

Coed Ages 14–20



#### **Sea Scouts**

Coed Ages 14–20



#### **Exploring**

Coed Ages 10–20

## **Scout Law**

The Scout Law has 12 points. Each is a goal for every Scout. A Scout tries to live up to the Law every day. It is not always easy to do, but a Scout always tries.

### **A Scout is:**

**TRUSTWORTHY.** Tell the truth and keep promises. People can depend on you.

**LOYAL.** Show that you care about your family, friends, Scout leaders, school, and country.

**HELPFUL.** Volunteer to help others without expecting a reward.

**FRIENDLY.** Be a friend to everyone, even people who are very different from you.

**COURTEOUS.** Be polite to everyone and always use good manners.

**KIND.** Treat others as you want to be treated. Never harm or kill any living thing without good reason.

**OBEDIENT.** Follow the rules of your family, school, and pack. Obey the laws of your community and country.

**CHEERFUL.** Look for the bright side of life. Cheerfully do tasks that come your way. Try to help others be happy.

**THRIFTY.** Work to pay your own way. Try not to be wasteful. Use time, food, supplies, and natural resources wisely.

**BRAVE.** Face difficult situations even when you feel afraid. Do what you think is right despite what others might be doing or saying.

**CLEAN.** Keep your body and mind fit. Help keep your home and community clean.

**REVERENT.** Be reverent toward God. Be faithful in your religious duties. Respect the beliefs of others.

# Supernova Awards for Scouts BSA

If you thrive on challenge, then earning the Supernova award will be right up your alley. To be eligible, you must be a First Class Scout or higher. As a prerequisite, you must first earn any three of the four Nova awards for Scouts BSA. With your parent's and unit leader's help, you must select a council-approved mentor who is a registered Scouter. You may NOT choose your parent or your unit leader (unless the mentor is working with more than one youth).

## Dr. Bernard Harris Supernova Award Thomas Edison Supernova Awards

### Supernova Award Path



## What is the Cub Scouts Program?

Cub Scouts is for boys and girls, kindergarten to 5th grade. It is a program where youth develop the foundations for leadership, citizenship, and personal fitness through fun activities involving parents and legal guardians. Cub Scouting designates participants into groups based on grade and gender before participating in activities.

## What is the Scouts BSA Program?

The traditional Scouting program, Scouts BSA is where youth develop outdoor survival skills, self-confidence, and ethics through youth planned activities with increased attention to service, community engagement, and leadership.

## What is the Venturing Program?

Created for boys and girls ages 14-20, Venturing is a youth-led program where Scouts experience positive mentorship and develop leadership skills in a fun, supportive environment.

## What is the Sea Scouts Program?

Sea Scouting is a maritime program for boys and girls ages 14-20 providing a fun, safe environment for Scouts to learn, build friendships, and develop character while earning advancement.

## What is the Exploring Program?

The Exploring program connects boys and girls ages 10-20 with mentors, businesses, and agencies within their communities to help them discover future career paths.

**Cub Scouts and Boys Scouts can also  
earn Special Awards that explore  
STEM topics in greater depth.**

## **STEM Nova Awards**

*The STEM Nova and Supernova Awards are available  
for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturers, and Sea  
Scouts.*

*These awards are administered by the local council.  
The requirements for the awards along with other  
program support are on this website.*

*Scouts are able to earn the awards based on the  
requirements on the website and all current standards  
for the awards remain the same except for the Dr.  
Albert Einstein Award for older youth, which will now  
be approved by the local council.*

***All activity and programming used in conjunction  
with the STEM Nova Awards program must be  
followed and implemented as designed by the BSA.  
Local Councils may not add or subtract activities or  
requirements from this BSA-designed program.***

## **STEM—Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics**

STEM is part of an initiative the Boy Scouts of America has taken on to encourage the natural curiosity of youth members and their sense of wonder about these fields through existing programs. From archery to welding, Scouts can't help but enjoy the wide range of STEM-related activities. To support this initiative, the BSA developed the STEM Nova Awards program so that youth members have fun and receive recognition for their efforts.

### **Why STEM?**

We live in a time of great opportunity. The spirit of innovation can help us overcome challenges and ensure a prosperous and secure future. To seize this opportunity, we must position ourselves at the cutting edge of scientific discovery and technological innovation.

### **What Are the STEM Nova Awards?**

The Boy Scouts of America developed the STEM Nova Awards program to excite and expand a sense of wonder in our Scouts. By working with an adult counselor or mentor, the various modules allow them to explore the basic principles of STEM and discover how fun and fascinating STEM can be. The Supernova awards are offered for those who enjoy a super challenge. Discover how the STEM Nova Awards program helps youth be "Prepared. For Life."