

# ***New Parent Assessment***

## ***Welcome to Troop 787!***

***We, as the adult leaders, are looking forward to having you and your son make this the experience of a lifetime. The scouting program is one that will build character, independence and leadership for your son. We are asking that you take a few minutes and answer this assessment so that we can work to fulfill the experience in a way that will lead to success for your son and to our program.***

**Scout/Parent Skills - For the following questions circle the best answer:**

**1) Which of the following items do you think describes your son's attitude of the great outdoors?**

- a. I have never slept overnight on a campout
- b. I have slept out on a campout but I was scared and needed support
- c. I have hiked and slept outdoors overnight and loved the experience
- d. I have hiked and/or slept outdoors overnight but things were difficult and/or uncomfortable
- e. I have attended Cub Scout camp where I spent (5) days away from home

**2) Was either of you as parents active in your son's Cub Scout program?  
Yes or No**

**3) Have you participated in any fund raising activities with your son? Yes  
or No**

**4) Which is important to you for your sons experience in scouting? (Select  
all that apply)**

- a. I want my son to learn leadership and someday be a leader in the troop
- b. To work through the program and gain rank
- c. I want my son to have a better understanding of the outdoors
- d. I want my son to learn practical outdoor skills, 1<sup>st</sup> aid skills and life-saving skills
- e. I want my son to be involved in service to the local community as well as to the scouting community
- f. I want my son to gain confidence in himself and have positive role-models
- g. I don't honestly know what to expect

**5) Did you participate in a Scouting program: Cubs, Boy Scouts, and  
Ventures when you were a boy? Yes or No**

**6) Our troop bylaws state that a scout should participate in at least 50% of  
the meetings and 50% of the outings. Activities such as Scout-O-Rama and  
Camporees are mandatory events. Do you feel you can accommodate this  
requirement for participation? Yes or No**

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7) On every outing or event that your son participates with Troop 787, a proper code of conduct is required. Will you sit down and review the Proper Code of Conduct rules with your son prior to a Troop 787 activity?  
Yes or No

### **Adult Training**

*Our experience has shown that for boys to be successful in the Boy Scout program the parent(s) must be an active participant. Through the years it has been shown that the great majority of scouts that have stuck with the program and obtained their Eagle rank were heavily supported by their parents who were also active in the Boy Scout program.*

*The success of every Scouting program depends on having well-trained leaders. They not only bring a quality program to their units, but they have more fun doing it. Everything we do in Scouting has a purpose. Training is the key to recognizing, understanding and achieving the purpose behind each activity. Adult leaders are the life blood of the programs that run the troop. Parents that want to participate in the troop need to be trained.*

*All adults that wish to participate must be trained immediately upon joining the troop. Please, initial that you understand the following trainings are required to be completed within the first 90 days of joining:*

*Register as an adult leader \_\_\_\_\_*

*Complete Youth Protection Training \_\_\_\_\_*

*Complete New Leader Essentials \_\_\_\_\_*

*Thank You for taking an active role in your son's future in scouting. We, just as you, are looking forward to making the new transition into Boy Scouts an easy and fun time.*

*New Scout Name \_\_\_\_\_*

*New Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_*

*New Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_*

*New Parent Telephone \_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_*

*New Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_*

*Troop 787 Parent Advisor \_\_\_\_\_*