



Troop 423 Code of Conduct Agreement

Troop 423 is a boy-led program that reinforces the principles of Scouting. It is a positive environment where all youth and adults are expected to behave in accordance with the Scout Law and the Scout Oath.

I agree that I am solely responsible for my behavior. As a youth or adult involved with Troop 423:

1. I will follow the 12 points of the Scout Law and Scout Oath in my speech and actions.
2. I will keep myself and others safe from physical and emotional harm.
 - I will use appropriate language.
 - I will be kind (not engage in any form of threatening behavior, hazing, bullying or fighting).
 - I will respect the property of others and not take, steal or damage property that does not belong to me.
 - I will not be in possession of or use alcohol, illegal drugs, weapons, offensive material or fireworks.
 - I will use fire appropriately.
3. I will bring to the attention of an Adult leader or Senior Patrol Leader any situation that I am not comfortable with and not take matters into my own hands.
4. I understand that electronic devices should only be used for appropriate scouting activities with permission (taking appropriate pictures, researching topics for merit badges, etc.). Playing digital games, listening to music, and other entertainment are not appropriate during scouting activities. Participating and interacting with people should be prioritized. Digital communication with adult leaders should copy a parent or another leader (Scoutmaster or Committee Chairperson). Devices will be confiscated on outings if used inappropriately.
5. I understand that I may have in my possession a 4" (or smaller) folding lock blade knife and or a multi-tool (sheath knives, by ScoutMaster approval only). I only use axes or hatchets in designated areas for preparing firewood.

Youth Protection: On-line Youth Protection Training is available (my.scouting.org) and periodic training may be held by the Troop. All Adults participating in ANY Troop 423 Activity are **REQUIRED** to have current Youth Protection Training. That includes but is not limited to outings, camping, volunteer activities, merit badge counseling, etc.

Discipline: Failure to follow the Code of Conduct may result in the one or more of the following consequences depending upon the severity of the violation:

- Verbal or written warning and/or removal from activity.
- Communication to parents/guardian and/or request parent/guardian to pick up youth immediately.
- Meeting between Scout, parents and Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster to discuss the problem(s) which have occurred and to develop a plan to resolve the situation.
- A significant offense will lead to a board of review and the possibility of dismissal from the troop or expulsion from scouting. Severe offenses may lead to troop dismissal even if it is the first offense.

I have read the Code of Conduct policy. I understand that if I do not follow the Code of Conduct Agreement outlined above, appropriate consequences will occur. Adult volunteers are required to report certain offenses to the Council District Executive or law enforcement (reports of child abuse or questions can be directed to 1-844-SCOUTS1 and 855-503-SAFE).

Scout Agreement to Code of Conduct:

Parent/Guardian/Adult Agreement to Code of Conduct:

Signed: _____

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The Scoutmaster, Committee Chairperson and the Troop Committee will review this policy periodically to ensure that it remains appropriate.