

Scouting from Home: Videos & Activities for Your Scout

While Scouting is certainly more fun in a group, there are some things your Scout can be working on at home to help him keep active, advancing, and having fun. Thumbing through the handbook is a great way to explore Scout life while practicing new skills and learning new things. There are plenty of things they can do in their own back yards or during a walk around the neighborhood, too.

But we know these kids love tech!

There are a variety of good online* resources Scouts can explore on their own, practice until they feel they've got it, then share what they've learned with their Patrol Leader through a chat, video, or some other method.

Click the links below to find YouTube videos for Scouts BSA rank requirements.

Scout Rank
Tenderfoot
Second Class
First Class

Some videos may be a little outdated (even the numbering may have changed a little). However a requirement reads in the most current handbook is what Scouts will need to know, explain, teach someone, or demonstrate.



Remember, Scouts can work on requirements for these four ranks all at the same time!

Parents: Please take special note of Second Class requirements 8c & d. They will need your input on these, and this may be the perfect time to look at them together.

Keeping Physically Active

One of Scouting's aims is personal fitness. Since organized sports and recess aren't happening, rank requirements can help your Scout stay active and work on advancement at the same time!

Personal Fitness: Click the **Fitness** button below to download a worksheet your Scout can use to complete fitness requirements for Tenderfoot, 2nd Class, and 1st Class over the next 90 days. (He'll need a partner to help him complete the first part of the Tenderfoot fitness requirement.)

Take a Walk: Click the **Plants & Animals** button below to download a worksheet your Scout can use to record 10 sightings of wild animals or animal evidence (2nd Class req. 4) and 10 different plants and trees native to our area (1st Class req. 5a). This can happen in your back yard, neighborhood, or nearby park or hiking trail.

Fitness

Plants & Animals

As always, encourage your Scout to ask his Patrol Leader any questions he may have! And stay tuned, as the Patrol Leaders' Council will be asking for Scout input and developing a plan for the weeks ahead.

Thank you for sharing this email with your Scout. Happy Scouting!

In case you are new to Troop 959 or missed a topic of last month's Advancement blog, here are links to all four installments:

- Using Scoutbook to Support Your Scout
- Philosophy of Advancement: Why & How to Invite Your Scout to Join Scoutbook
- Supporting Advancement at Home: Scoutbook Dos (and just a couple of Please Don'ts)
- Using Logs to Record Activities

Thanks for reading! Until we meet again...

Take Brief Survey Help Mrs. Kaser! Please take just 3 minutes to complete a brief survey?

It will help us know how to better communicate with you and answer any remaining questions you may have. You'll also help Mrs. Kaser complete a leadership goal to strengthen the troop for all families (part of her Wood Badge training). Thank you for doing your good turn!

Should you have any questions about the Advancement method or if you are able to take on a role—big or small—to help sustain the troop, please email us at info@troop959.com.

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