

Troop 555 believes that the valuable experiences offered through involvement in Scouting should be available to all boys who express a desire to participate, regardless of race, religious background, socioeconomic status, physical or mental ability, or sexual orientation. We adhere to the following standard for youth members of the Boy Scouts of America approved and adopted Jan. 1, 2014:

Youth membership in the Boy Scouts of America is open to all youth who meet the specific membership requirements to join the Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Sea Scout, and Venturing programs. Membership in any program of the Boy Scouts of America requires the youth member to (a) subscribe to and abide by the values expressed in the Scout Oath and Scout Law, (b) subscribe to and abide by the precepts of the Declaration of Religious Principle (duty to God), and (c) demonstrate behavior that exemplifies the highest level of good conduct and respect for others and is consistent at all times with the values expressed in the Scout Oath and Scout Law. No youth may be denied membership in the Boy Scouts of America on the basis of sexual orientation or preference alone.

(Further background and clarification on this standard is available by clicking [HERE](#))