

Harford County Public Schools



EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP

BETWEEN

BALTIMORE AREA COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

AND

HARFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

VISION STATEMENT

A quality education is at the forefront of child development and gauging an individual's ability to succeed in our ever-changing world. Through building capacity for educational opportunities in Harford County, the Baltimore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America (BSA) and Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) aim to provide opportunities for young people to be involved in the positive programming available through Scouting.

MISSION STATEMENT

To create opportunities for increased student success through community involvement. Harford County Public Schools and the Baltimore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America have a shared mission to help prepare young people to be ethical and moral citizens and to grow capacity to be tomorrow's leaders.

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The Baltimore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America will:

- Offer the Boy Scout program which is professionally developed for school age students and their families to provide a proven, values-driven opportunity to develop leadership and numerous skills that will be valuable throughout their lifetimes.
 - o The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to help young people to make ethical and moral choices throughout their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath & Law.

Scout Law

A Scout is:

- o Trustworthy
- o Loyal
- o Helpful
- o Friendly
- o Courteous
- Kind
- o Obedient
- o Cheerful
- o Thrifty
- o Brave
- o Clean
- o Reverent
- Provide program opportunities that are age-appropriate and geared towards young people in 1st through 12th grade with a wide variety of leadership opportunities.
- Offer financial assistance for families with need (base to be determined by BAC).
- <u>STEM Program</u> Offer programs that are exciting and innovative, including Science, Technology, Engineering and Math programs.
- <u>Learning for Life Program</u> Offer seven components designed to support schools and community-based organizations in their efforts to prepare youth to successfully handle the complexities of contemporary society and to enhance their self-confidence, motivation and self-esteem.
- Good Turn for America Community Service Program (a student service program by the BSA) Address the issues of hunger, homelessness, and poor health in our nation. This program encourages student community service.
- Utilize the 3 Aims and 8 Methods of Scouting to produce key growth results:

Aims of Scouting

- Growth in moral strength and character
- Participating Citizenship
- Development in Physical, Mental and Emotional Fitness

Methods of Scouting

- Advancement
 - Self-reliance, ability to help others, challenging
- Ideals
 - o Oath, Law, Motto (Be Prepared), Slogan (Do a Good Turn Daily)
- Patrols
 - o Peer groups, elected representation, activities
- Outdoors
 - Majority of program conducted in the outdoors
- Adult Association
 - Working with positive role models
- Personal Growth
 - o Good Turns, Community Service
- Leadership Development
 - o Leadership skills and practice, citizenship
- Uniform
 - o Commitment to ideals, identity
- Offer facility usage and/or meeting options to Harford County Public Schools including use at Broad Creek Memorial Scout Reservation or other Baltimore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America property.
- Follow all applicable Board of Education of Harford County policies and procedures.
- Submit scouting flyers for distribution through the Harford District Director only.

Harford County Public Schools will:

- Assist in coordinating the partnership between Harford County Public Schools and the Baltimore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.
- Communicate with Principals to ensure an understanding of the partnership between the Baltimore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America and Harford County
 Public Schools.
- When requested, provide an information table at "Back to School" nights and
 open house days (whereby materials can be distributed) and other times as agreed
 to by the parties.
- Collaborate with Boy Scouts about the ideas and/or new programs to promote joint goals.
- Meet and confer as needed to discuss opportunities to improve the relationship between the BSA and HCPS.
- Provide space for Boy Scouts of America meetings in Harford County Public School facilities in accordance with HCPS Use of Public School Facilities procedure.
- Support Boy Scouts of America in engagement strategies to recruit adult role models to support establishment of troops and/or program efforts.

Extend opportunities to Boy Scouts of America that will engage boys in Service Learning in Harford County.

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