

Questions To Ask When Visiting Troops

Webelos should ask:

1. Is the Troop active? Do they do things I would enjoy?
2. What size is the Troop? What size of Troop would I like?
3. Are there other boys/girls my age in the Troop?
4. Does the Troop go to a summer camp? Which one(s)? Is it important to me where they go?
5. Should I / could I go to summer camp?
6. Does the Troop participate in any Honor Camper programs (i.e. Order of the Arrow)? Do they matter?
7. How often does this Troop do outdoor activities (i.e. camping)?
8. Will I have a say in decision making?
9. Does the Troop have advanced programs for older Scouts?
10. How often does the Troop meet?
11. Do I have a good chance of advancing to Eagle with this Troop?
12. Will I have fun?

Parents should ask [Troops should tell parents if they don't ask]:

1. What values/skills will my son/daughter learn?
2. What are the other adult leaders like?
3. Can I participate in leadership if I desire?
4. Is this a Scout run Troop? Is that important?
5. Where, when, and how often does the Troop meet? Is it convenient for transporting my son/daughter?
6. What is the age ratio of the Scouts? Do the older Scouts help the younger Scouts?
7. How much will it cost? Camping? Summer camp? Fundraisers?
8. How often does the Troop camp? Do I have to camp with them?
9. Does the Troop go to a summer camp? Which one(s)? Is it important to me where they go?
10. Does the Troop participate in the Order of the Arrow?
11. Is the Troop active? Do they do activities my son/daughter would enjoy?
12. Will my son/daughter be encouraged/able to advance to Eagle in this Troop?
13. Can moms/dads participate? Go camping? Go to summer camp?
14. Can this Troop provide a quality Scouting experience for my son/daughter and his/her friends?
15. What is expected of the parents and family by the Troop?
16. Will we have fun?