

September 2026



The Culture of our District

We are one team with one purpose: delivering the very best Scouting experience for every youth we serve by living out the Scout Oath and Law.

Taking Ownership- Putting our Scouts first- Creating a Positive Impact- Mutual Respect- Effective and Clear Communication- a Commitment to Continuous Improvement

Upcoming Dates:

- Cooks Museum Scout Day Recruitment Oct 10th
- Fishing Derby Sept 12th 9a-12p at Joe Wheeler State Park
- Popcorn Final Order- Sept 6th with the order pick up in Sept 17th
- Wood Badge Course 12-126 9/25- 27th at Camp Comer and 10/17-19th at Camp Sequoyah
- ScoutFest 2026: Nov 13-15th (Registration open!)
- Popcorn Payments due Dec 1st
- NYLT Winter Course: Registration open now for 1/16-18th and 2/13-15th at Camp Comer. (Registration open!)

Housekeeping Tasks:

- Beascout pin update
- Complete Safeguarding Youth training- we still have 35 expired in our District.
- Update your position specific training- check your roles and complete courses. We have 47% of our positions showing incomplete

Membership Updates:

- 21 new Scouts added in August
- 2 new units- a family troop in Decatur and a boys only troop in Athens is in the final steps
- I am building connections to start a unit in Lawrence County- I would welcome any help to help progress this

Our goal is to add 120 Scouts by May 2027, but to do that we need to:

- Create a strong first impression so new Scouts and families feel welcomed from day one.
- Increase community presence so families know Scouting still exists in our communities.
- Build a plan together for recruitment.
- Develop a Bring-a-Friend Culture
- Connect with school administrators to visit to do Scout talks and send home information.

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