

Script for Opening Flag Ceremony

Leader: "Color Guard, Attention!"

Leader: "Audience, Please Rise!"

Leader: "Scout Salute! Those not in uniform, please place your right hand over your heart."

Leader: "Color Guard, Forward March!"
(Wait for color guard to reach the front)

Leader: "Color Guard, Halt!"

Leader: "Color Guard, Cross the Colors!"

(US Flag crosses in front of others to left-most flag stand, then troop flag. Wait for flag bearers to move to the flag pole stands)

Leader: "Color Guard, Post the Flag of Troop 616

(US Flag remains held by bearer)

Leader: "Please recite the Pledge of Allegiance!"

Leader: "TWO!"
(Everyone drops salute)

Leader: "Scout Sign!"
(Everyone raises right hand making the Scout sign)

Leader: "Please join us in reciting the Scout Oath.

Leader: "TWO!"
(Everyone drops Scout sign)

Leader: "Color Guard, Post the Flag of the United States of America!"

Leader: "Color Guard, Honor your Colors!"
(Flag bearers salute the US flag)

Leader: "Color Guard, return to ranks!"
(Wait for flag bearers return to formation)

Leader: "Audience, Please be seated!"

Script for Closing Flag Ceremony

(Leader assembles color guard in back of room or offstage so they are ready. You may only have flag bearers, 2 or 3 scouts following, 2 in front and 2 behind, or any crisp formation depending on number of scouts in color guard.)

Leader: "Color Guard, Attention!"

Leader: "Audience, Please Rise!"

Leader: "Color Guard, Forward March!"

(Wait for color guard to reach the front)

Leader: "Color Guard, Halt "

Leader: "Scout Salute! Please put your right hand over your heart if you are not in uniform."

Leader: "Color Guard, Retrieve the Colors!"

(Wait for flag bearers to pick up their flags)

Leader: "Color Guard, Return to Ranks! "

(Wait for flag bearers to return to formation)

(US Flag is on the far right facing the audience, then troop flag on far left.)

Leader: "Color Guard, About Face!"

Leader: "Color Guard, Forward March!"

(Wait until color guard reaches back of room)

Leader: "Color Guard, Halt! "

Leader: "TWO!"

(Everyone drops salute.)

Leader: "Audience, Thank you for joining us."

Leader: "Color Guard, Dismissed!"

(Flag bearers should immediately put the flags away before starting to play with the other guys.)