

# Scouting Arizona as a Community Partner for Schools

### Our Shared Mission: Building Future Leaders

Scouting Arizona and local schools share a common goal—to develop young people into engaged, responsible, and capable citizens. Scouting complements the work of educators by providing hands-on learning experiences that instill leadership, teamwork, resilience, and a commitment to service. By partnering with schools, we can enhance the educational journey of students, helping them develop essential life skills that go beyond the classroom.

#### How Scouting Aligns with School Values and Outcomes

Scouting Arizona's programs support schools in achieving their objectives by reinforcing key developmental pillars:

- Character Education: Scouting promotes honesty, integrity, and respect, reinforcing the values emphasized in school character-building initiatives.
- Academic Success & STEM: Our programs include STEM-based learning, problem-solving activities, and outdoor education, complementing school curricula and engaging students in experiential learning.
- Leadership & Citizenship: Scouting fosters leadership by teaching decision-making, public speaking, and responsibility, preparing students for future success in both school and life.
- Service & Community Engagement: Scouts engage in meaningful service projects, positively impacting schools and local neighborhoods while fostering a culture of giving back.
- Physical & Mental Well-being: With an emphasis on outdoor activities, teamwork, and personal resilience, Scouting contributes to students' overall physical and emotional well-being.



#### Why Schools Benefit from a Partnership with Scouting Arizona

By working together, schools and Scouting Arizona can create more opportunities for students to thrive. Our partnership benefits schools by:

- **Providing Structured, Values-Based Enrichment:** Scouting activities support social-emotional learning and reinforce positive behavior expectations.
- Offering Leadership and Service Opportunities: Scouts are engaged in service projects that directly benefit schools, such as campus beautification, food drives, and tutoring initiatives.
- Enhancing Parent & Community Involvement: Scouting fosters deeper parental engagement, strengthening school-family relationships.
- Expanding Extracurricular Options: Schools can offer Scouting as an after-school program or extracurricular activity that enhances student engagement beyond the classroom.

### > How We Can Partner

Scouting Arizona is eager to collaborate with schools in a variety of ways:

- Adopt-a-School Program: Scouts commit to ongoing service projects that directly benefit the school.
- On-Campus Scouting Units: Establishing Cub Scout Packs and Scout Troops within schools provides structured, value–driven extracurricular engagement.
- Joint Events & Programs: Schools and Scouting Arizona can work together on STEM nights, career days, and leadership workshops.
- Service-Learning Projects: Schools can integrate Scouting service projects into their community engagement initiatives.

## Next Steps

We invite schools to explore how a partnership with Scouting Arizona can enhance student success and community engagement. Let's work together to build stronger youth, stronger schools, and a stronger community.



For more information on how your school can partner with Scouting Arizona, please contact: Matthew Hill, Matthew.Hill@scoutingaz.org, 602-955-7747 ext 202.

