



LIÊN ĐOÀN STM-LA VANG Troop 2778

Scout Program

1. MEETINGS

- 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 10am until 11:30am (subject to change)
- At least one parent needs to be present at meeting or designate a guardian in case of an emergency

Scouts Responsibility	Parents Responsibility
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Show up at the meeting regularly, on time, and with complete uniform 2. Bring all studying materials: binder, notebook, pen/pencil, etc. 3. Bring a backpack with 10 Scout essentials 4. Study the materials before the meeting. 5. Inform Trưởng (Tr.) when coming late or leaving early to meeting or other activities. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check emails regularly for all announcements from Tr. 2. Be present with your children at all meetings or events in accordance with the BSA rules and regulations. 3. Work on rank requirements at home, as necessary 4. Bring the child/children to the meeting regularly and on time. 5. Encourage the child/children to participate and earn the badges/loop belts, etc. 6. Notify the leaders of any absences or leave. 7. Help with the safety of all scouts 8. Be engaged and participate in meetings in events 9. Volunteer as your bandwidth allows

2. SCOUT RANKS

Scouting America Scout Ranks



Scout - Tenderfoot - 2nd Class - 1st Class - Star - Life - Eagle

Hướng Đạo Việt Nam (HĐVN)

Rank	Thiếu Sinh (11-15 years)	Kha Sinh (boys) Thanh Sinh (girls) (15-18 years)	Tráng Sinh (18-25 years)
Motto	“Sắp sẵn”	“Khai phá”	“Giúp ích”
Khăn color	Green	Burgundy	Red

3. SCOUT UNIFORMS

Class A – follow Scouting America uniform requirements

Class B – STM-LV t-shirt (orange)

* Neckerchiefs and ranking badges will be awarded by the Scoutmaster after the scout completed each advancement

4. SCOUT GREETING

Scout Sign



The Scout sign shows that you are a Scout. Give it each time you recite the Scout Oath and Law. When a Scout raises the Scout sign, all Scouts should make the sign, too, and come to

silent attention. To give the Scout sign, cover the nail of the little finger of your right hand with your right thumb, then raise your right arm bent in a 90-degree angle, and hold the three middle fingers of your hand upward. Those fingers stand for the three parts of the Scout Oath. Your thumb and little finger touch to represent the bond that unites Scouts throughout the world. For the Vietnamese scout, the right thumb over the little finger is to remind us to protect the weak.

Scout Salute



The Scout salute shows respect. Use it to salute the flag of the United States of America. You may also salute a Scout leader or another scout. Give the Scout salute by forming the Scout sign with your right hand and then bringing that hand upward until your forefinger touches the brim of your hat or the arch of your right eyebrow. The palm of your hand should not show.

Scout Handshake



The Scout handshake is made with the hand nearest the heart and is offered as a token of friendship. Extend your left hand to another Scout and firmly grasp his left hand. The fingers do not interlock.

5. 3-BUDDY SYSTEM

Always use buddy system, never leave the group without adult's permission. Never go anywhere alone, always go with an assigned "buddy".

Scouts and siblings of STM-LV must follow the buddy system anywhere outside their campsite, unit, and group or activities area. Always stay in group of 3 to enhance safety. With 3, you can provide support to each other. In case of emergencies, such as one person being injured, one can provide first-aid and the other can go for help. A group of 3 can also fend off wild animals or strangers much more effectively. The more heads the better. Tell other adults in the campsite when you are leaving the group, where to and for how long. 3-buddy system can also be used for advancement programs. It is more fun to have partners to learn and advance together. You all can encourage each other.

6. SCOUT 10 ESSENTIALS

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'Be prepared'! Just like every Scout every camper should be equipped with these ten essentials on any camping trip:

Contingency & First Aid Kit 1

"Contingencies" (someone forgot a flashlight, wet weather makes fire building difficult, etc.) are more common than emergencies. A first-aid kit supplemented with a spare flashlight, spare whistle, trail food, matches, and fire starters is your 'air bag' – essential but you hope, (like the air bag in your car), you'll never need it.



First Aid Kit Bag
+
Spare Whistle
+
Spare Flashlight
+
Trail Food
+
Matches and Fire Starters

Flashlight 2

A sturdy headlamp is better than a hand-held flashlight. LED lights (one with a brightness of 35 lumens is more than adequate) use less power and batteries last longer.



Trail Food 3

Carry a few granola bars, protein bars, trail mix, or other compact, high-energy, high nutrition food (avoid sugar-based snacks). Carry a couple of additional nutrition bars in the Contingency & First Aid Kit.



Matches & Fire Starters 4

There are any number of fire starter alternatives; many can be made at home.

If you need to get a fire going in difficult circumstances, you want a proved fire starter and matches in a waterproof container.



Sun Protection 5

In direct sun in hot weather sunburn and some level of heat exhaustion are common. Staying hydrated, using sunscreen and wearing a broad-brimmed hat are important.



Whistle 6

If you become lost or separated stay put and use a whistle. Signal by blowing three blasts (a well-known emergency signal).

Spend a little more on one designed to signal over distances; cheap insurance should you need it.



Rain Gear 7

Staying warm is crucial, and it's hard to stay warm if you are wet.

Rain pants and a rain jacket are essential, Ponchos restrict movement and don't trap warmth near your body.



Water 8

An adequately sized (32 ounces), wide-mouthed rugged water bottle. In dry or hot climates carry two. Include some simple way to purify water, tablets or other chemical treatments don't take up much space.



Map & Compass 9

A simple base-plate compass is best.

Buy a reliable brand rather than a cheap knock-off, it's worth spending a bit more for an accurate compass.



Pocket Knife 10

A sturdy, well-made simple combination knife is ideal for camping.



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