



# Troop 120

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## Boy Scouts of America

Golden Gate Area Council  
Mission Peak District

Millard Elementary - Fremont, California  
SIP Meetings via Zoom  
Wednesdays @ 7:00pm



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## A Few Facts about Troop 120

Troop 120 is about 45-49 Scouts, typically including about 8-10 first-year Scouts. Our Scouts span the age range from 10½ to 18 with ranks from Scout to Eagle. We have 4 active Eagle Scouts, and 2 Life Scouts actively working on their Eagle projects. Our scouts come from Cub Scout packs in and around Fremont, Union City and Newark as well as some boys who have never been Cub Scouts.

Troop 120 is an offshoot from Troop 199. T120 began operations in October 2017 when as T199 we totaled almost 100 Scouts and our Scouts and parents decided that the troop would better serve our Scouts if we were a smaller, more manageable size. The Chartering organization is Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish.

T120 meets weekly year-round. Average attendance at any single meeting is 35+ Scouts plus parents and leaders.

Service projects are an important part of the culture of Troop 120.

Camping is planned 11 months of the year.

Troop 120 is all about having fun while enabling the Scouts to develop to their full potential through adventures and opportunities.



## First Year Program

New scouts focus on building their basic Scouting skills and bonding with each other in a structured program. Our goal

is to enable them to achieve First Class within 18 months, if they are active.

Our program aligns with BSA's objectives of developing character, citizenship and personal fitness.



## Scouting in Quarantine

2020 has certainly tested our abilities enjoying scouting in the traditional ways but T120 will continue actively scouting! T120 continues to meet weekly, although our format currently is via Zoom. T120 Scouts are learning skills and advancing ranks at a healthy pace. Merit Badges are also being offered via Zoom. For the moment, we are having virtual camping trips and service projects where we involve our families in order to maintain social distancing standards. As our environment and BSA standards allow, we will incorporate traditional scouting back into our program.

## Troop Leadership

An important part of Scouting is providing an opportunity for young people to learn to lead. To provide that opportunity T120 is "Scout led", meaning that the Scouts plan and run the meetings and the outings.

## Parent Community



The parents of Troop 120 Scouts are expected to be involved in the troop operations to support the Scouts. Scouts rely

on parents and adults to enable a great Scouting experience. Past Eagle Scouts without exception have had the support and participation of at least one of their parents in our troop.

At least one parent from each family is required to register. The only fee for the parent is the BSA registration fee.

## Membership and fees

The Troop balances activities with advancement to create a fun and well-rounded program for Scouts. The activities are mostly funded pay-as-you-go and we only occasionally do fundraising.

A one-time Joining fee covers the cost of troop-specific cap, neckerchief, slide, loops, troop number and troop t-shirt.

Annual dues include the annual registration fees from BSA and the Golden Gate Area Council. In addition, Annual dues cover Troop supplies, rank and merit badges, recognition awards and troop wide expenses.



## Troop Activities

Troop 120 Scouts plan, prepare and implement the troop activities with some guidance from leaders and parents. Activities traditionally include:

- 10-11 campouts a year: rain, snow or shine
- 1-2 high adventure trips
- Summer Camp
- 5-7 service projects
- Day outings



We do our best to keep the dates fixed once the calendar has been set but occasionally some activities will get changed due to weather, the availability of the facilities, etc. Other activities may be added depending on interest of Scouts and support of parents and leaders.

Our calendar is annually planned by the Patrol Leader Council and accepted by the Parent Troop Committee. We

MONTH	CAMPING OUTINGS	DAY OUTINGS	SPECIAL EVENTS & TRAININGS	GOOD TURNS	SPECIAL TROOP MEETINGS
Sept. 2019	Coastal Clean-Up & Camping Trip		AdvanceCamp 2019	Coastal Clean-Up	Court of Honor
Oct. 2019	1- Scout Day Overnighter & Canoe Races 2- Shooting Shorts Camping @ Camp Royaneh		Troop Showcase at Round Table		
Nov. 2019	Pinnacles Campout		1- OLG Container Clean-Up 2- New Leadership Team Training	1- Scouting for the Community Day 1 2- Scouting for the Community Day 2 3- Abode Service Holiday Set-Up	1- SPL Nominations 2- SPL Elections
Dec. 2019		Indoor Rock Climbing	Merit Badge Extravaganza	1- Abode Service Holiday Help 2- Family Giving Tree	White Elephant
Jan. 2020	Yosemite Snow Campout	Indoor Rally		Yosemite Service Project	Court of Honor
Feb. 2020	Academy of Science Overnighter*		Merit Badge Extravaganza		Rock n' Jump
Mar. 2020	Moaning Caverns & Camping			Make A Difference Day	
Apr. 2020	1- Boulder Creek Scouts 101 Camping 2- Biking & Camping Trip			Earth Day Clean-Up	1- Court of Honor & New Scouts 2- Bowling
May 2020	1- Angel Island Biking & Camping 2- Plamo Beach Camping			Memorial Day Flags	1- SPL Nominations 2- SPL Elections
June 2020	1- National Youth Leadership Training Camp 2- Camp Hi-Sierra Summer Camp		1- New Leadership Team Training 2- Alameda County Fair Fundraiser		
July 2020	Whitewater Rafting & Camping	1- 4th of July Mission Peak AM Hike & 2- 4th of July Mission Peak PM Hike 3- Ragging Waters Outing 4- Canoeing Practice	Annual Planning Meeting	Math Science Nucleus	
Aug. 2020	1- Yosemite Backpacking 2- Philmont 2020 ** 3- Sunset Beach & Kayaking	Rootbeer Floats Fundraiser		FUSD School Clean-Up	
Sept. 2020	Scout Day Overnighter & Canoe Races			Coastal Clean-Up (Lake Elizabeth) Nicholas' Eagle Project	1- Court of Honor 2- Patrol Outing
Oct. 2020	Russian Gulch Camping				
Nov. 2020	Big Basin Hiking Campout		New Leadership Team Training	1- Scouting for Food Day 1 2- Scouting for Food Day 2	1- SPL Nominations 2- SPL Elections
Dec. 2020	Pinnacles Hiking Campout			1- Surtec or Family Giving Tree 2- Abode Homeless Shelter	White Elephant (12/16)

\*not camping \*\* Minimum First Class & age 14

As planned pre-COVID