



CUB SCOUTS

- Bouldering no higher than the climber's shoulder height, with trained adult spotters. (This pertains to climbing on boulders or other steep faces without going more than a few feet off the ground, protected by spotters rather than a rope belay.)
- Climbing in a climbing gym or using a portable wall or other age-appropriate facility with close supervision and age-appropriate instruction and equipment
- **Climbers will be lowered by a belayer; no rappelling by Cub Scouts**
- **No belaying by Cubs Scouts**

WEBELOS SCOUTS

- Bouldering no higher than the climber's shoulder height, with trained adult spotters
- Climbing in a climbing gym or using a portable wall or other age-appropriate facility with close supervision and age-appropriate instruction and equipment
- **Rappelling with a trained adult belayer**
- **No belaying by Webelos Scouts**

BOY SCOUTS ages 11-12

- Bouldering no higher than the climber's shoulder height, with trained adult spotters
- Top-rope climbing with trained belayers
- **Rappelling with trained belayers**
- **Belaying with supervision and a backup**

OLDER BOYS, VARSITY SCOUTS, AND VENTURERS

- Bouldering no higher than the climber's shoulder height, with trained adult spotters
- Top-rope climbing with trained belayers
- Belaying with supervision
- Rappelling with trained belayers
- All council and district climbing must be top-roped
- Practice lead climbing with top-rope belay
- Units with youth who are at least 13 years of age may elect to participate in lead climbing and/or snow and ice climbing from training from a nationally-recognized organization that trains climbing instructors. BSA climbing directors and instructors are not trained in lead climbing or snow and ice climbing.