

BSA Family Award

A family may earn the *BSA Family Award*. The experiences family members share as they complete the requirements for the family award will enrich family living and strengthen family relationships. The family will complete, within a 12-month period, five requirements to earn the award. Two of the requirements are mandatory and three may be the family's choice.

Families who are registered in Cub Scouting for several years may earn the award more than once. Each time the award is earned, the family will receive a *BSA Family Award Certificate*.

The certificate will indicate the 12-month period in which the family completed the requirements. The Scout will receive the BSA Family patch.



To earn the BSA Family Award, a family will complete 10 activities within a 12-month period. The family chooses one activity in two topics in each of the following five categories.

1. Learning Through Fun and Adventure
 - Enjoying Family Fun
 - Knowing It's Make-Believe
 - Cultivating Talents
 - Being Patriotic
2. Strengthening Family Relationships
 - Making Mealtimes Meaningful
 - Strengthening Family Traditions
 - Understanding Siblings
 - Showing Love
 - Communicating
 - Sharing
3. Developing Character
 - Learning Duty to God
 - Fostering Self-Esteem
 - Accepting Success
 - Trusting
 - Giving
4. Teaching Responsibility
 - Developing Responsibility
 - Being prepared
 - Planning and Organizing
 - Managing Money
5. Handling Difficult Situations
 - Overcoming Obstacles
 - Adjusting to a Move
 - Coping With Long-term Illness
 - Loss of Loved Ones



The *BSA Family Activity Book* is the primary resource for the program. It is filled with suggested activities to enhance the children's personal development and enrich and strengthen the family.

These activities could include going on field trips; telling stories; doing arts and crafts projects; playing games; participating in family discussions; or making lists, charts and scrapbooks.

Included with most topics are recommended books for adults and children to read together.