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2020 FAMILY FRIENDS OF SCOUTING & 2019 FALL ANNUAL POPCORN SALE

The primary financial support to operate our seven-county council comes from self-generated sources (over 93%) such as the **annual Friends of Scouting (FOS)** campaign, special events/activities, **annual popcorn sale**, and other revenue generating sources. These funds provide critical program support services for our units, 2,775 adult volunteers, year-round operation of the Price- Sanders Scout Reservation—Camp Miles, Camp Flying Eagle, your council service center and many other vital support services that enables Scouting to operate in our community. Yes, it costs parents to be in Scouting, but above and beyond this expense, it costs the SWFL Council around \$285 per Scout, which adds up to a lot when you think of the thousands of youth in Scouting across the Southwest Florida region. Supporting the Annual Family FOS and Popcorn Sale effort enables the mission of Scouting to be delivered through quality programs and facilities to all Scouting families.

2020 FREE CLOTH ADVANCEMENT RECOGNITION

QUALIFICATIONS

1. **Achieve the unit goal using the “Best Methods” plan by April 30, 2020.**
(Goal based on approval by District Family Chairman & District Executive; District Family FOS Committee will communicate with unit committee chairman; *District Executive will verify if “Best Methods” plan is used*)
2. Conduct a unit presentation **using the “Best Methods” plan** that insures as many parents and leaders as possible are in attendance and is **verified** as a “Best Methods” presentation **on audit form by the chairman and DE**. This should ideally be at a Blue & Gold Banquet, Court of Honor or other special gathering where all parents are in attendance.
3. **Schedule** your presentation **by December 31, 2019**.
4. **Complete** your presentation and **achieve your unit goal by April 30, 2020**.
(*Recognition period begins when goal is achieved & runs from May 1- May 1- Popcorn 2019-FOS 2020- Any unpaid FOS pledge from previous year will not count towards achievement of 2020 unit goal*)

2020 “HONOR” UNIT

FREE UNIT COUNCIL CAMPING RECOGNITION

QUALIFICATIONS

1. A unit that participates in **both** the 2019 **Annual Popcorn Sale** and conducts a 2020 **Family Friends of Scouting** program **using the “Best Methods” plan for each**. (*District Executive & Chairmen verify if “Best Methods” plan is used*) **“Best Methods” for FOS is as stated above and for popcorn it is determined by your unit having an organized sale kick-off effort and either having 50% of your active youth selling or have an increase in sales over the previous year.**
2. **Recognition:** Unit is not charged an individual per Scout/parent/leader camp usage **camping fee of \$5 (Non-Honor Unit) per person per day for individual unit week-end camping at Camp Flying Eagle or Camp Miles**. *Note: Most all other BSA councils charge units camp usage fees \$3-5 per person/per day plus equipment- program area usage fees (pool, canoes/kayaks etc.) even if they sell popcorn so this is significant recognition and savings for all SWFL Council units especially packs. (Recognition period begins when goal is achieved & runs from May 1- May 1- Popcorn 2019-FOS 2020 – Units must also have no outstanding past due balances owed)*