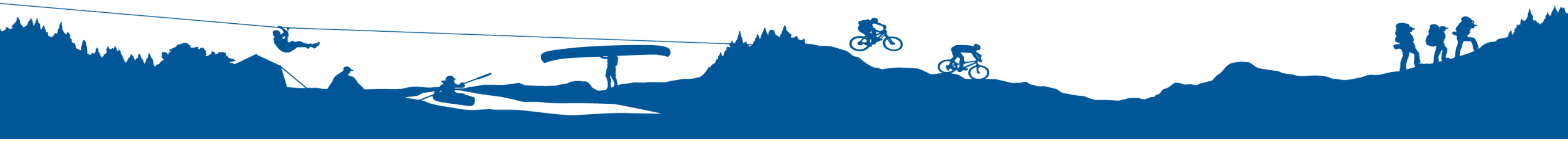




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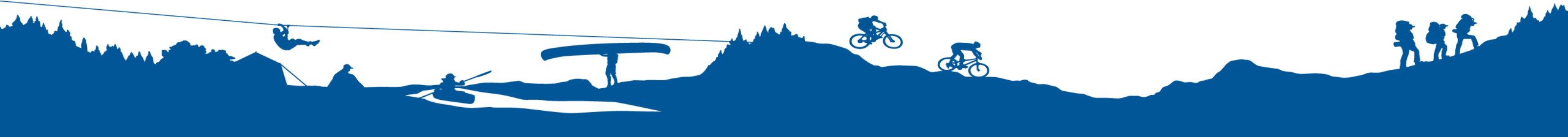




Family Scouting Team

THANKS TO OUR COMMITTEE FOR THEIR EFFORTS

Suzanne Brady	Pack/Troop 362	Charter Representative
Ann Colletta	Troop 204	Committee Member
Denise Kaiser	Troop 163	Committee Advancement Chair
Dave Marks	Pack 64	Asst Cub Master
Elizabeth Marks	Pack 64	Den leader/Lion Guide
Brian Morelli	Pack 340	Cubmaster
Bethanie Rizzo	Troop 454	Committee Chair





Family Scouting The Basics

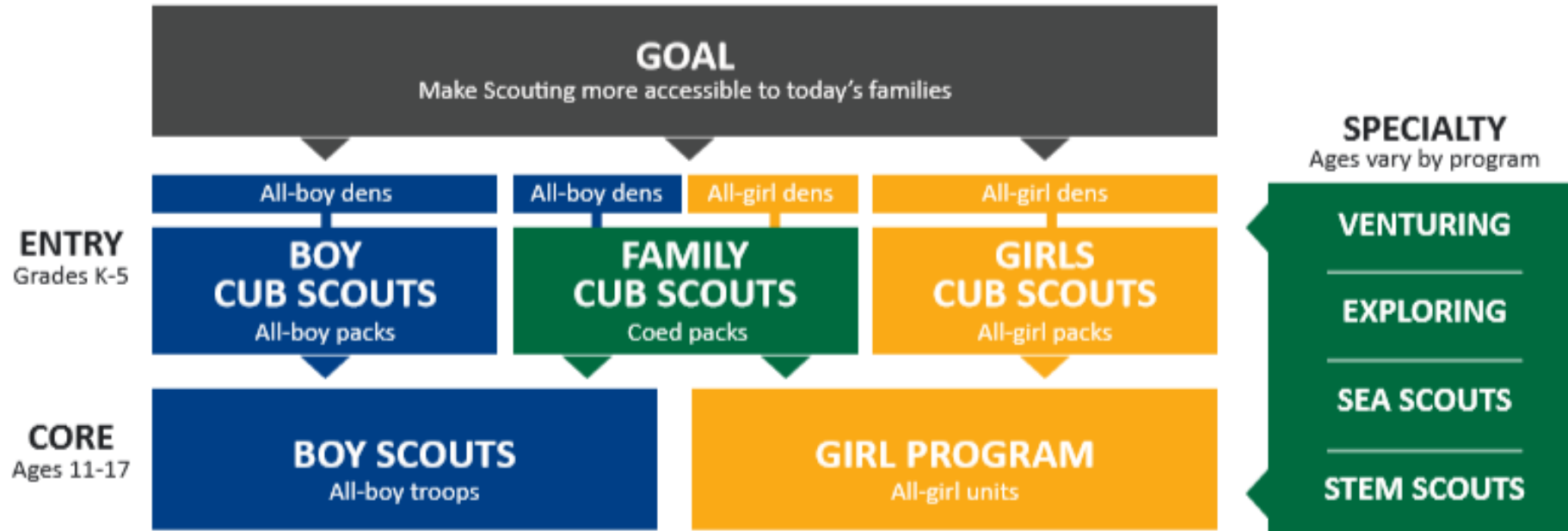
- The National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America recently made an unanimous decision to welcome girls to our iconic programs
- The decision was based upon feedback from the community that our programs which focus on leadership and life preparation are as relevant to girls as boys
- These are not co-educational program; packs will consist of all girl or all boy, or side by side boy and girl dens within a pack.





UNIQUE MODEL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

This hybrid model builds on the benefits of a single-gender program while also providing character and leadership opportunities for both boys and girls.



■ = boys only ■ = girls only ■ = coed

Allows organizations to identify the options that work best for their communities

Allows flexibility for chartered partners

Allows us to introduce Scouting to more families

Allows boys and girls to learn and grow at the pace that is unique to their development





Family Scouting – The Basics

- Cub Scout Packs can transition to Family Scouting or All Girl packs can be set up with the start of the 2018/2019 program year
- Girl Troops will begin to be set up in 2019 – more to come on timing of program guidelines
- The Chartered Organization holds the ultimate authority as to how its unit transitions to or decides not to transition to a Family Scouting model
- National is offering an early adopter program for girl Cub programs. The BT Committee will support, but will not be pursuing, these early adopter programs





Family Scouting - The Basics

What is NOT Changing:

- Name of the Organization
- Core Values
- The Program
- Advancement Requirements
- All-male dens

What IS Changing:

- Youth Protection – Need to have at least one YPT trained adult female per all-female den
- Position Training Required
- Females of all ranks may be in one den (single schoolroom approach if enrollment of female scouts is low)
- Both male and female adult leaders needed for all overnight outings (for mixed packs)
- Online Registration for Packs adopting Family Scouting
- Uniforms (change to some rank colors, slight tailoring)

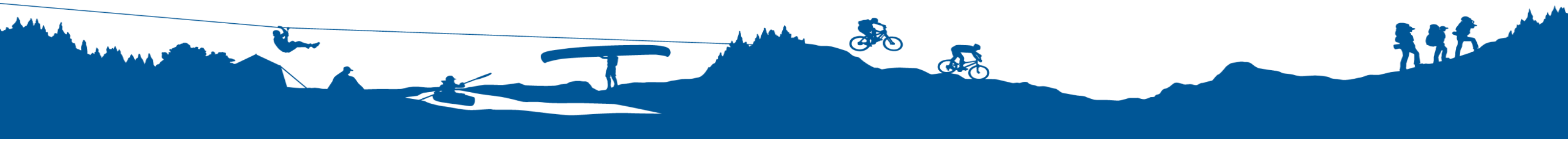




Family Scouting – Decision Making Process

Note: All packs must go through this process even if the decision is to remain an all boy pack

- Committee meeting (1) including chartered representative
 - Ensure all understand Family Scouting models
 - Understand/document Chartered Organization opinion
- Unit Parent meeting
 - Ensure all understand Family Scouting models
 - Understand/document consensus/non-consensus of parent's opinions





Family Scouting – Decision Making Process

- Committee meeting (2) including chartered representative
 - Does everyone agree on how the Pack is to move forward?
 - If so, fill out the Family Scouting Decision Declaration Form
 - If not, there are options:
 - If Pack leadership and parents are in agreement, but the Chartered Representative is not, then a new Chartered Organization may be called for
 - If Parents are not in agreement, partnering with an area pack in the same situation is a possible solution, aligning the families in those two units accordingly, or
 - Set up a new unit.
- Once a form has been received, District Leadership will inform Council and the ‘switch’ will be flipped for the unit to proceed within the system

THE KEY: There is a solution for all, we do not want to lost Scouts because the unit is moving in a direction different than a parent’s wishes.





**Benjamin Tallmadge District
Suffolk County Council, BSA
Cub Scouts - Family Scouting Declaration Form**

For the 2018-2019 academic year, Boy Scout of America have started a Family Scouting program at the Cub Scout level. For Boy Scout-aged programs, the Family Scouting program doesn't go into effect for another year. Please find educational materials in the supplemental hand out as well as at the following website:

<https://www.scoutingnewsroom.org/family-scouting/>

In summary, Cub Scout units, in discussion with their Charter Organizations, must declare whether they will 1) remain a boy only pack, 2) start family scout programs within their current pack, 3) choose to start a second girl only pack.

"In preparation to make our decision, our unit has performed the following steps:

1. At the committee level, have discussed Family Scouting Date: ___/___/___
2. With our unit's families, have provided education about Family Scouting and fostered open discussion. Date: ___/___/___
3. With our "Key 3 Leaders" (Charter Organization Rep, Committee Chair, and Cubmaster) discussed and concluded that our unit will: (please check only one)" Date: ___/___/___

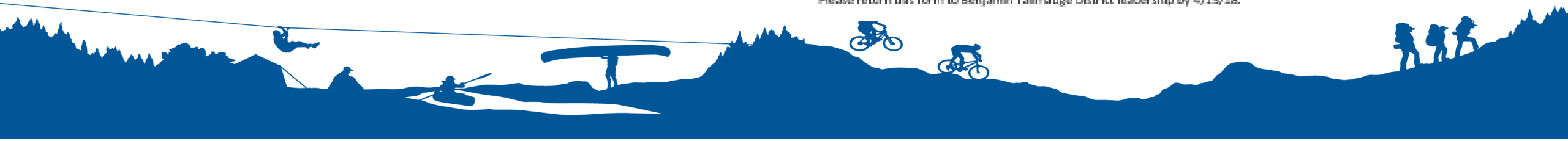
- Remain boy-only pack
- Convert to a Family Scout pack
- Charter a girl-only pack

Unit Number: _____
Town: _____
Charter Organization: _____

X _____ Print name: _____
Institutional Head
X _____ Print name: _____
Charter Organization Representative
X _____ Print name: _____
Committee Chair
X _____ Print name: _____
Cubmaster

Please return this form to Benjamin Tallmadge District leadership by 4/15/18.

Family Scouting Decision Declaration Form





Family Scouting - Timetable

October 12, 2017

National announces Family Scouting Program.
Roundtable Call for ad hoc committee to set
District process

October/November, 2017

Committee Forms

December 15, 2017

National announces Family Scouting pilot
program

December 21, 2017

BT District Committee decides not to pursue
pilots, will deal with requests as received

December 27, 2017

BT Family Scouting meets, sets goals and
process, assigns tasks and sets timeline

January 11, 2018

BT Family Scouting meets, confirms approach
and builds presentation





Family Scouting - Timetable

We are here

January 18, 2018

BT FS presentation to BT District Committee

January/February, 2018

BT FS finalizes approach and presentation

February 1, 2018

East Roundtable

February 8, 2018

Presentation to Pack Leadership at Roundtable

February thru March, 2018

Ongoing communication to Pack Leadership

April 1, 2018

Due date for Packs to communicate via form to District their Family Scouting intent, i.e., remain a boy unit only, create a girl pack, create girl dens within their existing pack

April 15, 2018

Marketing begins for Lions and Tigers for 9/2018

July/September, 2018

Program year begins





Family Scouting

QUESTIONS?

