## Together, Scouts and Parents are Required to read this Behavior Policy

## Grey Wolf NYLT Behavior Policy

Grey Wolf NYLT works hard to deliver an experience of "Scouting at its best" to all participants. We want Grey Wolf NYLT to be a positive experience for everyone involved, and a time that we live intensely the Scout Oath and Law. Because there are a lot of Scouts who don't know one another and because the Grey Wolf NYLT experience can at times be stressful, it is important that we all do what we can to think of others, and that includes our standards of behavior. The standards of behavior at Grey Wolf NYLT are based on the Scout Oath and Law; it is the intent of this document to provide some details about the expectations we have for behavior of all who are attending Grey Wolf NYLT.

Grey Wolf NYLT is a leadership training course set in a fun camping experience environment. Much of the training depends upon the participants being engaged and active in the events. In the case of minor infractions of the rules, the Scout will be asked by a staff member to change their behavior. If the Scout refuses to do so, they will be referred to the Senior Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster to complete a "Counseling Contract" which will outline the infraction, the behavior change needed to continue to attend Grey Wolf NYLT, and will be signed by all parties. Parents will be notified as part of the progressive behavior management process. Further incidents after a Scout completes a counseling contract will result in dismissal from the course.

There are some cases in which dismissal from the course is immediate. These are outlined in detail in the information below.

## **Grey Wolf NYLT Behavior Standards**

Most participants at Grey Wolf NYLT have a great time and experience no behavior issues. A clear and mutually agreed upon behavior policy and setting appropriate expectations is one thing that helps to make this happen.

While at Grey Wolf NYLT, all Scouts agree to:

- Treat all staff members and fellow participants in a courteous, respectful manner. Verbal and physical abuse, or hazing is not tolerated.
- ✓ Respect the privacy of others.
- ✓ Scouts will be always be in field or activity uniforms, except when in their tents or the showers.
- ✓ Follow the Guide to Safe Scouting, and use proper care when handling axes, saws, and knives.
- ✓ Follow instructions and guidelines for the proper operation of stoves and fires.
- Participants at Grey Wolf NYLT are members of a patrol, and their participation and responsibility in helping in the daily duties of a patrol are important. These include duty roster items assigned by the patrol leader, as well as participation in the leadership training activities administered by staff members.
- ✓ While at Grey Wolf NYLT we are guests of Fred C. Andersen Scout Camp. Respect for the property, plants and wildlife of Fred C. Andersen Scout Camp is required. Actions such as carving in picnic tables, on trees, buildings or other inappropriate items is prohibited. Marking or defacing camp property and equipment is prohibited. Participants are expected to keep buildings, latrines and other common areas neat and orderly. Littering and feeding of wildlife are not allowed. Food is to be handled as instructed by staff members. No food of any kind is to be kept in tents. Garbage is to be removed from campsites after every meal.

Electronic devices (including cell phones) are highly discouraged at Grey Wolf NYLT. They are not needed and are only a distraction from the course. Viewing or posting inappropriate material to the Internet (i.e. Facebook, SnapChat, etc.) is prohibited. This behavior will result in immediate dismissal. Phones and other devices utilized inappropriately will be confiscated and held by the Scoutmaster until they can be given to Law Enforcement or a parent or guardian.

The following acts and behavior are contrary to the Scout Oath & Law and may result in immediate dismissal from Grey Wolf NYLT:

- Threatening another person with a knife or other weapon, or by physical aggression.
- Entering prohibited areas of camp, including but not limited to the area on the river side of the fence, the bluffs of the lower camp, and the camp property borders.
- Willfully damaging camp property.
- Taking inappropriate photographs of themselves or others.
- The possession of illegal substances, including tobacco, vaping, alcohol, drugs, firearms (including archery equipment), pornography or fireworks.
- Willful disobedience of any reasonable request by a staff member will result in disciplinary action. If a participant feels that a staff member is acting inappropriately, they are to report the behavior to the Scoutmaster immediately.