

Evidence shows that even the youngest of babies react positively and strongly to music, and we want our Scouts to have the opportunity to experience music at a young age.

Our youngest Rising Star Scouts get the opportunity to play with musical instruments and have a good time. Youth love drums, flutes, cymbals, and more. Our Scouts get the opportunity play their own music and even create their own songs.

Scouts also get the opportunity to enjoy freestyle dance. Kids bring the funk with them and we have all seen young children get caught up in a beat and dance. Youth build coordination, get physical exercise, and build appreciation of music through dance.

As our Scouts get older, they may develop a talent for or liking of a particular instrument,



or may become interested in a particular form of dance, such as ballet. Local music and dance teachers are contacted to mentor our Scouts as they progress in skill. The Scout researches and finds some choices of teachers who seem appropriate to them, and then contact the teachers one at a time to see if they are interested in being a mentor.

Below is a basic script to follow when contacting a Mentor:

Proper planning must be made prior to meeting with a Mentor or visiting a place. Proper planning includes making an appointment with the appropriate person. Making an appointment includes: generating the contact information for a selected individual by conducting research via the internet, telephone book, or personal referral.

Be sure to ask your parents, teachers, Team Leaders, fellow scouts, and your friends for referrals. Get your parents' permission before deciding on a Mentor or going to an appointment. Get parental permission regarding your appointment time and meeting place.

Be certain your parents know the exact address of where you are going and the name of the person you are meeting with, your departure time, and your expected return time. Remember no Scout is permitted to enter the home or garage of anyone unless accompanied by their parent or guardian or are

otherwise following the safety practices of Adventure Scouts USA.

Contacting the selected individual:

- After obtaining the telephone number and dialing it, it is possible you may initially reach a receptionist in which case you need to tell them you wish to speak with.

- It will then be necessary to say your name, and identify that you are a Scout of Adventure Scouts USA or of the specific program you are a member of;
- Explain the purpose of your call.
- It is then possible you may then be

connected with the assistant or secretary of the person you are trying to contact rather than the person you seek directly. It may then be necessary to repeat your name, and again identify that you are a Scout of

Adventure Scouts USA
or of the specific
program you are a
member of;

- Explain the
purpose of your call
and why you wish to
speak to the person
you have been
referred to.

- When you get to the person you are trying to contact, greet them;
- Say your name;
- Identify that you are a Scout of Adventure Scouts

USA or of the
specific program
you are a member
of;

- Explain why
you would like
meet with them in
order to find a

Mentor;

- It is possible that individual may refer you to someone else either in their company, office,

or department to
work with in
order to
complete your
mission. If this
happens, you
will need to

introduce
yourself again
and explain the
purpose of your
call again.

- Once they
have agreed to

assist you;

- Schedule

an appointment

on a specific

day and time;

therefore you

should be

prepared to
know when you
have some free
time and if you
need a ride,
when the driver
will be

available.

- You will need to know the exact address, directions, and the

approximate
amount of time
the person will
be able to
spend with
you.

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Then
remember to
thank the
person for
agreeing to
meet with

you.

Not everyone
you speak
with will have

the time or
desire to help
you. If this
happens, ask
them if they
can refer you

to someone
who can help
you. If they
are unable to
refer you to
someone,

then ask your
parents,
teachers,
Team
Leaders,
fellow scouts,

and your
friends for
another
referral. Keep
trying until you
are

successful at
finding a
Mentor.
Perseverance
is a strength
that will help

you to
successfully
reach your
goals. Never
be
discouraged

when you
encounter
obstacles.
Like the story
of the rabbit
and the turtle,

it is not the
fastest, but
rather it is the
one who
sticks with it,
who

succeeds.

Remember
to:

- Call the
day before to

re-confirm
your
appointment.
- Prepare
whatever
you need to

know;
- Bring
with you
necessary
materials;

- Arrive
early for
your
scheduled
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- Be

properly

dressed in

uniform

unless
damage to
your uniform
will occur.
You are an

ambassador
r of the
program
you are a
member of

within the Scout Programs of Adventure

Scouts USA.