

Scout Troop 166/066

Newcomer Guide: Uniforms

The Scouting Uniform is a quintessential part of the Scouting experience. Troop 166 takes pride in holding to a high standard. At gatherings, Camporee, and Camp Parsons, the troop is known for its attention to uniforms.

Troop 066 Red Berets: Troop 066 (the girls) adopted the Red Beret as an additional standard. Any scout may wear it. The Red Beret was introduced in the early 1980s and discontinued about ten years later but remains acceptable uniform headgear.

Outgrown Uniforms: The troop keeps a resource of outgrown uniforms and equipment. Limited finances should never limit a scout's participation.

Class-A's — Full Formal Uniform

Worn to Monday-night meetings and Courts of Honor.

Neckerchiefs

Our distinctive neckerchiefs have two halves; the green is always worn on the right. New members who haven't achieved Scout rank wear an all-red kerchief with black detailing. The Scout induction ceremony is a very important event. By troop tradition, the shirt collar is turned under so you only see the neckerchief.

Socks

The Troop periodically renews the decision to always wear full knee-high socks when wearing shorts. Many scouts seek old-style red-topped knee socks.

Hats

Optional, but only official BSA hats should be worn with Class-A's. Troop 066 adopted the Red Beret.

Courts of Honor — Full Regalia

Held three times a year. The Merit Badge Sash is often worn at formal ceremonies. Front of sash for Merit Badges; back for patches without a permanent place on the uniform (such as a 50-miler patch).

Protocol Notes

Flag Ceremonies / Pledge of Allegiance

A Scout salutes if in full uniform; otherwise the hand is over the heart.

Outdoors with Hat

Scouts follow military tradition: if in full uniform outdoors and wearing a hat, the hat is NOT removed. Indoors, a Scout should not be wearing a hat.

Other Uniform Classes

Class-B's (Casual): Scouting event t-shirts or other scout-wear that are not formal uniform items.

Class-C's (Street Clothes): Work clothes for events like the Big-Dig compost sale. Scout pants are great for most outings.