



## Flag Ceremony - Pack 1928

### Presenting the Colors

The COLOR GUARD is composed of at least 3 Scouts in class A uniform. Two boys to carry the flags and a LEADER. Additional Cub Scouts can participate as the Honor GUARD and should fall in line directly behind the flag bearers. Cub Scouts should be encouraged to muster as much respect as is age appropriate.



>>>COLOR GUARD gathers at the back of the room. The "LEADER" for the flag ceremony is in the front of the room (with mic if needed). COLOR GUARD should check their uniforms, line up and have the flags in position to begin.

When COLOR GUARD & LEADER are ready, the Adult leader gives the Scout sign to quiet the group and signal the LEADER to begin...

**LEADER** "Color Guard Attention!"

>>> COLOR GUARD comes to attention

**LEADER** "Scouts Attention!" and "Please rise for the presentation of the Colors." (If non-Scouts present)  
*Pack Stands and comes to attention.*

**LEADER** "Scout Salute!" and "Color Guard...Present the Colors!" >>> COLOR GUARD Marches up the sides of the audience  
*All uniformed Scouts in the Audience give the Boy/Cub Scout Salute.*

...When the COLOR GUARD reaches the front of the audience AND pauses...

**LEADER** "Color Guard...Cross the Colors!"

>>> COLOR GUARD crosses the COLORS

*American Flag goes first and crosses from the Audience's right to the Audience's left. The Pack/Pack flag follows and moves from the Audience's left to the Audience's right. The COLOR GUARD positions themselves at the corners of the stage and faces the flag stands.*

...After the COLOR GUARD is in position...

**LEADER** "Color Guard...Post the Colors!"

>>> COLOR GUARD places the flags in stands, US flag last, and faces US flag

...After the COLOR GUARD has posted the colors, stepped back and is saluting...

**LEADER** "Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance."

**All:** "I pledge allegiance to the Flag  
of the United States of America,  
and to the Republic for which it stands:  
one Nation under God, indivisible,  
with Liberty and Justice for all."

*Optionally the Cub Scout Promise may be recited at this time.*

**LEADER:** "Scout sign!" *Uniformed Scouts give the Scout sign.*  
**LEADER:** "Cub Scout Promise!" *The Scouts recite the Cub Scout Promise.*  
**Scouts & Scouters:** "I promise to do my best  
To do my duty to God and my country,  
To help other people, and  
To obey the Law of the Pack."

**LEADER** "Two!"

*Scouts snap their salutes down to their sides.*

>>> COLOR GUARD remain in place and at attention

A brief opening prayer or comments may be offered at this point. LEADER should be watching the Adult leader for clues.

**LEADER** "Color Guard dismissed!"

>>>COLOR GUARD returns to the back of the room

**LEADER** "Please be seated!" -or- "You may be seated!" *Audience and Scouts return to their seats.*





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### Retiring the Colors



>>>COLOR GUARD gathers at the back of the room, checks their uniforms, forms up (gets in line) and pays attention to the LEADER for their next queue

When the COLOR GUARD & LEADER are ready, the Adult LEADER gives the Scout sign to quiet the group and signal the LEADER to begin...

**LEADER** "Color Guard Attention!"

>>>COLOR GUARD comes to attention at the back of the room

**LEADER** "Scout Attention!" and "Please rise!" (If non-Scouts present and some still seated)  
*Pack and audience rise and come to attention.*

*...When everyone is standing...*

Adult LEADER, COLOR GUARD LEADER, or other Scout/Scouter may offer a brief prayer.

**LEADER** "Color Guard...ADVANCE!"

>>> COLOR GUARD Marches up the sides of the audience and pauses near the front of the room to await the next command

*...When the COLOR GUARD reaches the front of the audience AND pauses...*

**LEADER** "Scout Salute!"  
*All uniformed Scouts in the Audience give the Boy/Cub Scout Salute.*

**LEADER** "Color Guard Retrieve the Colors!"

>>>COLOR GUARD removes the flags from their stands and waits for the next command from the LEADER

*...When the COLOR GUARD has retrieved the flags from the stands...*

**LEADER** "Color Guard Retire the Colors!"  
*All eyes should follow the American flag as it leaves the room.*

>>>COLOR GUARD marches down the sides of the audience

*...When the COLOR GUARD reaches the back of the room....*

**LEADER** "Two!"  
*Scouts snap their salutes down to their sides.*

Adult LEADER may offer closing comments before dismissal – the LEADER should be watching the Adult LEADER for clues.

**LEADER** "Pack dismissed!"

>>>COLOR GUARD should stay with the flags to ensure they are handled appropriately and returned to storage.

*Pack dismissed to break down meeting location.*

