Arrow of Light



Arrow of Light 7 Virtues Candy Bar Ceremony

Props: An Arrow, 7 Candy Bars—Twix, 3 Musketeers, Snickers, Skor, Milky Way, Peppermint Patty, Hershey's Hugs

Tonight one of our Webelos Scouts has achieved the highest honor given in Cub Scouting, The Arrow of Light.

Will_____and his parents please come forward.

Tonight we honor your achievement and admonish you to remember the meaning of the Arrow of Light Award. Tonight you will receive an arrow, but before you can receive it you must know the seven virtues that are represented by the rays of the sun and the Arrow of Light Award.

Purple—Wisdom.

This does not mean you are smarter than others, but that you will use what you know to become a better person. You will seek the Lord's help in making choices.

You can learn to make a correct choice be-TWIX two things.



Red-Courage

This does not mean that you have no fear of danger. It means that you will face danger in spite of fear. You will be valiant in standing up for the right.

3 MUSKETEERS- You can show courage like brave men in past times.



Orange- Self Control

This means that you will control yourself and understand that there is an appropriate time for everything: a time to work and a time to play, a time to learn and a time to teach.

SNICKERS you know there is a time to laugh and a time to learn.



Blue-Justice

This means that you will be fair to all men. You will deal honestly with others and find no fault toward another because of the color of his skin or the beliefs in his heart.

Keeping a fair **SKOR** shows you respect the rights of others.



Yellow--Faith

This means that you have a belief in God and you trust in things that you cannot see, but which you know are true. Your faith is your compass in life.

When you look at all the stars in the <u>MILKY WAY</u> you can see what God has made and it builds your faith in Him.



Green- Hope

This means that you hope for great things today and greater things tomorrow. You are willing to work to make your future become all you hope for.

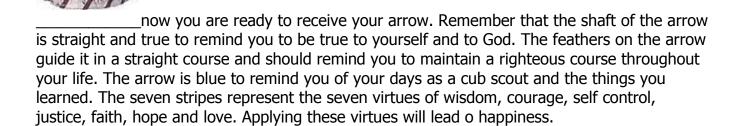
You have hope for things that are MINT to be.



White-Love

This means that you see love in all the world around you. You are loved by others and you love others and show that love through service.

<u>HUGS</u> represent our brother hood with mankind.





Arrow of Light Face Painting Ceremony

Props: Graduation Bridge, face paints: yellow, blue, purple, white, green, orange and red Prepare a table ahead of time with paper plates, ½" paint brushes, and paper towels to wipe paint off the brushes. Just before starting the presentation, place several drops of each color paint onto the paper plates.

Will [candidate's names] and their parents please come up. These boys have finished the requirements for the Arrow of Light. However, before receiving the highest honor in Cub

Scouting, these candidates must show to the world that they follow the seven great virtues of life. These seven virtues are symbolized by the seven rays on the Arrow of Light award.

[Candidate's names], I want you to know how proud your parents and your scout leaders are that you have chosen to work hard and earn this important Cub Scout award. Please sit down in these chairs, and parents, if you will help us now...

Take **yellow** from the sun and place the mark of WISDOM on your son's forehead. This mark stands for his desire to learn wisdom and with it make a better life for himself and his family. Take **blue** from the summer sky and place the mark of COURAGE on his chin, just under his lip, to show that he will stand up to any task asked of him.

Take **purple** from the lilac flower and place the mark of SELF-CONTROL on his chin, below the other mark. This shows that he knows his limits and when to say no.

Take **green** from the tall mountain trees and place the mark of JUSTICE high on his right cheek to show that he deals fairly and honestly with everyone.

Take **white** from the winter snow and place the mark of FAITH high on his left cheek. This shows that he has a deep faith in God and acknowledges His hand in all things.

Take **orange** from a brilliant sunset and place the mark of HOPE lower on his right cheek. With every sunset, we have hope for better things to come.

Take **red** from the wild rose and place the mark of LOVE lower on his left cheek to show that he loves his family, his friends, his country and Heavenly Father.

As you cross the bridge into Boy Scouting I will give you the cub Scout handshake one last time. (shake the boys hand and help him take off his Cub Scout neckerchief—he then crosses the bridge and gives receives Boy Scout neckerchief. Do this slowly, one boy at a time, so the proud parents can take pictures. After this is completed you might want to give special recognition to the Webelos leader which his is as proud of the boys as their parents are.)

Seven Great Virtues Ceremony

Prop: "Cub-a-labra" with 7 candles, preferably using the 7 rays of the AOL as candleholders.

Tonight we gather to honor (# of Scouts receiving award) Webelos Scouts that have earned the highest award in Cub Scouting: The Arrow of Light. These Scouts have worked very hard over the last two years to earn this prestigious award, and demonstrate that they understand the purpose of Scouting. The seven candles before you represent the rays in the Arrow of Light. These seven rays stand for the seven great virtues of life...virtues that a Webelos Scout must have if they are to succeed and advance in Scouting and in life. For younger Scouts, living by and using these 7 great virtues will help you achieve much on your trail upward to the Arrow of Light.

A Scout has **WISDOM** (light candle #1) Having wisdom doesn't mean that a Scout is smarter than others. It means that he uses what he knows to live a better life -- to be a good example for other people, young and old, Scouts and others, family and friends.

A Scout has **COURAGE** (light candle #2) Having courage doesn't mean that you're never afraid -- very courageous people are often afraid. However, facing danger despite your fear is the act of a brave, courageous Scout.

A Scout has **SELF-CONTROL** (light candle #3) Scouts have to know when to stop. When you can stop yourself when you have had enough or done enough of something -- enough eating, enough playing, or even enough working -- then you have self-control. Know what behavior is correct in each situation, and do it. When you have self-control, you are growing up as a Scout.

A Scout gives **JUSTICE** (light candle #4) Justice is part of the Pledge of Allegiance: "with liberty and justice for all"/ Justice is being fair with others that we go to school with, work and play with. Justice means it doesn't matter who the person is, or what color they are, or what they do...Scouts are fair to everyone.

A Scout has **FAITH** (light candle #5) Scouts believe in God. Faith means that we believe in God and other things we cannot see. When you know God exists in your heart, you have faith.

A Scout has **HOPE** (light candle #6) Hope means you look forward to good things that you believe will happen. You hope for better things tomorrow, but you work hard today to make those good things happen.

A Scout has **LOVE** (light candle #7) Scouts have many kinds of love. Love of family, home, your fellow Scouts, God and country are all a part of Scouting. Every kind of love is important for a full and happy life.

You will find that if you life by these seven virtues, you will be happy and will make the people around you happy as well. The Webelos Scouts before us this evening have proven that they understand their responsibilities as good sons and good Scouts. With the help of their willing parents, they will advance far along the Boy Scout Trail. Congratulations, Scouts.