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Good Afternoon:

I am writing as we are at a time of significant change in the Boy Scouts of America. To provide a safe space for all our scouts, and to support the new Family Scouting program, as well the inclusion of young women in Boy Scouts in 2019, the BSA has introduced new Youth Protection Training. This training is more in-depth than the previous YPT and address many of the questions we have received about procedural changes to leadership, safety, and other concerns regarding the recent changes to BSA programs. All registered adult leaders must complete the training by October 1st, 2018 per national guidelines, even if the adult has taken the former YPT in the past 2 years.

The new training can be found at www.my.scouting.org after signing to your account, click on the Youth protection training logo on the left side of the screen. If you need assistance in taking the online training, please click [here](#). Note that there are two available courses, please select the one titled as "mandatory." You may take the additional optional training if you wish. I recommend allocating 90 minutes to complete the training. Please contact me at Cynthia.Gentleman@Scouting.org if you would like to schedule a training for your entire unit.

Thank you for your cooperation, and please be on the lookout via regular mail and email for updates on any future changes.

Cynthia Gentleman, District Director

