

NOT GOOD ENOUGH BOY SCOUTS STOP ANTI-GAY BIGOTRY

Trustworthy, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Cheerful, and Brave. Every Boy Scout is expected to know these and other basic moral tenets of the Boy Scout Law. Yet if we truly wish to teach our children well, bigotry and discrimination should have no place among these values.

After years of banning gays from participating, the national executive board of the Boy Scouts of America continues to pass the buck on anti-gay bigotry by refusing to enact a non-discrimination policy within its ranks. By allowing sponsoring organizations to institute their own bans on gay Scouts and troop leaders, BSA is reinforcing an unacceptable message: that it is okay to discriminate.

Scouting is an American tradition, but so is standing up for what's right. The BSA board has a responsibility to lead on this issue, and it has a duty to uphold the values that make Scouting great. Tell the BSA board to allow all Americans to take part in the proud tradition of Scouting and enact an anti-discrimination policy today.



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