

Troop 23
Laurel Highlands Council
Area 1, Conestoga District
Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church, Charter Organization

Troop website: <http://scoutlander.com/publicsite/unithome.aspx?UID=15947>

Dear Parents:

As part of the continuing efforts of Boy Scouts of America to protect all youth it has been determined that the way units communicate with scouts needs to be more explicit. The law requires that parents of scouts 13 years and younger need to give unit leaders written permission to email scouts. *Troop 23 decided that we want to get permission from all scout parents to have adult leaders email their son regardless of their age and to have scouts always include another adult on any email sent to a registered troop leader.*

Some reasons a registered leader might contact your son are (1) to verify a meeting date, (2) to discuss merit badge work or (3) to discuss an upcoming troop activity. Some reasons a Scout may need to contact a leader to request a leader be a merit badge counselor, to ask assistance with a service project, to verify meeting information.

The troop has implemented the policy that In addition to the Scout, **leaders** must include at least **one other adult** in any email that is sent to a Scout. Troop 23 Scouts must always include at least **one other adult** when they email a leader.

We are requesting that you complete the following form and return it to the Scoutmaster today so that we have permission to email scouts on record. If you have more than one son in the Troop, please fill out one form for each son.

Return to Scoutmaster no later than September 29, 2015

I, _____ (please print your name) give permission for registered leaders of Troop 23 to contact my son _____ by email for scouting purposes. (use a separate form for each scout in the troop)

Please use the following email address to contact my son: _____

(Parent(s) current email address(es) that should be included in the Troop Database:

Mom: _____

Dad: _____

Other (specific relationship): _____

Best Phone Number to get in touch with Parent(s):

(home _____

work _____

cell _____

Home Address: _____

Signed by: _____ Date: _____

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