Congratulations on being selected to serve as Scoutmaster for your new troop. You have been entrusted by your chartered organization as an adult leader to represent them and the Scouting program. You can have a lasting impact on the youth in your Scout troop, preparing them to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

Here is a list of resources that will help you in your new role:

**New Scout Leader Start-Up Process**—<u>This document</u> is designed as a simple checklist for the new Scoutmaster, who may be unfamiliar with Scouts BSA.

**Welcome to Our Troop!**—This is a <u>one-page, customizable document</u> to be used at a parent orientation

**Troop Resource Survey**—<u>This document</u> can be used to identify the skills and interests of parents so that they can take a more active role in helping Scouts.

**Merit Badges**—Parents with an interest in becoming merit badge counselors can <u>find the requirements</u> for each badge.

**Orientation for New Scouts BSA Parents**—<u>This resource</u> provides you with brief presentations to draw new Scout parents into the troop experience.

**New Troops Planning page at TroopLeader.org**- Includes resources to assist the new troop in planning their first month's meetings and programs. <u>Visit TroopLeader.org</u>.