## Scouts BSA Troop 5280

## Serving Scouts with Special Needs

Troop meetings are the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$ Tuesdays of each month at Saint Peter Lutheran Church, 9300 E Belleview Ave, Greenwood Village, CO, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Both students with special needs and their siblings are encouraged to join the troop!

As of 2-1-19, girls may join Scouts BSA. The girls are required to form their own troop with separate, adults as Scoutmaster \& Assistant Scoutmaster, with one position being a female. However, the Chartered Organization of Saint Peter Lutheran Church and the Troop 5280 Committee can serve the respective functions for the girls' troop. Both the boys \& girls troops may participate in program activities together with an adult female in attendance from the girls' troop, who has been BSA Youth Protection trained. Girls are invited!

Scouts BSA Troop 5280 of the Denver Area Council was started in 2009 to provide Special Needs Scouts of the Scouts BSA age with a basic foundation and knowledge of the traditional Scouts BSA program. Troop 5280 is the first Transitional Scouts BSA Troop for boys ages $101 / 2$ to 18 in the Denver Area Council. The Troop starts boys on the Scouts BSA trail and works to build self-esteem, social skills, and Scouting skills. The Troop follows the traditional Scouting outdoor program, including camping, fishing and hiking, as well as Rank Advancement and working on Merit Badges. Troop 5280 tailors the needs for each Scout's advancement to the Scout's individual strengths and challenges.

Once a Scout of Troop 5280 has acquired and experienced some of the fundamentals of Scouts BSA, the Scout has the option to transition into a traditional Troop in the area where he lives and actively participate with his new Troop's Scouting program. Or, the Scout and his parents may elect to remain with Troop 5280.
Friends - Camping - Merit Badges

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