



## **ABILITIES AWARENESS COORDINATOR**

An Abilities Awareness Coordinator is a leader, parent, or adult mentor who helps coordinate with unit leaders, scouts with special needs, and their parents to provide a positive experience for youth with special needs.

### **Mission Statement:**

The Three Fires Council Special Needs Committee aspires to offer the nation's foremost Scouting Program for individuals with special needs by: Raising awareness to our Scouting Units of the need for inclusiveness of individuals with special needs.

Setting the stage for success by providing support and resources to Unit Leaders, Parents & Units to deliver a quality scouting experience.

Creating an opportunity for Scout Leaders to be continuously educated and trained.

Our mission is to provide individuals with special needs opportunities to participate to the best of their abilities in an all-inclusive Scouting program offered by the Boy Scouts of America.

### **Responsibility:**

- Act as a liaison between the parents and leadership.
- Act as a liaison between the unit and the Council & District Special Needs Committee.
- Encourage Parent Involvement.
- Provide support for scouts with special needs & their parents during the webelos to scout transition.
- Make unit leaders & parents aware of special needs resources.
- Attend Special Needs training opportunities, and bring back the information to the unit.
- Facilitate opportunities for learning about special needs & scouting for leaders, parents, and scouts.
- Promote Awareness, Inclusion, and Opportunities for Youth with Special Needs.

### **Three Fires Council & District Support:**

- Provide guidance and training Opportunities for the Unit Special Needs Coordinator & their unit.
- Supply support materials and resources.
- Provide a network of scouters with experience & common interests to support the coordinator & unit.
- Promote Special Needs events inside and outside the district & council.

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