

## Spinning Wheel

The prize wheel is a fun, high-energy way to engage families, create excitement, and start conversations about Scouting.

### Supplies

Stand

Dry erase markers, eraser and other miscellaneous supplies.  
Bag of prizes/giveaways. Council will provide you with about 50 items. Unit will need to supply prizes according to need.

### Purpose

The spinning wheel is designed to: Attract attention to your booth, create a fun interaction with youth and families, provide an easy opening to talk about Scouting and encourage sign-ups or interest forms.

### Setup

1. Place the spinning wheel where it is visible and easy to access.
2. Make sure it is stable and spins freely.
3. Arrange prizes neatly and within reach.
4. Assign a Scout or adult to always manage the wheel.

### How It Works

1. Invite youth to spin the wheel with a smile and enthusiasm.
2. Before they spin, ask a simple question like:  
*“Are you familiar with Scouting?”* or  
*“Would you like to learn about the adventures we have?”*
3. Let them spin the wheel. It does not take much to spin the wheel.
4. Award the prize that matches where the wheel lands.
5. Keep the energy high—celebrate every spin

### Prize Ideas

- Stickers
- Candy
- Patches
- Small toys
- “Try Scouting” invitations
- Free raffle entries



## **Making the Connection**

After the spin:

- Engage the parent or guardian in conversation
- Share a quick highlight of your unit (camping, friendships, skills)
- Invite them to an upcoming meeting or event
- Ask them to fill out an interest form

## **Scout Involvement**

- Encourage Scouts to run the wheel—they are your best ambassadors
- Remind them to be friendly, helpful, and enthusiastic
- Have them share their favorite Scouting experience

## **Tips for Success**

- Keep the line moving but don't rush conversations
- Smile, make eye contact, and be welcoming
- Celebrate every participant—make it memorable
- Stay positive and flexible
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## **Safety & Fairness**

- Ensure only one spin per participant (unless you choose otherwise)
- Keep small prizes safe and age-appropriate
- Always supervise

**Final Thought:** The spinning wheel isn't just about prizes—it's about creating a moment of excitement that opens the door to Scouting. Every spin is a chance to make a connection that could lead to a new Scout joining your program.