

## Statement of Values

**PURITY** » God calls us to lives of holiness, being pure of heart, mind, word and deed. We are to reserve sexual activity for the sanctity of marriage, a lifelong commitment before God between a man and a woman.

**SERVICE** » God calls us to become responsible members of our community and the world through selfless acts that contribute to the welfare of others.

**STEWARDSHIP** » God calls us to use our God-given time, talents, and money wisely.

**INTEGRITY** » God calls us to live moral lives that demonstrate an inward motivation to do what is biblically right regardless of the cost.

## Trail Life USA Motto

### “Walk Worthy”

From Colossians 1:10, an encouragement to Christian believers to “walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him.”

## Trail Life USA Oath

On my honor, I will do my best to serve God and my country, to respect authority, to be a good steward of creation, and to treat others as I want to be treated.



We believe that both boys and girls need programs that are designed for their unique and valuable strengths and traits.

A ‘one-size-fits-all’ gender-blurring cultural trend that favors ‘sit still, be quiet, pay attention’ environments is hurting boys. Their rough-and-tumble nature doesn’t fit there. The result is that boys are falling behind academically and being labeled with social and learning disorders for behaving normally.

Trail Life USA understands the needs of boys and strives to provide an environment where they can fully be boys so they can develop into winning and confident men.



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# TRAIL LIFE USA®

Adventure > Character > Leadership

## Our Mission

*“To guide generations of courageous young men to honor God, lead with integrity, serve others, and experience outdoor adventure.”*





## Our Program

Trail Life USA is a Christ-centered, boy-focused mentoring and discipleship program that partners with local churches to empower men to develop the next generation of character-rich servant leaders through outdoor adventure.

Living the Trail Life is a journey for boys and young men established on timeless values derived from the Bible. Set in the context of outdoor adventure and working in patrols within Troops, each young Trailman is challenged to build character and a lifetime of practical leadership skills. All boys are welcome irrespective of religion, race, national origin, or socio-economic status. All program elements are delivered from a Christian worldview with God's truth woven into the very fabric of the program.



Starting with the **Woodlands Trail** for grades K-5, boys gain *knowledge* about outdoor skills, citizenship, character, friendship, and faith through fun activities, awards, and skill instruction.



**Navigators**, grades 6-8, gain *understanding* of their values and beliefs under the guidance of godly male role models through being responsible in outdoor adventures and in their home and school life. They explore areas of interest and earn Trail Badges for advancement.



**Adventurers**, young men in grades 9-12, mature in *wisdom* and faith through more difficult challenges and leadership activities with Christian men walking alongside them. They plan outdoor events, large projects, and hold leadership positions in the Troop.



**Guidon**, ages 18-25, provides positive peer support in the *life* phase.



The **Freedom Award**,™ the highest award in Trail Life USA, is an achievement accomplished by the few who reach the apex of the Trail Life USA program.



## Trail Life USA Statement of Faith & Values

Trail Life USA is a Christ-centered outdoor adventure, leadership, and character development ministry. Within the operation of the local Troop, the primary statement/profession of Christian beliefs, faith, and/or doctrine is that belonging to the Charter Organization. As with any of its ministries, the Charter Organization should take steps to ensure the Troop appropriately reflects these beliefs. While the Charter Organization may hold its own primary statement of beliefs, Trail Life USA Charter Organizations and Registered Adult Members must concurrently adhere to the Christian principles stated in Trail Life USA's Statements of Faith and Values:

### Statement of Faith

"We believe there is One Triune God—God the Father; Jesus Christ, His one and only Son; and the Holy Spirit –Creator of the universe and eternally existent. We believe the Holy Scriptures (Old and New Testaments) to be the inspired and authoritative Word of God. We believe each person is created in His image for the purpose of communing with and worshiping God. We believe in the ministry of the Holy Spirit, Who enables us to live godly lives. We believe each of us is called to love the Lord our God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We believe God calls us to lives of purity, service, stewardship and integrity."