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Dear Scouting U Support Committee,

Last week the topic of age requirement for NYLT was reviewed by the National Leadership Council (NLC). The role of the National Leadership Council is to evaluate and make decisions on issues that will impact the delivery of the Scouting program while providing a multitude of perspectives from a cross-section of the organization.

The data and logic that was used to arrive at the Scouting U Support Committee recommendation were presented. After discussion by the NLC, it was determined that there was not enough evidence to warrant making a change to the age requirements and that doing so may negatively impact the organization's ability to develop leadership in our membership. It was felt that the issue of boys and girls being in the same troop would not impact the Scouts BSA program. The decision of the NLC is that the age requirement for NYLT will be 13 years of age.

I want to thank each member of the Scouting U Support Committee for their thoughtful and collaborative approach in making a recommendation to the NLC. The decision of the NLC is final and it is now our responsibility to implement the decision and continue to offer outstanding leadership development programs to the youth of the Scouting program. We are currently finalizing a communication plan and will put out an official announcement shortly.

If you have any questions regarding the process, please feel free to reach out to Brad or Steve.

Yours in Scouting,

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