

Flag Ceremony (opening)

Walk on stage and up to the microphone

"Will the audience please rise."

"Color Guard, present colors..."

"Hand Salute"

Salute Flags...

(Scouts will proceed to stage area crossing in front)

When Flags are on stage say...

"Pledge of Allegiance, repeat"

Say Pledge of Allegiance - when done, drop hand and say...

"Two... Color Guard post the colors"

After flags are put in their stands say...

"Color Guard Retreat."

Return to your seats

Retiring the Colors

Walk on stage and up to microphone

"Color Guard, Advance."

After the scouts are on stage say...

"Retire the Colors... Hand Salute"

After the Color Guard is out of the gym say...

"Two"

Return to your seat.

Flag Ceremony

The Speaker stands before the audience.

Speaker: **"Will the Audience please rise."**

"Color Guard, present colors."

(The US Flag should be at the back of the gym on the right side facing the speaker. The Pack Flag should be at the back of the gym on the left side facing the speaker.)

As the flag starts moving into the room, the speaker says the following:

Speaker: **"Hand Salute"**

(At which time the audience salutes the flag)

(The flags proceed down the two aisles to the platform, turning toward the center and passing one another. The US Flag passes in front of the Pack Flag. As they crisscross past one another to the center of the platform they form a well-balanced front, facing the audience.

Speaker: **"Pledge of Allegiance, repeat"**

During the pledge, the color guard and flag bearers do the following:

The Flag Bearers hold the flags. The US flag bearer stands at attention, but does not repeat the pledge. The bearer of the Pack flag dips his flag in salute, but does not repeat the pledge. The Color Guard faces the US Flag, salutes, and repeats the pledge.

At the end of the pledge, the speaker drops his hand says **"Two"**, the command for all to end the salute.

Speaker: **"Post Colors"**

The flags are placed in their stands. The bearers and Color Guard then salute their respective flags and return to their den.