

THE INFLUENCE OF SCOUTING IN PERSONAL AND SOCIAL EDUCATION OF SCOUTS THROUGH PRACTICE OF ECOLOGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL TOURISM

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This study aims to analyze the influence of the Scout movement in personal and social formation of young scouts through development of ecotourism and educational tourism practices. In this way, it was opted for an exploratory-descriptive type of research, having as an analytic method the qualitative. The sample was a trial, in which the choice of individuals occurred by some criteria. Among the major results, it was demonstrated congruence between the principles of scouting, ecotourism and educational tourism and the contribution of the Scout movement and practices developed for personal and social formation of young. The choice to participate in Scouting takes the desire for social interaction combined with learning through playful and, in this context, the external practices are part of an educational project focused mainly on character development and social, historical, cultural and environmental conscience by young.

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