Great Sauk Trail Council Three Fires District

Webelos to Scout Transition Plan

Cubmaster's Disappearing Packet

<u>CUBMASTERS</u>: Your mission is to make this packet of information *DISAPPEAR* into the right hands. As Cubmaster, you are a catalyst for a successful Webelos to Scout transition plan. Please do all you can to make this plan succeed.

- **Step 1** Keep **The Cubmaster's Role**. Read and implement it with your pack.
- Step 2&3 Tear off The Webelos I and Webelos II Den Leader's Role, and the Webelos Den Tracking Form. Give to your Webelos I and Webelos II Leader(s).
- Step 4 Tear off The Scoutmaster's Role. Give it to a Scoutmaster from a troop near your pack. There are several Scoutmaster's Role pages so that you can give copies to multiple troops, if you wish to.

CUBMASTER'S ROLE

Your pack has given your Webelos Scouts a great beginning on the Scouting Trail. As you know, a major purpose of the Webelos program is to help boys prepare for Boy Scouts.

We find that the boys succeed best in becoming Boy Scouts when the Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, and Webelos leaders work on their transition together, as a team.

Along with the Cubmaster, Webelos leaders and Scoutmasters (all have received this transition plan) have a major role in Webelos-to-Scout graduation. We, and they, are counting on you to help in several ways. This sheet is designed as a checklist to help your Webelos succeed on the trail to Boy Scouts.

Target Date	Task	
August/September	 Include a joint Boy Scout/Den outdoor activity in your pack planning for Webelos boys	
September/October	 Assist your Webelos DLs in completing their den rosters and return rosters to the District Webelos-to-Scout Transition Chair by November 1.	
October/November	 With your Webelos leaders, plan a top-notch Webelos graduation for the February pack meeting. February is preferred to later months so that new Boy Scouts have several months to get acquainted and become prepared to attend summer camp with their new Troop.	
November/December	 Make appointment with local Scoutmaster(s). Confirm with them your Webelos graduation plan for February Pack Meeting. Be sure they know the date for your Graduation Ceremony.	
December/January	 Invite Scoutmaster(s) to your Blue & Gold banquet as an honored guest(s). Plan to seat them with your Webelos II den. Confirm how many scouts they plan to bring with them from the troop to help with the ceremony.	
February	 Conduct your Webelos Graduation at the pack meeting. Webelos should register and become Boy Scouts in the troop. If you re-chartered your Webelos scouts already, they need only pay the \$1 membership transfer fee.	
March/April	 Encourage any Webelos II boys who haven't yet found a troop to visit local troops	
June/July/August	 Encourage Webelos to attend Cub Day Camp and/or Cub Resident Camp. Note the special Webelos-only resident camp sessions!	

WEBELOS I DEN LEADER'S ROLE

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Target Date	<u>Task</u>
August/October	 Meet with local Scoutmaster(s) for planning joint Boy
	Scout/Den outdoor activities in the fall.
	 Take your Webelos and parents to visit local Troop meetings.
	Remember that Webelos do not all have to choose the same troop; try to visit several area troops.
	 Attend an outdoor activity with one or more Troops.
September/October	 Fill out your den rosters and return rosters to the District
	Webelos-to-Scout Transition Chair by November 1. (This is very important so that Troops can send your Webelos
	information and invite them to troop activities.)
March/April	 Fill out the year-end den report and return to your District
	Webelos-to-Scout Chairperson by 4/1.
June/July/August	 Encourage Webelos to attend Cub Day Camp and/or Cub
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WEBELOS II DEN LEADER'S ROLE

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October/November	 With your Cubmaster, plan a top-notch Webelos graduation for the February pack meeting. February is preferred to later months so that new Boy Scouts have several months to get acquainted and become prepared to attend summer camp with their new Troop.
December/January	 Encourage your Webelos II Scouts to make a final decision or joining a troop, and inform your Cubmaster and the Scoutmaster(s) of that decision.
February	 Graduate your Webelos II into Boy Scouts. Have them complete a Scout Application prior to the graduation ceremony and hand it in to the Scoutmaster at graduation.
	 Be sure new Boy Scouts have a troop schedule and begin attending troop meetings. Encourage parents to talk with Scoutmaster about getting involved with the troop.
March/April	 Follow up with any of your Webelos II boys who did not join a troop.
	 Fill out the year-end den report and return to your District Webelos-to-Scout Chairperson by 4/1.

SCOUTMASTER'S ROLE

Knowing that 70% of all boys who join Boy Scouts were Webelos Scouts first, it makes sense to "go after" those Webelos Scouts. New members bring vitality, new ideas, and new parents to your Troop! You can play a critical role in recruiting new Boy Scouts and in helping boys along the Scouting Trail through the Webelos Graduation Plan.

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August/October	 nearby Packs.	
	 Identify a Webelos Resource person (adult) for the Troop to help coordinate your involvement with nearby packs.	
	 Invite Webelos to participate in an outdoor activity and/or camp out with the troop.	
September/November	 Invite Webelos to visit a troop meeting. Have a Webelos parents' night to provide information about the Troop.	
	 Participate in your community's Troop Open House Night.	
December/January	 Plan, with Pack participation, to be part of the Pack's February meeting and Webelos graduation.	
February	 Attend the Pack Blue & Gold and help conduct the graduation ceremony. At the graduation, Webelos should turn in their Scout Application to join your troop. Encourage their parents to register as troop members too.	
	 Be sure new Boy Scouts have a troop schedule and begin attending troop meetings.	
March/April	 Hold a spring campout to emphasize basic scout skills for new boys. This will build confidence in your new Scouts and helps prepare them for summer camp.	
	 Have a troop parents' meeting to go over final details for summer camp. Make a special effort to have new Scouts' parents in attendance.	
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Webelos Den Tracking Form - Fall 2007

Webelos Den Leaders: Please fill out this roster with information about your current Webelos Scouts so that we may help Boy Scout Troops in your town connect with your scouts. Please return your completed roster by November 1st, to the Three Fires District Membership Committee, attn: Frank Sadowski, Great Sauk Trail Council 1979 Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor MI 48104. Or you can email your completed roster to fsadowsk@bsamail.org.

Den Leader Phone #:		Den Leader Email:	-	
Scout's Name	Current Rank (Webelos I or II)	Parent/Guardian Name	Address	Phone/Email

Webelos Den Leader: