

Welcome!
My name is
And I am the
For Pack
And I am here to help YOU with your Scouting Program!

To get started, be sure you sign the attendance roster being passed around if you missed it at the registration table.

What is Cub Scouting?

- The grade school program of Boy Scouts for boys age 7-10 (grades 1-5)
- A program designed to promote:
 - Character building
 - Citizenship
 - Training in basic skills
 - Physical fitness
 - **FUN!!**

The Cub Scout Program was started in 1930 for boys that wanted to be a part of Scouting but were too young to be Boy Scouts. Currently there are over 1½ million Cub Scouts registered across the country. This year we celebrate the 77th Anniversary of Cub Scouting

What is Cub Scouting?

- Program of activities that provides discovery and learning in an environment of group interaction and teamwork
- Promotes advancement toward achievements
- Program is geared to age level
- Program always includes elements of:

- Fitness

-- Outdoors/nature

Citizenship

-- Safety

Basic life skills

-- Crafts

Dens

- Small groups of 6-8 boys
- Boys grouped by age/rank
- Led by volunteer parent leader and assistant
- Meet weekly (except pack meeting week)
- The foundation of the Cub's experience

Boys will meet once a week.

Usually in a home (or some other place) after school or early evening. The meeting is conducted by the Den Leader and Assistant Den Leader who are parents of the boys in that den.

Family involvement is an integral part of the program for the boy to get the most out of Scouting.

Dens are made up of no more than 8 boys. Den meetings are a time for fun and learning.

They are planned by the leaders using Program Helps supplied by the Boy Scouts of America.

Games, crafts, songs, activities, and badge work can all be a part of the den meeting. However, one of the most important functions of the meeting is to plan for the Pack meeting.

Our Pack

- Organized in (year)
- Sponsored by
- Unit Achievements (i.e., Quality Unit, Summertime Pack Award, President's Physical Fitness Award)
- Meets monthly on (when) (where)
- Headed by Cubmaster and Pack Committee

Once a month all the dens get together in the evening for a Pack meeting.

All the dens here at ___(sponsor, school)_ are part of Pack __(###)___

We meet on the (week)(day)(location). All boys need to attend and must be accompanied by a parent. At this Pack meeting we learn what the dens have been doing, sing songs, play games, and hand out awards to the boys who have earned them. We also have a few special Pack meetings and activities including a Blue & Gold Banquet, Pinewood Derby races and some summertime events (picnics, swim parties, Cub Scout Day Camp).



Pack _____ is chartered (or owned) by _____(name of charter organization). The organization is charted by the Boy Scouts of America to use the BSA program.

The Pack is run by the Pack Committee, which meets every month to decide on monthly theme that the Den Meetings will be planned around.

These themes are laid out in Program Helps



1st grade boys will work in the Tiger Book

2nd grade boys will work in the Wolf Book

 3^{rd} grade boys will work in the Bear Book

4th and 5th grade boys will work out of the Webelos Book. Webelos usually meet in the evening and will be preparing to become Boy Scouts.

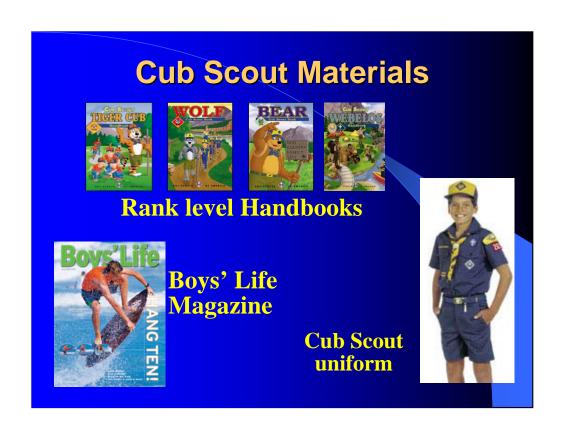
Although some advancement projects for the Wolf and Bear badges may be started in the Den meetings, boys are expected to do the work at home. Remember, this is a "Home Centered Program"

Awards/Recognition

- Each rank has badge of achievement
- Elective awards
- Religious awards
- Participation awards

Pack Activities

- Fall Color Hike
- Pinewood Derby
- Scouting for Food
- Service Project
- Other (Crop Maze, Inventor's night, Cake Auction, President's Physical Fitness Award, Halloween Party, Christmas Party, etc.)
- Cub Day Camp
- Cub Resident Camp



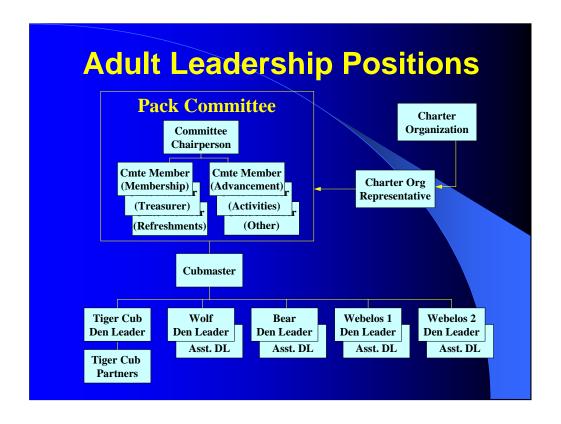
Parental Involvement

- Parental involvement is necessary for Cub's success
- Pack/dens need parents to thrive
- Organization requires at least two adults at all activities

Leadership for the Pack is supplied by parents in the Pack.

For every eight boys that want to join, there must be a Den Leader and an Assistant Den leader to share the work.

All other parents should help with the Pack Committee.



Our sons will be assigned to Dens. Each of these Dens must have a Den Leader and an Assistant Den Leader. These leaders are all volunteers, as are the people who administer the Pack your son will belong to.

This year is your chance to enter into something very special with your son. We need YOU to volunteer to become a leader. Yes, this will require time and effort on your part to make a good healthy program for our sons. But, can you think of a better way to invest your effort that with your child?



To help you in this endeavor, the Boy Scouts of America offers training, literature, and a network of involved parents to answer questions, open doors, and find solutions. You will not be on your own as a leader.

You do not have to have great ideas to be a leader in Cub Scouting. Over the years, ideas have been saved and compiled into many books to help leaders in Scouting.

Program Helps is published every year, planning every den meeting in detail from beginning to end.

Fast Start, New Leader Essentials, and Cub Leader Specific available to get you going in the right direction.

Everyone in Scouting is there to help you succeed. We want you to have fun!

Membership Fees

- Annual Registration: \$10
- Boys' Life Subscription: \$12.00
 - This price is half the cost of the non-Scout subscription.
- Pack Assessment:
- Transfer from another pack:
 - Requires an additional \$1.00 transfer fee
- Adult Registration: Same as for boys
 - Leaders' registration usually paid by pack

Membership Fees Collected by our Pack

- New Cub Scouts (good to February 2008)
 - Registration fee:
 - Pack assessment:
 - Boys' Life:
- Returning Cub Scouts (also to Feb. 2008)
 - Registration fee:
 - Pack assessment:
 - Boys' Life:
- Transfer from another pack
 - Add \$1.00 transfer fee to returning Cub fees
- Registered Adults (to Feb. 2008)
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Be sure to complete the Social Security number portion. We require this in order for the BSA to do a criminal background check. You will also need to fill out the yes/no questions, and sign the application.

Your Social Security # is only on the top copy of the Adult Application, which goes to the BSA Council Service Center. Your number does not transfer through to the Pack copy.

