

# WELCOME TO CUB SCOUTS

## PARENT ORIENTATION GUIDE





# Scouting's Impact

## Why Join Scouting?

- Cub Scouting is a fun way to spend time with your child and family while reinforcing values like character, leadership, personal fitness, and citizenship.
- Children benefit from belonging to a small peer group (a den), which helps build self-esteem and teamwork.
- The values in Cub Scouting are based on the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

## Scout Oath

On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

## Scout Law

A Scout is:  
Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful,  
Friendly, Courteous, Kind,  
Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty,  
Brave, Clean, and Reverent.





# A Family Program

## Serving Today's Families through Scouting

Cub Scouting is fun for the whole family. In Scouting, boys and girls start with their best right now selves and grow into their very best future selves. It's fun, hands-on learning and achievement that puts kids in the middle of the action and prepares them for today – and for life.

## Your Child is a Member of a Pack Which

- Is made up of one or more dens organized by grade
- Meets once a month at the Pack meeting. All Cub Scout families are expected to participate:
  - The Pack meeting is led by the Cubmaster
  - The Pack meeting is the highlight of the month's den meetings and activities
  - Pack meetings follow a suggested theme that have games, skits, songs, ceremonies, and presentations of badges that Scouts earned that month

**My Pack #: \_\_\_\_\_**





# Pack Program Highlights

## **Pinewood Derby**

Scouts participate in the thrill of model car racing! The Pinewood Derby is a parent/ Scout project in which they build a race car from a block of wood. Scouts race their cars against one another in the pack!

## **Blue and Gold Banquet**

This is Cub Scouting's birthday party intended for all pack members and their families.

## **Cub Scout Camping**

Resident camps offer overnight fun with new themes each year, like Wild West, Space, and Dinosaurs. Scouts and families enjoy exciting activities led by our incredible staff. Day Camp provides action-packed outdoor adventures close to home—perfect for Tigers, Cub Scouts, and Webelos with little camping experience. No overnight stay required!

## **Scouting For Food**

The annual food drive to benefit local food banks as part of our "Good Turn" to help the hungry

## **Field Trips and Special Outings**

These are great ways to learn more about the people and places in your community.



# Dens and Ranks

## Lions (Kindergarten) & Tigers (1st Grade)

Join with an adult partner. Parents take turns assisting with meetings.



## Wolf (2nd Grade), Bear (3rd Grade), Webelos (4th Grade)

More independent, with den leaders guiding their activities.



## Arrow of Light (5th Grade)

Focuses on preparing for Scouts BSA.



## Purposes and Methods of Cub Scouting

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Character Development     | 6. Respectful Relationships    |
| 2. Spiritual Growth          | 7. Personal Achievement        |
| 3. Good Citizenship          | 8. Friendly Service            |
| 4. Sportsmanship and Fitness | 9. Fun and Adventure           |
| 5. Family Understanding      | 10. Preparation for Scouts BSA |

# CUB SCOUT ADVENTURES

Embark on an epic journey in Cub Scouts! From reeling in the big catch to diving into the pool, camping beneath the stars, and exploring the thrill of cycling, these program updates make earning your rank a blast. Explore the thrills of Scouting with over 140 adventures, unlocking a world of fun that transforms every Cub Scout experience into a truly unforgettable journey!



**LION**  
Kindergarten



**TIGER**  
First Grade



**WOLF**  
Second Grade



**BEAR**  
Third Grade



**WEBELOS**  
Fourth Grade



**ARROW OF LIGHT**  
Fifth Grade

## REQUIRED ADVENTURES

- Bobcat**  
Character/Leadership
- Mountain Lion**  
Outdoors
- Fun on the Run**  
Personal Fitness
- King of the Jungle**  
Citizenship
- Lion Roar**  
Personal Safety
- Lion's Pride**  
Family/Reverence

- Bobcat**  
Character/Leadership
- Tigers in the Wild**  
Outdoors
- Tiger Bites**  
Personal Fitness
- Team Tiger**  
Citizenship
- Tiger Roar**  
Personal Safety
- Tiger Circles**  
Family/Reverence

- Bobcat**  
Character/Leadership
- Paws on the Path**  
Outdoors
- Running with the Pack**  
Personal Fitness
- Council Fire**  
Citizenship
- Safety in Numbers**  
Personal Safety
- Footsteps**  
Family/Reverence

- Bobcat**  
Character/Leadership
- Bear Habitat**  
Outdoors
- Bear Strong**  
Personal Fitness
- Paws for Action**  
Citizenship
- Standing Tall**  
Personal Safety
- Fellowship**  
Family/Reverence

- Bobcat**  
Character/Leadership
- Webelos Walkabout**  
Outdoors
- Stronger, Faster, Higher**  
Personal Fitness
- My Community**  
Citizenship
- My Safety**  
Personal Safety
- My Family**  
Family/Reverence

- Bobcat**  
Character/Leadership
- Outdoor Adventure**  
Outdoors
- Personal Fitness**  
Personal Fitness
- Citizenship**  
Citizenship
- First Aid**  
Personal Safety
- Duty to God**  
Family/Reverence

## ELECTIVE ADVENTURES

- + Ready, Set, Grow
- + Everyday Tech
- + Gizmos and Gadgets
- + Count On Me
- + Race Time
- + Go Fish
- + On a Roll
- + Time to Swim
- + Champions For Nature
- + Let's Camp
- + Build It Up, Knock It Down
- + I'll Do It Myself
- + On Your Mark
- + Pick My Path
- + Archery
- + Slingshot

- + Sky is the Limit
- + Tech All Around
- + Designed by Tiger
- + Stories in Shapes
- + Race Time
- + Fish On
- + Rolling Tigers
- + Tigers in the Water
- + Champions For Nature
- + Let's Camp
- + Curiosity, etc.
- + Floats and Boats
- + Good Knights
- + Safe and Smart
- + Tiger Tag
- + Tiger-iffic
- + Summertime Fun
- + Archery
- + BB
- + Slingshot

- + Digging in the Past
- + Computing Wolves
- + Air of the Wolf
- + Code of the Wolf
- + Race Time
- + A Wolf Goes Fishing
- + Pedal with the Pack
- + Spirit of the Water
- + Champions For Nature
- + Let's Camp
- + Adventures In Coins
- + Cubs Who Care
- + Finding Your Way
- + Germs Alive!
- + Paws of Skill
- + Paws for Water
- + Summertime Fun
- + Archery
- + BB
- + Slingshot

- + Forensics
- + Chef Tech
- + Baloo the Builder
- + Balancing Bears
- + Race Time
- + A Bear Goes Fishing
- + Bears on Bikes
- + Salmon Run
- + Champions For Nature
- + Let's Camp
- + Critter Care
- + Marble Madness
- + Roaring Laughter
- + Super Science
- + Bears Afloat
- + Summertime Fun
- + Whittling
- + Archery
- + BB
- + Slingshot

- + Earth Rocks!
- + Tech on the Trail
- + Modular Design
- + Math on the Trail
- + Race Time
- + Catch the Big One
- + Pedal Away
- + Aquanaut
- + Champions For Nature
- + Let's Camp
- + Art Explosion
- + Aware and Care
- + Build It
- + Paddle Onward
- + Chef's Knife
- + Summertime Fun
- + Yo-Yo
- + Archery
- + BB
- + Slingshot

- + Into the Woods
- + High Tech Outdoors
- + Engineer
- + Estimations
- + Race Time
- + Fishing
- + Cycling
- + Swimming
- + Champions For Nature
- + Into the Wild
- + Knife Safety
- + Paddle Craft
- + Summertime Fun
- + Archery
- + BB
- + Slingshot



# Pack Leadership

## **DEN LEADER(S)**

Leads the den at weekly den and monthly pack meetings. Attends the monthly pack meeting.

## **CUBMASTER**

Helps plan and carry out the pack program with the help of the pack committee. Emcees the monthly pack meeting.

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## **The Pack Committee**

Pack committee members perform administrative functions.

### **Committee Chair**

Presides at all pack committee meetings. Helps recruit adult leaders. Also attends pack meetings.

### **Secretary/ Treasurer**

Keeps all records for the pack, including pack bank account, financial records, etc. Attends pack meeting and den meetings.

### **Advancement Chair**

Maintains advancement records for the pack. Orders and obtains all badges and insignia. Attends pack meetings and committee meetings.

### **Pack Trainer**

Ensures that all leaders of the pack are trained. Attends pack meetings and pack committee meetings.



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# How Can You Help

## Parent Helpers

The Den and Pack rely on parent participation to run a successful program. Cub Scouting operates through volunteer leadership. Consider volunteering as a member of the pack's leadership or as a parent helper. Help with activities such as fundraisers, Scouting for Food, Pinewood Derby, Blue and Gold Banquet, Crossovers, and more. By volunteering in Scouting, you are giving your Scout the gift of your time. What could be more valuable? You will have an opportunity to be a positive influence on Scouts lives.





# Leader Training

Training is an important part of learning to become an effective leader. The main purpose of training is to provide you with the tools you need to put on a quality program for your Scouts.

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## Youth Protection Training

For over 115 years, Scouting America has instilled the values of the Scout Oath and Law in millions of youth, helping them make ethical decisions and grow in a safe environment. Safe Scouting practices and youth protection are central to the mission of Scouting America and the Laurel Highlands Council. To maintain a secure environment, all volunteers and staff must complete Youth Protection Training.



**Scan the QR Code for all you need to know about Youth Protection!**

## Job Specific Training

Job Specific Training is designed to present in-depth information for a new leader in a specific leadership position such as Den Leader, Cubmaster, etc. This course is presented several times a year in your district, at the council level and online. To complete training courses and Youth Protection Training online go to [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org) and create an account.



# Investment In Scouting

## What is my Investment?

### Scout Fee

(New Scouts and Scouts already members of BSA)- \$143

- Paid yearly at anniversary joining month
- National Fee (\$85)
- LHC Fee (\$58)
- Scout Life Magazine (\$15 additional)

### Adult Member Fee

(All Registered Adults)- \$80

- Paid upon joining/anniversary renewal
- National Fee (\$65)
- LHC Fee (\$15)
- Scout Life Magazine (\$15 additional)

## Pack Dues

The amount varies by pack, depending on money- earning projects conducted by the pack to operate its programs.

## Paying for Fun with Popcorn

Scouting conducts the popcorn sale each Fall. Entire packs, individual dens, or even individual Scouts may sell. Selling popcorn enables Scouts to fund their own adventures, like going to camp! Plus it helps with camp upkeep and adventures, annual fees, uniforms, unit supplies and equipment, and so much more!



**For more info on your investment in Scouting please scan the QR code**



# Your Pack Information

**My Pack # is:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Den # is:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Den Leader's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Den Leader's Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Den meets on (day):** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Den meets at (time/place):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cubmaster's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cubmaster's Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Pack meets on (day):** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Pack meets at (time/place)** \_\_\_\_\_

# Contact Us

## OUR MISSION

is to prepare young individuals to make ethical and moral choices throughout their lives by instilling the timeless values of the Scout Oath and Law. We envision a future where every eligible child and family are actively engaged in the enriching experiences and adventures offered by our programs.

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## FOLLOW OUR ADVENTURES

