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# **CUB SCOUT PARENT WELCOME GUIDE**





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# **PACKS AND DENS**

#### YOUR DEN

What is a den? When do we meet?

- A den is six to ten youth, ideally in the same grade, who meet with adult leaders (usually parents) to do Scouting Adventures, play games, learn skills, perform skits and songs, and take field trips.
- · Dens meet at the convenience of leaders and families often twice a month.
- · A den is led by a volunteer Den Leader or coleaders, assisted by all other parents in the den. Most leaders are parents of Cub Scouts, and every parent is a leader to their Scout!

#### YOUR DEN'S PACK

- You and your Scout and the den are members of a pack.
- Each pack is made up of one or more dens.
- The pack can host activities, usually once a month, that all Cub Scout families are invited to attend, like campouts, hikes, field trips, Pinewood Derbies and much more!
- Pack activities are led by a volunteer Cubmaster or other parent leaders, with help from other parents

#### YOUR CHARTERED ORGANIZATION

- Your pack is sponsored by a Chartered Organization, such as a school, religious or service club.
- Chartered Organizations are organizations with permission - a "charter" - to own and operate a Scouting program.
- Your Chartered Organization approves leadership, helps secure meeting places and keeps the pack within both their guidelines and policies of the Boy Scouts of America.



# THE ADVANCEMENT PLAN

All Scouts should have their own Cub Scout Handbook and work on their age-appropriate "Rank Badge". Handbook adventures can be den group activities and/or family-led activities.



### Lion // KINDERGARTEN

As a Lion, your kindergartner will make friends, laugh loud, gain confidence, discover nature and most of all...have fun! They'll experience the Scouting concepts of character development, leadership, citizenship and personal fitness through engaging and exciting adventures!



# **Tiger // FIRST GRADE**

The Tiger badge is earned after completing six required adventures and one elective adventure, plus a parent/child safety exercise. After completing the Tiger rank, Scouts may do more Cub Scout elective adventures. Adventure loops are worn on the Cub Scout belt.



### Wolf // SECOND GRADE

The Wolf badge is earned after completing six required adventures and one elective adventure, plus a parent/child safety exercise. After completing the Wolf rank, Scouts may do more Cub Scout elective adventures. Adventure loops are worn on the Cub Scout belt.



### Bear // THIRD GRADE

The Bear badge is earned after completing six required adventures and one elective adventure, plus a parent/child safety exercise. After completing the Bear rank, Scouts may do more Cub Scout elective adventures. Adventure loops are worn on the Cub Scout belt.



## Webelos // fourth grade - "webelos" meaning "we'll be LOYAL SCOUTS"

The Webelos badge is earned after completing five required adventures and one elective adventure found in the Webelos Handbook. Plus a parent/child safety exercise. Scouts earn adventure pins to be worn on the uniform.



# Arrow of Light // FIFTH GRADE

When a Scout completes fourth grade, they will work on requirements for the "Arrow of Light" badge, also found in the Webelos Handbook. This badge is earned after completing four required adventures and one elective adventure. In late winter or spring of the fifth grade, they graduate from Cub Scouts to a Scouts BSA Troop at a ceremony called a Crossover.

# **SCOUTING SAFELY**

The Boy Scouts of America places the greatest importance on creating the most secure environment possible for our Scouts.

### **BSA'S COMMITMENT TO SAFETY**

- True youth protection can be achieved only through the focused commitment of everyone in Scouting.
- Get Youth Protection Trained today! This is required for all registered volunteers to help keep kids safe.
- The Guide to Safe Scouting is the reference guide for Youth Protection and Adult Leadership. You can download your copy at Scouting.org.
- Be aware. Know the BSA's policies on Safe Scouting and stay up to date on your training.

### **BARRIERS TO ABUSE**

The BSA has adopted several robust policies for the safety and well-being of our members. These policies primarily protect youth members; however, they also serve to protect adult leaders. Parents using these safeguards outside Scouting further increase the safety to all children. Learn more about the BSA's policies at bit.ly/BSA-Barriers-to-Abuse.



### DO YOUR PART TO ENSURE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERY SCOUT.

#### **GET YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINED TODAY!**

- 1. Go to My.Scouting.org and create an account
- 2. Click "My Dashboard" in the top left portion of your screen.
- 3. Select "Youth Protection Training" under the YPT tab to take this course.
- 4. Upon completion, please print the certificate and keep a copy for yourself, give one to your unit and attach one to your Adult Leader Application.

# PARENT FAMILY LEADERSHIP

Your Scout's Pack is led by parent volunteers who provide leadership to a variety of key positions that ensure every youth and family has a quality Scouting experience. For this reason we encourage at least one parent in your famil

#### **DEN LEADER/ASSISTANTS**

Leads the den at den adventures and pack activities — guides parents about how to lead their Scouts. Den Leaders will need help from Assistants and helpers, and dens can be led by a "co-leader" team of 2, 3 or more.

#### PACK COMMITTEE

Pack committee members (some positions listed below) perform administrative functions of the pack to support the delivery of the program by Den Leaders and the Cubmaster - all coordinate in regular pack leader meetings.

#### **COMMITTEE CHAIR**

Overall coordination of pack plan and volunteers. Presides at all pack committee meetings. Helps recruit adult volunteers.

#### SECRETARY/TREASURER

Keeps records of pack funds (collections and expenses) and reports to the Committee. Handles applications and recharter paperwork.

#### ADVANCEMENT CHAIR

Maintains advancement records for Scouts. Orders and obtains all badges and insignia for den and pack recognition.

#### CUBMASTER/ASSISTANTS

Helps plan and carry out the pack program with the help of others. Emcees the monthly pack activity or meeting. Also helps guide parents about how to lead their Scouts.



#### PACK TRAINER

Guides leaders and parents to training resourcesmand classes (online and in person).

#### PARENT HELPERS/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Involved in program jobs of short duration including coordinating pack participation in sales events, Scouting for Food, Pinewood Derby, Blue and Gold Banquet, Day Camp, weekend activities, etc.

#### **NEW MEMBER COORDINATORS**

A "Welcome" team to help welcome families to pack events and guide families on how to get the most out of Scouting.







### **ACTIVITIES FOR CUB SCOUTS**

#### PINEWOOD DERBY:

Cub Scouts work with a parent or guardian to build their own custom race car! The Pinewood Derby event is often the highlight of the Cub Scout year for many kids and is typically held in early Spring.

#### **FAMILY CAMPING EVENTS:**

Every year, Bay-Lakes Council hosts a series of family camping events at Camp Rokilio in Kiel, WI. Camp Rokilio is home to our themed program buildings: Kohler Castle, Oertle Train Station, Fort JJ Keller, and Gunderson Viking Ship. Outdoor activities for those attending camp include swimming, archery, BB guns, and exploring the natural world of Camp Rokilio.

#### **BLUE AND GOLD BANQUETS:**

Blue and Gold Banquets are a tradition in Cub Scout packs. They are a celebration of the anniversary of the founding of the BSA on February 8, 1910, and therefore usually take the place of the February pack meeting. It's a night of fun and cheer as families gather to celebrate the Pack's accomplishments. Often, badges of rank are awarded. The Arrow of Light ceremony may even be included as 5<sup>th</sup> graders cross over to a troop. Sometimes community leaders or special guests are invited to attend.

### SERVICE PROJECTS:

Doing service projects together is one way that Cub Scouts keep their promise "to help other people." While a Scout should do their best to help other people every day, a group service project is a bigger way to help people. While you're giving service, you're learning to work together with others to do something that's good for your community.

Visit www.baylakesbsa.org/program-calendar for a list of additional activities and events.





# ADVENTURE BEYOND THE EXPECTED

# What will your next adventure be?







# CUB SCOUT

SUMMER CAMP

Three Locations!

Camp Rokilio - Kiel, WI Gardner Dam Adventure Base - White Lake, WI Camp Hiawatha - Munising, MI

#### DISCOVER THE ADVENTURE

- \* Swimming
- # Archery
- Camping
- Team Building
- Great Food
- Crafts Fun
- # Boating
- # BB Guns
- Advancement
- Nature Hike
- **Campfires**
- \* Themed Activities
- Friends

For more information visit: baylakescamps.org or call (920) 734-5705







# Scouting America. Bay-Lakes Council

Bay-Lakes Council Camps are operated by the Bay-Lakes Council, Boy Scouts of America headquartered in Appleton, WI.

Our camps host over 5,000 campers during the summer months and even more in the fall, winter, and spring.

### **OUR CAUSE**

ADVENTURE BEYOND THE EXPECTED

#### THE MISSION AND PILLARS OF **BAY-LAKES COUNCIL CAMPS**

Our mission is to engage our guests by delivering quality, innovative, and 'Life on the Edge" experiences that support the mission of the Bay-Lakes Council.

**LEADERSHIP** 

**OUTDOOR SKILLS** 

**ENVIRONMENT** 

COMMUNITY

# **FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES**

#### YOUR PACK CAN CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE APPROVED FUNDRAISERS.

Popcorn Sales benefit your unit and help fund the council camp scholarships, Scouting for Food, and much more!

- There is no up-front cost to your unit.\
- Units pay for only the product they sell.
- Sales support local Scouting.
- A built-in prize program encourages Scouts to sell.
- · Popcorn sales teach Scouts the responsibility and value of earning their way.
- Popcorn is easy to sell.
- · Adult leaders can earn free camping at a Bay-Lakes Council summer camp of their choice!
- Sale begins in August and runs through December.
- Sign-up at www.baylakesbsa.org/popcorn

#### Sell Through:

- Show & Sell (sell in person at a display table or booth)
- Take Order (ask neighbors and friends to place an order)
- Online Sales (create your own online store through Pecatonica River)

Coffee Sales benefit your unit and Scouts earn money for camp while also helping fund the council camp scholarships, camp improvements, and much more!

- There is no up-front cost to your unit.
- Units pay for only the product they sell.
- Unit commission is 30% of all sales.
- 73% of people drink coffee every day.
- 2025 sale will kick-off March 1, 2025.
- Sign up at www.baylakesbsa.org/springproductsale/

# **CUB SCOUT RESOURCES**

My Scouting Council is: www.baylakesbsa.org

920-734-5705 Bay-Lakes Council, #635 2555 Northern Road

Appleton, WI 54914 Facebook.com/BayLakesCouncil

**BSA** Online Store **Scouting America** Den Meeting Resources baylakesbsa.org Baylakesbsa.org/denleaderkit ScoutShop.org

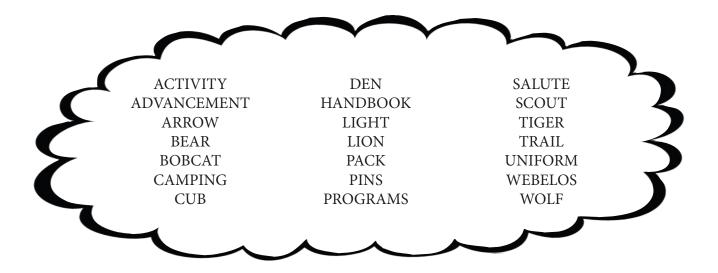
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Throughout the year, your Cub Scout will earn awards for completing the Adventures below with their den and pack. At each grade level, these core Adventures focus on character/leadership, citizenship, personal fitness, family/reverence, personal safety, and the outdoors.



# **CUB SCOUT WORD SEARCH**

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# **Bay-Lakes Scout Shop**

2555 Northern Road, Appleton, WI 54914 Phone: 920.831.9504

# **HOURS**

Monday: CLOSED

**Tuesday:** 10:00am - 6:00pm

**Wednesday:** 10:00am - 6:00pm

**Thursday:** 10:00am - 6:00pm

Friday: 10:00am - 6:00pm

**Saturday:** 10:00am - 2:00pm

Sunday: CLOSED



Email the Scout Shop at BayLakesScoutShop@Scouting.org

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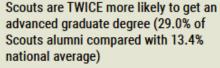
# **SCOUTING IS A PATH TO SUCCESS**

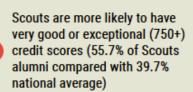


Scouts are TWICE more likely to get a bachelor's degree (75.6% of Scouts alumni compared with 36.0% national average)



Scouts are more likely to make almost DOUBLE of the personal income as an adult (\$62.5k individual median income compared with \$33.7k national median)





Scouts are more likely to move up in their socio-economic status. Scouts that come from low-income family background are, on average, more likely to make almost twice the personal income as an adult compared to their non-scout peers with similar childhood family background.



BSA strives to bring larger, broader, and longer social impact. The BSA values (Character, Leadership, Citizenship, and Fitness) imprinted during childhood go a long way. BSA alumni continue to change the world by taking more leadership roles in organizations, engaging in more entrepreneurial activities, and undertaking more civic duties.



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