



Cub Scout Pack 127 Parent Orientation Guide

Round- Up Data Sheet

My son is in den number _____

His rank will be _____

His leader(s) will be _____

Telephone _____

And _____

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His first den meeting will be on

 Date _____

 Location _____

His first Pack meeting will be at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall at 4 PM on Sunday, September 14th, 2003.





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As a parent, you want your son to grow up to be a person of worth, self-reliant, dependable and a caring individual. Scouting has these same goals in mind for him. Since 1930, the Boy Scouts of America has helped younger boys through Cub Scouting. It is a year-round program designed for boys who are in the first grade through fifth grade. Parents, leaders, and organizations work together to achieve the purposes of Cub Scouting. The purposes of Cub Scouting are:

- Character Development
- Good Citizenship
- Family Understanding
- Personal Achievement
- Fun and Adventure
- Spiritual Growth
- Sportsmanship & Fitness
- Respectful Relationships
- Friendly Service
- Preparation for Boy Scouts

At the same time, Cub Scout age boys do not join Scouting just to get their character built. Boys join because it is fun.

SCOUTING IS FUN WITH A PURPOSE!

CUB SCOUT PROGRAMS:

DENS: Your Cub Scout is a member of a den. Most dens have four to eight boys in them and usually meet once a week. Den meetings are a time for learning new things and having fun. Dens are led by a team of adult volunteers – the den leader and assistant den leader(s). Den leaders are usually parents of boys in the den.

THE PACK: Your Cub Scout is also a member of a pack. Packs consist of several dens. Most packs meet once a month. Pack meetings usually follow a suggested theme. They are a time for the boys to be recognized for their accomplishments during the month, to perform skits and songs they've learned in den meetings, and to have fun with the entire family. Packs are led by a Cubmaster and pack committee. Like the den leaders, the Cubmaster and assistants are volunteers and are usually parents of boys in the pack.

THE PACK COMMITTEE: The Pack is run by the Pack Committee. The Committee is made up of a group of qualified adults appointed by the chartered organization to administer the pack program. It includes the Committee Chair, the Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmasters, Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Advancement Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, and other committee members. The committee meets once a month.

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION: The pack is owned by a community organization chartered to use Scouting by the Boy Scouts of America. This chartered organization might be a school, religious group, service club, or other group interested in youth. The chartered organization approves the leadership of the pack, provides a meeting place, and operates the pack within the guidelines and policies of the organization and the Boy Scouts of America.

THE ADVANCEMENT PLAN:

Tiger Cub 1st Grade



Tiger Cubs is a program of indoor and outdoor activities designed for a boy who is in first grade and/or seven years old. Your Tiger Cub and you, his adult partner, are a team. There are five Tiger Cub achievement areas. The Tiger Cub, working with his adult partner, completes 15 requirements within these areas to earn the Tiger Cub Badge. You and your Tiger Cub will be a member of a den. Most dens have five to nine boy-adult partner teams. They usually meet twice a month in a den meeting and have one outing a month called a *Go See It*. The den also takes part in the monthly pack meeting. Each den meeting and activity is led by a den leader and an adult partner. This is called shared leadership.

Bobcat



The Bobcat rank is for all boys who join Cub Scouting. To earn the Bobcat badge Cub Scouts must learn the Cub Scout Promise, motto, salute, sign, handshake, Law of the Pack, and the meaning of "Webelos".

Wolf 2nd Grade



The Wolf program is for boys who have completed first grade and/or are eight years old. To earn the Wolf badge, a boy must pass twelve achievements involving simple physical and mental skills. Each boy is a member of a den led by a den leader and assistant den leader(s). Each den participates in the monthly pack meetings. After the Cub Scout earns the Wolf badge, he works on electives to earn Arrow Points until he is old enough to advance to the next rank.

Bear 3rd Grade



The Bear program is for boys who have completed second grade and/or are nine years old. Each boy is a member of a den led by a den leader and assistant den leader(s). Each den participates in the monthly pack meetings. To earn the Bear badge, a boy must pass twelve out of 24 achievements. After the Cub Scout earns the Bear badge, he works on electives to earn Arrow Points until he is old enough to advance to the next rank.

Webelos I & II 4th & 5th Grade



This program is for boys who have completed third grade and/or are age ten. Fourth graders are Webelos I and fifth graders are Webelos II. Webelos have a choice of twenty activity badges to earn. The Webelos program helps the Scouts to become familiar with the requirements for Boy Scouts – all leading to the Arrow of Light Award, which is the highest award in Cub Scouting.

OTHER SCOUTING OPPORTUNITIES:

In addition to participating in pack meetings and den meetings, our Pack is active in other events within the Alachua District and the North Florida Council. We participate in an annual food drive called "Scouting for Food" and an annual conservation effort called "The Great Air Potato Round Up". Pack 127 will also be involved in district camping activities such as "Buc Tuocs" and "Resident Camp" as well as a council event called "Scout Blast".