



## **Outdoor Programs**

The Occoneechee Council is very proud of its facilities. The Council has 2 camp facilities, and a wilderness camp spanning more than 2,800 acres, 26 buildings, and 34 shelters. Occoneechee is one of the largest providers of outdoor adventure in the state of North Carolina. All Scout units are welcome to use the facilities and experience some of the best outdoor camping locations in North Carolina. For reservations and information see www.ocscouts.org.

CAMP DURANT - Carthage, NC CAMP REEVES - Carthage, NC CAMP CAMPBELL - Kerr Lake



Boy Scouts of America sees that this country is falling behind in the STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) fields. Even though this is nothing new in Scouting we are aggressively perusing the how and why with our Scouts so they get a feel of the different Scientific fields out there. From understanding the scientific method to launching rockets, from water ecology

to wild life conservation, our program is loaded with opportunities to learn and have fun doing so. Science isn't just learned in a classroom, its found everywhere we Scout.

## Signature Cub Scouting Opportunities

Day Camp and Webelos Adventure Camp

Each child experiences a variety of outdoor fun during Cub Scout sum-



mer camp. Cub Scouts participate in activities geared toward their age group. Boys and girls are challenged with field sports, archery, fishing, swimming, leatherwork, crafts and more.

#### **Pinewood Derby**®

Scouts design and build small wooden cars to race on an inclined track. This is a great opportunity for boys and girls to work with their parents or adult mentors.

#### **Circuit of Fun**

Monthly activities for the pack, den and/or families to attend. Last year thousands of Cub Scouts and their families attended Circuit of Fun events like: Monster Truck Rally, Durham Bulls Baseball Game, Carolina Hurricanes Hockey, and Bug Fest.

## **How Much Does Scouting Cost?**

Registration Fee – Annual fee for youth and leaders
(The leader's fee includes a subscription to Scouting magazine.): \$33
Monthly magazine - Optional, but strongly recommended: \$12

**Pack Dues** – The amount varies by pack, depending on money-earning projects conducted by the pack to decrease the amount needed to run the pack program.

**Uniform** – The uniform and its cost vary by program for both youth and adult. See **www.scoutstuff.org** for details and current prices. Uniforms may also be purchased at your local Scout shop.

**Books** – Youth handbooks are the *Tiger Cub Handbook, Wolf Handbook, Bear Handbook,* and *Webelos Handbook.* Adult leaders use the *Cub Scout Leader Book, Cub Scout Leader How-to Book, Cub Scout Program Helps,* and *Webelos Leader Guide.* See **www.scoutstuff.org** or your local Scout shop for prices and a wealth of other reasonably priced resources.

#### **Local Scout Shops**

OCCONEECHEE SCOUT SHOP
3231 Atlantic Avenue | Raleigh, NC 27604
919-850-0301

CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCOUT SHOP (Behind Little Caesar's Pizza) 3446 Bragg Boulevard | Fayetteville, NC 28303 910-487-0103

## What Does Cub Scouting Do For My Child?

Develop more parent/son/daughter togetherness	97%
Have fun	97%
Develop new skills	96%
Be with positive role models	96%
Develop a sense of belonging	96%
Learn social skills	96%
Learn moral/ethical values	96%
(Percentage of Scouting parents who believe Cub Scouting impacts their chil	ds' lives)
* Harris Interactive Research Study	

## **What Does Cub Scouting Do For Me?**

Helps me become a better citizen	.90%
Helps me become a better parent	.88%
Adds more FUN to my life	.85%
Builds friendships with adults	.73%



For Boys & Girls In Kindergarten through 5

# A Parent's GUIDE to Cub Scouts

## Welcome to the Adventure of Cub Scouts!



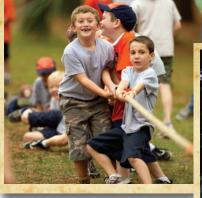




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## **How Cub Scouting Works**

Your child is a member of a den consisting of four to twelve boys or girls who meet 3 times each month with their den leader.

Several dens make up a Cub Scout pack. The pack meets once a month, led by the cubmaster, with Scouts and their families in attendance. The pack meeting is made up of fun activities, den demonstrations and presentation of awards earned during the month.

#### Kindergarten Boys and Girls — LION

- ◆ Boys and girls sign up with an adult partner
- ◆ Boys and girls are in a Lion Den
- One adult partner will be the Lion den leader
- ◆ Dens meet twice a month, attend a outings and pack meetings
- ◆ Each family takes a turn running the meeting with the den leader
- ◆ Meetings are based on adventures from the Lion handbook

#### First Grade Boys and Girls — TIGER

- Boys and girls sign up with an adult partner
- ◆ Boys and girls will be part of a Tiger den
- ◆ One adult partner will be the Tiger den leader
- ◆ Dens meet twice a month, attend a "Go See It" activity and attend the pack meeting
- ◆ Each family takes a turn running the meeting with the den leader
- ◆ Meetings are based upon adventures from the Tiger handbook

#### Second & Third Grade Boys and Girls — WOLF & BEAR

- ◆ Second grade boys and girls are in Wolf Dens
- ◆ Third grade boys and girls are in Bear Dens
- ◆ Den leader conducts meetings on his/her schedule
- ◆ Den leader is assisted by one or more assistant leaders (parents of other Scouts)
- Den meetings consist of ceremonies, advancements, games, crafts, songs, skills development and field trips

#### Fourth & Fifth Grade Boys and Girls — WEBELOS

- ◆ Webelos is designed to prepare boys and girls for the transition into Scouts BSA
- ◆ Den leader conducts meetings on his/her schedule
- Meetings consist of ceremonies, advancement, games, Scout skills, and outdoor activities

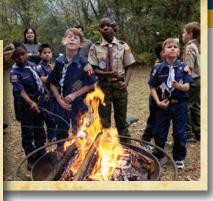


## **Cub Advancement Plan**

Cub Scouts work toward specific rank advancements. All ranks are designed to be age appropriate and grade specific.

Regardless of grade, all youth who join Cub Scouts start by earning the Bobcat badge. After receiving the Bobcat badge, a boy and girl works on the requirements based on their grade level.





## **Why Cub Scouting?**

- ◆ Cub Scouting's is a well-rounded program positively affecting every area of a child's life.
- ◆ Your son or daughter needs to belong to a group their own age. Through this sense of belonging, they build self-esteem and learn to get along with others. Cub Scouting teaches values consistent with good citizenship, character development, and physical fitness. The Boy Scouts of America has been weaving these lifetime values into fun and educational activities since 1910.
- ◆ Cub Scouting provides boys and girls with a sense that they are important as individuals.
- Cub Scouting promotes activities that lead to personal responsibility and high esteem.
- ◆ Cub Scouting is fun!
- Cub Scouting teaches youth to "Do their Best."

## **Make memories with your child** that will last a lifetime!

## **Scouting is a Program Families Do Together**

Parents who volunteer normally give 1-3 hours per week to Scouting activities. As a parent volunteer there are a variety of positions to fill: den leader, assistant den leader and parent committee member. If you are interested in volunteering just share your interest with your Den Leader or Cubmaster.

Your time is valuable. More than ever, today's families struggle to find time to spend together. Cub Scouting helps to support your family by providing ready-made opportunities for you and your son or daughter to do things together. Today, nearly 1.2 million adults provide leadership and mentoring to Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers. Through the dedication of these many volunteers, the Boy Scouts of America remains the foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training in America.

**Den leader.** Leads the den at weekly den and monthly pack meetings. Attends the monthly pack committee meeting.

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

## **The Pack Committee**

Pack committee members (positions listed below) perform administrative functions of the pack. The committee meets monthly.

Committee Chairman. Presides at all pack committee meetings. Helps recruit adult leaders and attends the monthly pack meeting and pack committee meeting.

Advancement Chairman. Maintains advancement records for the pack. Orders and obtains all badges and insignia. Attends the monthly pack meeting and pack committee meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer. Keeps all records for the pack, including pack bank account, financial records, etc. Attends the monthly pack meeting and pack committee meeting.

Pack Trainer. Coordinates Fast Start training for adults. Promotes leader training and roundtable meeting attendance. Attends the monthly pack meeting and pack committee meeting.

### Training

The Boy Scouts of America offers convenient training for everyone-parents, leaders, and youth members. As a new parent, you can learn all about Cub Scouting and the wonderful year-round adventure they are about to experience. Log on to www.scouting.org, click the "Parent" tab, then "Training," and you will discover all of the courses available. Create a "My Scouting" account and get started.

## **Important Things to Know**

About Our Den Number –		
Den Leader:		
Phone Number:		
E-mail:		
Meeting Day:		
Meeting Place:		
About Our Pack Number –		
Cubmaster:		
Phone:		
E-mail:		
Our Pack's Next Activity: Date:	Time:	
Meeting Place:		

## **Useful Web sites:** www.ocscouts.org & www.BeAScout.org

Also be sure to like us on Facebook Council Office: OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL at Occoneechee Council, BSA"

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## **Spending Time With Your Child: The Secret of Success!**

Come join the fun of Cub Scouting as a family... it's fun! You'll make new friends, too, as you work with the parents of your child's new friends. No task is too difficult when you're having fun as part of a team of Cub Scout parents, reinforcing each other's efforts to help your child grow up to be good citizens.