Pack 353 Parent Handbook



Welcome to our Pack!



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This handbook is a reference for the parents and Cub Scouts of Pack 353. Families new to Pack 353 or to Scouting will find answers to many of their questions by referring to this manual. If you don't find the answer to your question here, contact your Cubmaster, Committee Chair, or Den Leader and they will answer your question. You can also check our Pack website at http://www.pack353.net.

Pack Information		
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My son's Den Leader is:		
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Cub Scouting Goals

The goal of Scouting is to help a Scout to grow in both physical and mental ability, to introduce new skills and activities, and to have fun. The program is structured around family participation.

Cub Scouting is a program outlined by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). Parents and Leaders work together to:

- Influence each Scout's character development and spiritual growth
- Develop habits and attitudes of good citizenship
- Encourage good sportsmanship and pride in growing strong in mind and body
- Improve understanding and communication within the family
- Strengthen skills in getting along with and respecting others
- · Foster a sense of personal achievement by developing new interests and skills
- · Provide fun and exciting things to do
- Encourage each Scout to "Do Your Best"
- Prepare each Cub Scout to become a Boy Scout

The Pack is a family-based organization and is run by parents who volunteer as Den Leaders, assistants, and committee members or as planners for a special event. To successfully achieve the stated goals of Scouting, the involvement of all parents is needed. Please be prepared to volunteer for pack and den activities. Your participation benefits the boys in the Pack, the community, yourself, and your own son.

Cub Scout Promise

I, (say your name), promise to DO MY BEST To do my DUTY to GOD And my Country To HELP other people, and To OBEY the LAW of the Pack

The Law of the Pack

The Cub Scout follows Akela.
The Cub Scout helps the pack go.
The pack helps the Cub Scout grow.
The Cub Scout gives goodwill.

The Cub Scout Motto

Do Your Best!



Cub Scout Ranks



Bobcat. The Bobcat rank is for all boys who join Cub Scouting. All boys must earn the Bobcat rank before they can earn the Tiger, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos ranks.



Tiger Cub. The Tiger Cub program is for first grade boys and their adult partners. 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. These requirements consist of a series of indoor and outdoor activities just right for a boy in the first grade.



Wolf. The Wolf program is for second grade boys. To earn the Wolf badge, a boy must pass 12 achievements involving simple physical and mental skills.



Bear. The Bear program is for third grade boys. There are 24 Bear achievements in four categories. The Cub Scout must complete 12 of these to earn the Bear badge. These requirements are somewhat more difficult and challenging than those for Wolf rank.



Webelos 1. This program is for fourth grade boys. A boy may begin working on the Webelos badge as soon as he joins a Webelos den. This is the first step in his transition from the Webelos den to the Boy Scout troop. As he completes the requirements found in the *Webelos Handbook*, he will work on activity badges, attend meetings led by adults, and become familiar with the Boy Scout requirements.



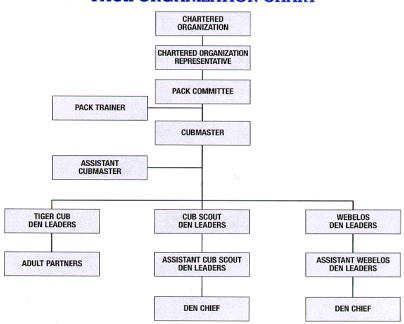
Webelos 2. This program is for fifth grade boys. A boy continues working on the transition from the Webelos den to the Boy Scout troop. All work leads to the Arrow of Light Award.



Organization of Pack 353

Cub Scout **Pack** 353 (http://www.pack353.net) is part of the Mountain Lake **District** (http://www.mountainlakedistrict.com/). The Atlanta Area Council is part of the **Boy Scouts of America** (http://www.scouting.org/).

PACK ORGANIZATION CHART



Charter Organization

The Charter Organization is the sponsoring organization for any BSA unit. Burnt Hickory Baptist Church, 5145 Due West Road, Powder Springs, GA 30127 is Pack 353's Charter Organization. It is their obligation to provide us with a meeting place and offer support as needed. It is our responsibility to consider how our actions as a Pack reflect upon the Charter Organization. We are also expected to offer our time and energy to the Charter Organization on occasion for service projects.

Charter Organization Representative (COR)

The Charter Organization Representative (COR) provides a formal link to the Charter Organization, Burnt Hickory Baptist Church. Pack 353's Charter Organization Representative is John Lyon.

Pack Committee

The Pack Committee plans and runs the Cub Scout program under BSA guidelines. Committee members meet the third Tuesday evening of every month at Burnt Hickory Baptist Church. Pack policies, future events and activities, future Pack meetings, Pack administration, and a review of previous events are discussed at these meetings. At least one representative from each Den is expected to attend to provide communication back to the Den. The Pack is run by volunteer parents so please get involved.

Cubmaster

- Helps plan the program year
- Plans and runs Pack Meetings and other program events
- Plans and conducts advancement ceremonies



- Maintains relations with Dens and parents
- Recruits parent assistance with the Pack

Assistant Cubmaster

- Assists the Cubmaster in planning and running Pack meetings, functions, etc.
- Fills in for the Cubmaster as required

Committee Chair

- Runs committee meetings, makes sure re-charter, Pack business, and Pack activities are completed in a timely manner
- Confers with the Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster on policy issues and maintains records
- Recruits volunteers for leadership positions
- Maintains current pack roster

Pack Trainer

- Makes sure leaders are aware of training opportunities
- Tracks leader training and provides records to the Committee Chair

Den Leaders

- Conduct Den meetings and other Den level activities with the assistance of the Assistant Den Leaders and the parents
- Communicates planned Den and Pack activities to parents
- Ensures the Cubs are preparing for advancement, are participating in Pack activities, and are recognized for their part in Pack activities

Assistant Den Leaders

· Assist in planning and conducting Den activities

Pack Committee Members

- Treasurer Maintains checking account, deposits money, writes checks, and reports balances monthly to Committee
- Scribe Records minutes at Committee meetings and ensures all Leaders are given a copy of those minutes
- Advancement Coordinator Maintains PackMaster software with all advancement and awards noted
- Webmaster Manages the Pack website within the guidelines established by the Pack Committee
- Popcorn Kernel Coordinates the Pack popcorn sales
- Quartermaster Manages the Pack's supplies and assists in coordinating food and dry goods for Pack events
- Outdoor Activity Chair Works closely with the Committee to coordinate campouts and other Pack events; assists
 in recruiting volunteers for these events



Pack Rules and Regulations

- Common courtesy and respect will be shown to each other at all times and is expected by the Scouts, parents, Leaders, and guests.
- Parents are responsible for the behavior of their children and guests at all Pack functions.
- Pack meetings will start on time and will last less than 90 minutes. Please arrive early. Pack meetings are led by the Cubmaster and will follow a pre-determined agenda set by the Cubmaster.
- Den meetings will be controlled by the respective Den Leaders and Assistants and will be when and where the Den Leader(s) decides. Two-deep leadership, which is the BSA requirement that there never be a leader alone with a Scout, will be in effect at all times. Married couples acting as Den Leader / Asst. Den Leader do not fulfill BSA two-deep leadership guidelines.
- All Pack and Den activities must follow the Guide to Safe Scouting available here: http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/HealthandSafety.aspx
- After a Den or a Pack meeting, the meeting area should be neat and clean regardless of the condition before the
 meeting. BSA policy dictates leaving an area cleaner than when it was found. Everyone in attendance will help
 with the necessary clean up.
- Any and all overnight trips or meetings held in a non-standard meeting place require the prior approval of the Atlanta Area Council. This is an insurance issue required to protect the Charter Organization. Anyone transporting any Scouts but their own child to one of these events must supply the information needed to complete the BSA form Tour Planning Worksheet. There is no smoking allowed in transit.
- Any event awarding patches, pins, etc. requires the participation and attendance of the Scout to receive them.
 There are no exceptions.
- Uniforms must be kept clean and neat. The uniform consists of a hat (optional), shirt, allowable insignia correctly placed, belt, and neckerchief with slide. Uniform pants are not required. Uniform requirements at Den meetings are at the discretion of the Den Leader(s).
- There is no alcohol allowed at any Scout event or function.
- Smoking is prohibited in front of the Scouts at all Scout functions and is forbidden inside or away from the outside designated smoking areas.



Meetings

Pack Meetings

Pack meetings are held monthly and is the gathering of the Dens where the Pack recognizes achievements, plays games, sings songs, does skits and has some fun. Each Den hosts a pack meeting and participates in the Pack meeting by conducting the opening or closing ceremonies, performing skits, or doing demonstrations. Occasionally, District representatives will attend a Pack meeting to present information to the Pack such as the FOS (Friends of Scouting) campaign or a camp promotion. Other visitors, such as local firemen / policemen may also be invited at the discretion of the Cubmaster.

Pack meetings are held the last Monday of the month at Burnt Hickory Baptist Church and begin at 6:30 p.m. Please check the calendar on the Pack 353 website (www.pack353.net) for the latest scheduling information. The meeting time and place will not change without prior notification. Changes may be due to holiday, school vacation, or other Pack, District or Council commitments.

One parent must attend the Pack Meeting with the Scout unless other arrangements have been made in advance with the Den Leader. Other family members, siblings, and guests are always welcome and encouraged to attend. The control of the siblings is the responsibility of the parents and not the Den Leaders. Pack meeting rules must be followed by all in attendance: parents, siblings, and guests included.

** Always accompany your son into the meeting place to ensure his safety.

Den Meetings

The Cub Scout Dens are the basic unit of Cub Scouting. Dens are composed of up to 12 boys of the same rank and meet two times a month in addition to the Pack Meeting or additional Pack events. Den Leader(s) conduct meetings with additional help from parent volunteers and occasionally a Boy Scout from a local Troop who may assist as a Den Chief. While some activities may be worked on at the Den Meetings, it is the parent's responsibility to assist Scouts in completing the achievement requirements. If you need help finding a location for your den meetings please contact the Committee Chair or Cubmaster.

For Tiger Cubs, the adult partner must accompany the Tiger Cub to each meeting. The adult partners help with planning and running a Den meeting under the direction of the Tiger Den Leader. Monthly field trips to locations associated with the monthly Cub Scout theme are encouraged. Active participation in the monthly Pack meetings is also expected.

Field trips may be held as planned by the Den Leader or Scout parents. A Tour Planning Worksheet may be required to be filled out and submitted to the Atlanta Council office for approval (contact the Committee Chair to check). Failure to complete tour plans may void the blanket insurance honored by the BSA. A minimum of two non-related adults must be present at every Den Meeting and function. No exception - this is the BSA two-deep leadership policy.



Finances

Pack Level Finances

Cub Scout Pack 353 is a non-profit organization. The Pack maintains itself through dues, popcorn fundraising in the Fall, and camp card fundraising in the Spring. Scouts are expected to participate in the popcorn fundraiser to the best of their ability.

There are two components to what the Scout needs to pay each year: \$109 dues, which are covered in detail below, and \$165 in popcorn sales. The Pack receives 30% of popcorn sales, with the remaining 70% going to the Atlanta Area Council and to pay for the product and prizes. The \$165 in popcorn sales goes to cover Pack administration costs. Although a family may opt out of selling popcorn by paying an additional \$55 directly to the Pack, boys are strongly encouraged to sell popcorn so that they learn the value of working for something they enjoy.

After the \$109 in dues and \$55 in Pack administration costs are paid (either through popcorn sales or directly) all proceeds from fundraisers go directly into a Scout Account for each boy. Currently 30% of popcorn sales and 50% of camp card sales is returned to the boys once their Pack financial obligations are met. Scout Accounts can be used to pay for dues, uniforms, camping fees, events, and even camping gear. Scout Account withdrawals for non-Pack expenses need approval from the Pack Finance Chair, Cubmaster, or Committee Chair.

Individual dues are \$109. The allocation is broken down as follows:

2014 BSA Registration	\$24
2014 Boys Life Subscription	\$12
Pack T-Shirt	\$12
Advancements, awards, etc.	\$25
Pinewood Derby car	\$5
Pinewood Derby trophies, plaques, or ribbons	\$7
Neckerchief (crossover rank advancement)	\$7
Book (crossover rank advancement)	
Neckerchief Slide (crossover rank advancement)	\$4
Leader registration fees	\$4

Commonly used forms such as the activity form, the t-shirt order form, and the expense reimbursement form can all be found on the Pack 353 website at http://www.pack353.net. These forms should be **completely** filled out and turned in any time money is being submitted or a reimbursement is requested. Note: Expense reimbursements are limited to certain Pack expenses that have been approved in advance by the Pack Committee.



Den Level Finances

Den level finances are the sole responsibility of the individual Dens and implemented at their discretion. Each Den sets their own amount for weekly dues and decides what is to be done with those dues. A standard of \$1 or \$2 per meeting per Scout is fairly common. The dues collected at the Den are to be used for the Den crafts, trips and activities.

It is encouraged to have the Scout 'pay their own way' by working at home for the dues required at the Den meetings.



Obligations



The Scout

The Scouts, the families, and the Pack must work together to create a solid Scouting program. The Scouting program is an exercise in cooperation between all three. The Pack cannot give your son a good program if the support of the parents and volunteers is lacking. Participation by the Scouts in activities also leads to a better program. The following is what is expected from each part of the triad.

The Scout's Obligations to the Pack

- <u>Do My Best</u> in everything I do. Obey the rules and regulations set down by the Pack. Obey the Den Leader(s) and Assistant Den Leader(s) and follow their rules and regulations. Work on my achievements and electives and advance in a timely manner. Participate in Scout activities whenever possible. Respect others, their rights, and their property at all times. Show respect for the BSA. Treat the United States Flag and the Pledge of Allegiance with equal respect. Be on time for all meetings and functions. It is not fair for the others to have to wait for me. Call my Den Leader(s) or ask my parent to if I cannot attend a meeting or function. Keep my uniform clean and in good repair with all my insignia properly placed. Wear my uniform proudly to all events and functions unless told otherwise by my Den Leader(s).
- Do a chore or chores in order to earn the money needed for my Den dues.

Parental Obligations to the Pack - All Parents

- Work with your son on his achievements and electives. Scouting is a "Family Affair," and he cannot do it alone. Many requirements are done at den meetings and outings, but others will require work at home. If assistance is needed, ask your son's Den Leader(s). At the **Tiger**, **Wolf**, and **Bear** levels (1st-3rd grade), parents sign off in his book when he completes requirements. Den Leaders sign off for **Webelos** (4th –5th grade).
- If your son is a first grader, he will be a **Tiger**, and you will be his Adult Partner. An Adult Partner is required to attend ALL activities with the Tiger Cub Scout.
- Accompany your son to the monthly Pack meeting. One parent is required, but the entire family is welcome.
- Attend a Den meeting or two. You need to be available to get the latest information from the Den Leader(s). Also, some activities are designed for active parent/son participation.
- Den parents are responsible for helping out the den leaders and may be delegated specific responsibilities such
 as hosting meetings, leading activities, or organizing field trips and other activities. Different dens do this in
 different ways, but all den leaders need help from the other parents so that they don't have to do it all themselves.
- Get to know the Den Leader(s) so interaction is more effective.
- Walk your son into the Den meetings. Make sure the Leader is there and that no last minute changes have been made.
- If you cannot stay for the meeting, make sure to pick up your son on time. (An adult must stay with their Tiger.)
- Volunteer and become involved. When we ask for parental assistance, there is a reason. The more active and
 involved you are, the more you will enjoy the Cub Scout experience. Den parents who do not want to be den
 leaders are expected to help out the pack in other ways. Some events are seasonal and are a good choice if you
 have limited time at certain times of the year. Here are some of the volunteer positions available:



- Popcorn Assistant (Fall)
- Friends of Scouting Coordinator (Fundraising Winter)
- Fall Family Campout (Fall)
- Scouting for Food Coordinator (Canned Food Drive Spring)
- Pinewood Derby Assistant (Spring)
- Raingutter Regatta Assistant (Spring)
- Spring Family Campout (Spring)
- Sporting Events Assistant (various times)
- Summer Activities Coordinator (Spring/Summer)
- Day Camp Assistant (Early Summer)
- Pack Meeting Planning Assistant (School Year)
- Voice your opinions, thoughts, and comments at the Pack Leader meetings held the third Tuesday of every
 month. The only way the program can be improved is to know what you and your son want. Participation in the
 monthly Committee meeting will give you an idea of how the Pack is run and will also give you the chance to be
 heard by the people running the Scouting program.
- Most communication in the Pack occurs via email. Please make sure your Den Leader and the Committee Chair have the current email addresses for both parents. For the latest information please refer to the website: http://www.pack353.net.
- Let us know of any problems as soon as they occur don't wait. We don't know about something that is
 upsetting you unless we are told. Contact the Cubmaster or the Committee Chair directly if you don't feel
 comfortable going to your Den Leader(s).

Parental Obligations to the Pack - Den Leaders

- There need to be at least two Den Leaders (or a Den Leader and Assistant Den Leader) for each den group of 6 12 boys.
- Den Leaders are responsible for:
 - Planning and running one or two den meetings per month

This does not necessarily mean that the Den Leader personally plans all den meetings through the year because this work is often delegated and shared with the other parents. For instance, the den leader can draw up a schedule at the beginning of the year and rotate the den meetings to different den members. The 'host family' is responsible for providing the snack and leading some of the activities. This may vary from den to den.

Reporting boys' achievements and awards earned to the pack

The den leader may delegate the job of keeping the award paperwork to another parent within the den.



 Ensuring that the den is represented at the monthly pack leader meeting (3rd Tuesday of month – see calendar)

The den leader may attend this meeting personally or delegate this job to another parent within the den. At this meeting, award paperwork is turned in, plans are made for special pack events, and the pack communicates information that should be in turn communicated to everyone in each den.

- Attending training to learn how to be an effective den leader
 - One training class put on by the council is required for den leaders. This class is "New Leader Essentials" and position-specific training (one day – see Calendar).
 - Den leaders must also complete the online Youth Protection Training and turn in a printout of the certificate confirming completion of the course to the Pack Trainer or Committee Chair.
 - There are many other optional resources for den leaders. One good resource is a booklet: the annual "Program Helps" guide which is published each year and provides complete den meeting agendas and tons of suggestions.
 - There is a monthly Roundtable Meeting during which you can get more ideas. There are also special training events available during the year.
 - o And there are lots of other experienced leaders within our pack who you can turn to for help.

The Pack's Obligations to You and Your Son

- Provide a solid Scouting program that you can both be proud of. Provide the means of advancement in a timely
 manner for the Scouts. Provide quality trained Den Leaders. Provide the opportunity to participate in various
 outings and activities. Provide a safe Scouting environment and meeting place.
- Communicate news and current Scout events to you in a timely manner.



Advancement, Achievements and Awards

The Cub Scout Advancement program follows the school grade levels and aims to introduce new skills and areas of interest as well as to build self-esteem, self-awareness, and a sense of citizenship and good sportsmanship. Parental involvement is crucial to achieve the advancement of the Scouts, and responsibility for advancement in rank rests with the parents. Verification and assistance of the Den Leader is secondary.

- All Cub Scouts earn the Bobcat rank first and then begin working toward the rank appropriate for their age level.
- **Tiger Cubs (1st grade)** work toward their Tiger Cub patch and earn beads by participating in activities. Beads are awarded for participation to enhance the Tiger Cub Program and ease the way into Cub Scouting.
- Wolf Cubs (2nd grade) earn the Wolf rank by completing 12 achievements. After the Wolf badge they can earn Arrowpoints. The 12 achievements are all identified in the Wolf handbook, and each consists of a number of activities to be earned during Den meetings and at home.

Arrowpoints are electives that can be earned during the Scout year, and can be awarded after the Wolf (and Bear) badge are earned. These are all electives in the back of the Wolf handbook. There is no limit on the number of Arrowpoints that can be earned by a Scout.

The parent signs Wolf advancements.

• **Bear Cubs (3rd grade)** earn the Bear rank (choice of 12 achievements) and then Arrowpoints. There are some required achievements in this rank with some options available. After the rank of Bear has been achieved, Arrowpoints can again be earned. There are 25 different categories of electives, which can be completed for Arrowpoints.

The parent signs Bear advancements.

Webelos (4th and 5th grades) earn the Webelos rank and can earn activity pins to get compass points. The
second year Webelos earn the "Arrow of Light," the highest award that can be earned by a Cub Scout and the
only award that is carried over to Boy Scouts.

The Webelos advancements are signed by the Den Leader.

Academic and Sport belt loops are awarded for trying out a number of various sports and academic subjects.
For those Scouts with more serious participation, Academic and Sport pins can be earned. These awards are
available to all Scouts of all ranks. This program is administered at the Den level; your son's Den Leader will be
able to help you find out more about the different categories and subjects available. The Religious Emblems
program offers the scout an opportunity to study his faith in-depth. Many faiths offer the emblems, with the
activities overseen by the Scout's religious leaders. BSA recognizes the achievement of these awards.



Pack Annual Events and Activities

Cub Scout Pack 353 participates in a number of events and activities throughout the Scouting year. Some are community related. One is the Popcorn fundraiser. Some are educational, and others are just for fun! We strive for 100% Scout participation at these events so please mark your calendars early, and make plans to attend. Parent and Leader volunteers run all events, and your help is always welcome.

- All monthly <u>Pack Meetings</u> are considered an integral part of the Scouting experience. We strongly encourage the Scouts and parents to attend with their Dens. The Pack gathers once a month to celebrate Scouting together whether it is with theme-oriented skits, songs, or games. This will also be the time when the Pack and Den leaders recognize those Scouts that have earned awards or badges of rank. Guests and siblings are always welcome to attend, but we do ask that everyone in attendance please abide by the rules and maintain control.
- The Atlanta Area Council hosts <u>Popcorn Sales</u>, and participation in this fall fundraiser is strongly encouraged.
 Once a Cub Scout's obligation to the Pack of dues (\$109) AND either \$165 in popcorn sales or opt-out for \$55 is met, all other proceeds from popcorn go directly into an account for each individual Scout. 30% of all popcorn sales goes into the Scout Account after dues and Pack obligations are met.
- The <u>Pinewood Derby</u> is strictly for FUN! The races give you a chance to show your mechanical and engineering ability. The Scouts all make a Derby car to race against all the others in the Pack. The cars start as simple blocks of wood, but with a little time and a little assistance, it is amazing what they become. Parents and siblings that want to create their own car are encouraged to do so to participate in the Outlaw and Sibling races.
- The <u>Blue and Gold Banquet</u> is an annual event and a tradition for all Scouts. This is a celebration of the birthday of Scouting. Many den leaders strive to have the boys in the den earn their rank badges by this banquet. We feel all Scouts should be there to give each other the recognition and respect they deserve.
- Many <u>Pack Summertime Activities</u> are planned each year and can include going to a Rome Braves game, a
 fishing activity, a Summer Campout, and a Pack cookout and water fight. All of these events are meant to be
 optional and fun and a good reason to get together over the summer.
- A <u>Pack Family Campout Overnight</u> is held three to four times each year.



Attachment 1 - Uniform Guide

When And How To Wear The Uniform - The Basics

The official uniforms are intended primarily for use in connection with Scouting activities. They should be worn to all unit events, and they may be worn to school, church, or any family function. The uniform may also be worn while participating in a money-earning project if approved by the local council. It may be worn when selling tickets to events such as Scouting shows that are approved by the council.

The uniform may not be worn by either Scouts or adult leaders when:

- Involved in any distinctly political endeavor
- Appearing on the stage professionally without special approval from the National Executive Board
- Taking part in parades, except when rendering service as a Scout or leader or when officially representing the Boy Scouts of America
- Participating in demonstrations not authorized by the Boy Scouts of America

All uniforms, badges, and insignia of the Boy Scouts of America may be used only by members of the Boy Scouts of America who are registered and in good standing. No alteration of or addition to the official uniform, badges, or insignia, or the rules and regulations covering the wearing of the uniform, may be authorized by anyone except the National Executive Board. Badges awarded by organizations other than the Boy Scouts of America may not be worn on the official uniform. (Exceptions: Historic Trails Award and religious emblems) (See Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America and the Insignia Guide for additional information on uniform rules and regulations.)

The Pack has some flexibility in deciding what comprises the "official" Cub Scout uniform within the Pack. Pack 353 defines the official uniform as follows:

- Uniform shirt with insignia (see following two pages for specifics)
- · Rank-appropriate neckerchief
- Rank-appropriate neckerchief slide
- Rank-appropriate belt and belt buckle
- Rank-appropriate hat
- Substantial footwear boots or close-toed shoes
- Optional: official Cub Scout pants and socks

The Atlanta Area Council Scout Shop can provide lots of help and everything needed to outfit new Scouts. The Scout Shop is located near the intersection of I-75 and 285. The address is 1800 Circle 75 Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339. They can be reached at 770-988-9912. Further information can be found at http://www.atlantabsa.org.



Tiger / Wolf / Bear Uniform Guide

Tiger Cub, Wolf Cub Scout, and Bear Cub Scout Uniform Inspection Sheet

Official Placement of Insignia

Conduct the uniform inspection with common sense; the basic rule is neatness.

Right Sleeve

Wear the U.S. flag, den numeral, and Centennial Quality Unit Award (if earned) as shown. Only the most recently earned Centennial Quality Unit Award may be worn. Notes

Left Sleeve

- Wear the council shoulder emblem and pack numeral as shown.
- The veteran unit insignia bar (25, 50, 55, or 60 years), if worn, is centered and touching the council shoulder emblem (above) and unit numeral (below).
- Denner cord or assistant denner cord is worn over left shoulder.

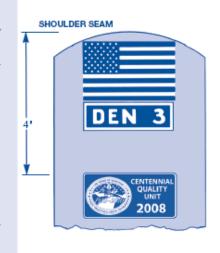
Notes

Right Pocket.

- Temporary insignia are not necessary in uniform inspection, but if worn, must be centered on the pocket, or hung from the button.
- Progress Toward Ranks (with thong and beads) is fastened to the button under the right pocket flap with the flap rebuttoned.
- The National Summertime Award is pinned centered on the right pocket flap.
- The Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award is worn on the right pocket flap. Each successive time the award is earned, a wolf track pin may be added to the flap. Notes

Left Pocket.

- Cub Scouts wear badges of rank as shown: Bobcat, Tiger Cub, Wolf, and Bear.
- Gold Arrow Points are worn beneath the pocket and below the badge for which they were earned.
- Silver Arrow Points are worn below the Gold Arrow Points in double rows.
- Wear medals just above the pocket seam, and service stars centered just above medals or knots, or 3/8 inch above seam if no medals are worn.
- _ Gold background disks are worn with service stars for Cub Scouting service, including Tiger Cub service.
- Not more than five medals may be worn.
- Wearing sequence for medals or knots is at the wearer's discretion.
- The only knots worn by Cub Scouts are the religious emblem knot and a lifesaving or meritorious award knot.
- The World Crest is worn centered between the left shoulder seam and the top of the left pocket. Notes





RIGHT SLEEVE

NATIONAL

LEFT SLEEVE



RIGHT POCKET



LEFT POCKET



Webelos Uniform Guide

Webelos Scout Uniform Inspection Sheet

Official Placement of Insignia

Conduct the uniform inspection with common sense; the basic rule is neatness.

Right Sleeve

- Wear the U.S. flag, den numeral, and Centennial Quality Unit Award (if earned) as shown. Only the most recently earned Centennial Quality Unit Award may be worn.
- Webelos Scouts may wear the den emblem in place of the den numeral.
- If the pack elects, Webelos Scouts may wear the Webelos colors. Wear the Webelos colors immediately below and touching the U.S. flag if no den numeral is worn.
- If the den numeral is worn, wear colors below and touching the numeral (as shown).
- Wear activity badges on the colors if this option is elected.

Left Sleeve

- Wear the council shoulder emblem and pack numeral as shown. The veteran unit bar (25, 50, 55, or 60 years), if worn, is centered and touching the council shoulder emblem (above) and unit
- numeral (below). The denner cord or assistant denner cord is worn over the left shoulder.

Right Pocket

- Temporary insignia are not necessary in uniform inspection, but if worn, the insignia must be centered on the pocket, or hung from
- The compass points emblem is positioned under the right pocket button, and the flap is buttoned to keep it in place.
- A metal compass point may be pinned to the emblem for each four activity badges earned subsequently until three compass points have
- The National Summertime Award is pinned centered on the right
- pocket flap. The Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award is worn on the right pocket flap. Each successive time the award is earned, a wolf track pin may be added
- The recruiter strip is worn centered below the right pocket. Notes

Left Pocket

- Webelos Scouts have the option of wearing the oval-shaped Webelos badge by itself on the tan shirt only; or the diamond-shaped Webelos emblem along with other rank badges on either the tan or navy blue shirt; or if the Tiger Cub emblem was earned, the Webelos diamondshaped emblem may be worn on either the tan or navy blue shirt by itself
- and centered on the left pocket.

 The Arrow of Light Award is worn centered below the pocket of the tan shirt or centered at the top of the pocket flap of the navy blue or tan shirt.
- Wear medals just above the pocket seam. Wear service stars centered just above the medals or knots, or
- Gold background disks are worn with service stars for Cub Scouting service, including Tiger Cub service.

 Not more than five medals may be worn.

 Wearing sequence for medals or knots is at the wearer's discretion.

- The only knots worn by Cub Scouts are the religious emblem knot and a lifesaving or meritorious award knot
- The World Crest is worn centered between the left shoulder seam and the top of the left pocket, as shown.
- Official Boy Scout Uniform Option Webelos Scouts electing this option wear blue shoulder loops on the
- epaulets, Webelos neckerchief, and Webelos cap. The navy blue belt is worn with and will fit only the Webelos buckle. Academics and Sports belt loops will fit only on the navy blue belt.
- Badge placement is the same as for the navy blue uniform.

Total Insignia Score (transfer to other side)

OPTIONS FOR RIGHT SLEEVE



WITH DEN NUMERAL





WITH DEN EMBLEM







OR TAN SHIRT





RIGHT POCKET

NATIONAL SUMMERTIME AWARD PIN







LEFT POCKET, (TAN SHIRT)



Useful Websites

BSA Youth Protection Training http://www.scouting.org/Training/youthprotection.aspx

Pack 353 Website www.pack353.net

District Website <u>www.mountainlakedistrict.com</u>

Atlanta Area Council Website www.atlantabsa.com
BSA National Website www.scouting.org

Useful Websites for Leaders

Den Leader Resources (meeting plans, ideas for fun, new leader guides, etc.): http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/CubScouts/Leaders/DenLeaderResources.aspx

Baloo's Bugle (a large newsletter with lots of discussion about activities, games, arts and crafts, and ways to have fun with Scouting):

http://usscouts.org/bbugle.asp

MacScouter (home of US Scouts and full of Scouting ideas and reference material) http://macscouter.com/

Scouter Mom (another great reference source):

http://scoutermom.com/

