

Bobcat Rank Requirements

The first rank that EVERY boy MUST earn when entering the Cub Scouting Program is the Bobcat rank.

To earn the Bobcat rank the new Cub Scout must do the following:

1. Learn and say the CUB SCOUT PROMISE and complete the Honesty Character Connection.
 - a. Know: Discuss these questions with your family. What is a promise? What does it mean to "keep your word?" What does honesty mean? What does it mean to "do your best?"
 - b. Commit: Discuss these questions with your family. Why is a promise important? Why is it important for people to trust you when you give your word? When might it be difficult to keep your word? List examples.
 - c. Practice: Discuss with family members why it is important to be trustworthy and honest and how can you do your best to be honest when you are doing the activities in Cub Scouting.

"I(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. "

2. Say the LAW OF THE PACK. Tell what it means.

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

3. Tell what WEBELOS means
"WE'LL BE LOYal Scouts "

4. Show the CUB SCOUT SIGN. Tell what it means.
 - a. MAKE THE SIGN WITH YOUR RIGHT HAND.
 - b. AND WITH YOUR ARM HELD STRAIGHT UP.

The two fingers stand for two parts of the Promise -"to help other people" and "to obey".

They look like a wolf's ears; this means you are ready to listen to Akela. Give the Cub Scout sign when you say the Cub Scout Promise or the Law of the Pack.



5. Show the CUB SCOUT HANDSHAKE. Tell what it means.

The Cub handshake means that you "HELP" and that you "OBEY" the Law of the Pack.



6. Say the CUB SCOUT MOTTO. A motto is a guiding principle.

"Do Your Best"

7. Give the CUB SCOUT SALUTE. Tell what it means.

A salute is a way to show respect. We salute the flag to show respect to our country.

For the Cub Scout salute, use your right hand. Hold your fingers as you do for the Cub Scout sign. Keep the two straight fingers together. Touch the tips of those fingers to your cap. If you are not wearing a cap, touch your right eyebrow.



8. With your parent or guardian, complete the exercises in the booklet, How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse.

