

Cub Scout Pack 333

Rowan District - Central NC Council



2010-2011 Parent Guide

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Welcome to Cub Scout Pack 333!

By becoming a parent of a Cub Scout, you are setting your son out on the grand adventure of Scouting. This is a tremendously important and rewarding endeavor that you will be able to share with him. The mission of Cub Scout Pack 333 is to prepare young boys to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of Scouting.

Scouts can:

- Camp, hike, learn about the outdoors
- Build a car and enter the pinewood derby
- Participate in charity events and volunteer work
- Fish, swim, shoot BB guns, bow and arrows and so much more...

All while:

- Developing character, good habits, respect for others and citizenship
- Spending time with family
- Encouraging sportsmanship and fitness

The Ten Purposes of Cub Scouting

1. Character Development
2. Spiritual Growth
3. Good Citizenship
4. Sportsmanship and Fitness
5. Family Understanding
6. Respectful Relationships
7. Personal Achievement
8. Friendly Service
9. Fun and Adventure
10. Preparation for Boy Scouts



All structured around family participation and core values:

Citizenship, Compassion, Cooperation, Courage, Faith, Health and fitness, Honesty, Perseverance, Positive attitude, Resourcefulness, Respect, and Responsibility.

In Pack 333, We strive to help build young men with strong leadership abilities, good character traits, and values through various activities. We expose them to hands on activities such as camping, construction (Pinewood Derby), academics and sports (beltloops and pins) and much more. There are so many way in which scouting builds self-esteem and confidence. These boys are the future leaders of society and we feel scouting provides an excellent opportunity to build character that will help them achieve their goals. We are building tomorrow's future today.

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Cub Scout Frequently Asked Questions

What is Scouting?

Scouting is a program of fun with a purpose that teaches boys how to work with others, make new friends, do their best, and appreciate the outdoors. Since 1910, Scouting has offered high quality youth development experiences to our nation's young people. Besides building your son's confidence and responsibility while having a great time, Scouting gives you the opportunity to watch him grow and mature into an active member of the community.

What do Scouts Learn?

Members learn a great deal including teamwork, responsibility, a service ethic, decision-making, and leadership. For example, an independent survey of Scouting member's parents in Minnesota by the Wilder Research Center showed that without exception, all parents identified at least one ability or attitude that had improved since joining Scouting. The most commonly reported areas of personal growth were: ability to work as a team member (83%); willingness to carry out responsibilities (68%); willingness to help others (67%); ability to make good decisions (65%). These results reveal that aside from the fun and excitement of Scout activities, Scouting helps boys learn skills and ideals they can apply to everyday life.

How are Scouts organized?

It is a year-round family program designed for boys who are in the first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age). Each Scout is a part of a den of about 6-8 boys, which usually meet three times a month for about 1 hour. Each month, all the dens within a neighboring community come together as a pack. At these monthly pack meetings the whole family is invited and boys are recognized for their individual and group achievements as well as take part in games, songs, activities and skits. Leaders are volunteers and almost all parents are involved in some way to make the program work.

What can I expect to get out of having a Scout in the family?

As much as or more than what you put in. Scouting helps strengthen your relationship with your son and gives you a chance to spend real quality time having fun and learning together.

Can my son join if he has a disability or special need?

Absolutely. The Cub Scout's motto is "Do Your Best" which means each boy is encouraged to perform to the best of his ability.

What does it cost?

Membership with the Boy Scouts of America is a prorated fee of \$16.00 per year (\$21 first time fee registers a scout through December of the next year), but all boys can join regardless of their ability to pay through scholarships. Pack 333 has a \$10 yearly membership fee in addition of the National fee. The award winning "Boy's Life" magazine is a recommended option at only \$12.00 for twelve issues. Other expenses include uniforms, books (other than rank books), camp and some activity fees. In order to help offset the costs of activities and events, each scout is required to participate in the yearly popcorn fundraiser.

CUB SCOUT PACK 333 SCOUTING PRACTICES

Use of Knives by Cub Scouts

To earn the privilege to use a pocketknife at Cub Scout functions, Wolf, Bear and Webelos scouts must earn the Whittling Chip card. Cub Scouts are not permitted to use knives without adult supervision. Leaders and parents may work closely with Cub Scouts when using knives. BSA guidelines provide that the knife must be a folding knife with a blade shorter than the palm of the boy's hand. The Webelos Den Leader may authorize additional privileges especially on Boy Scout outings. Note: Cub Scouts-Webelos Scouts are not permitted to use hand axes/axes. Webelos may be closely supervised to use bow saws.

Appropriate Behavior

The goal of the adult leaders is to have a safe, fun program for the Scouts. Adult leaders have the right to intervene in any situation that they deem unsafe or inappropriate. If a Scout is unwilling to abide by the requirements of the adult leaders in charge, as a last resort, leaders may require a parent to come and remove the Scout. Each scout and their parents will be required to agree to and sign the Pack Code of Conduct and to follow rules established by the leadership of Pack 333 and BSA policies.

Appropriate Attire

Closed toe shoes are required at all Scouting functions, including Den and Pack meetings. Skate Shoes are not permitted due to safety reasons. Clothing should be neat, non-revealing, and not include graphics/messages that promote tobacco, alcohol or other subjects deemed inappropriate by the pack's leadership. "Class B" uniform (Pack T-Shirt/Cub Scout pants/shorts) should be worn to all regular den meetings, and "Class A" (Official Cub Scout Uniform Shirt and Cub Scout pants/shorts) should be worn to all Pack Meetings. Class A can be worn to any meeting if desired and is recommended for Webelos Scouts.

Entertainment Electronics

Pack 333 does not allow the use of "entertainment" electronics (Walkman, TV's, tape players, CD's, electronic games, headphones, etc.) at scout meetings, scout sponsored functions, or Scout outings, including camping trips. This goes for the leaders as well. Electronic devices such as two-way radios, cellular phones, and radios used to check weather reports or other devices that are used to ensure the safety of the scouts, parents, or leaders, are allowed.

Camping Guidelines

Cub Scouts must be accompanied by at least one parent or guardian, but his entire family is encouraged to attend. The Boy Scouts of America has established the guidelines for its member's participation in camping activities. When staying in tents, no youth will stay in the tent of an adult other than his or her parent or guardian. Webelos may tent with other Webelos.

Scout Drop-Off/Pick-Up

No curbside drop offs; sign in and sign out with your scout. A Scout will not be allowed to participate in any activities if he is not properly signed in and the parent/guardian will be contacted immediately to return to sign-in their scout. Tiger Cubs are required to have an Adult Partner present at every meeting/Scout function.

CUB SCOUT PACK 333 CODE OF CONDUCT



1. Follow the Law of the Pack and the Cub Scout Promise.
 - a. Respect your leaders and fellow Scouts.
 - b. When the Signs go up, you are listening for Akela's instructions.
 - c. Practice the Principals of Leave No Trace (In Scout Handbook).
 - d. Follow the Outdoor Code (In Scout Handbook).
 - e. Agree to follow the rules and regulations established by the Pack and Den Leaders.
 - f. No physical contact/rough-housing, or running.
 - g. No loud, abusive, vulgar language/sounds.
 - h. No form of hazing, ridicule, or inappropriate teasing.
 - i. Respect the property of others including church, campgrounds, and pack property.
 - j. No throwing rocks or anything smaller than the Cubmaster unless authorized by CM.
 - k. Use or Possession of Alcohol or illegal drugs is prohibited at all Scouting functions.
 - l. The use of Tobacco products by any Scout is prohibited.
 - m. Political and commercialism positions/endorsements/promotions should be avoided.
2. Closed toe shoes are required at all functions (Cubs, parents, siblings, and leaders).
Skate Shoes are not allowed at Pack/Den meetings.
3. No Scouts Are To Be Outside of the Fellowship Hall Without Adult Leader Supervision.
4. Knives, Bow Saws, matches, etc must be used under close adult supervision. Cub Scouts may not carry these. Axes/Hand Axes are not allowed in Cub Scouting.
5. Personal firearms are NOT permitted during any function. Firearms will be provided by the District/Council at District/Council functions only. Unless directly involved with these functions, no firearm, weapon, archery equipment may be possessed/used during Scouting functions/outings.
6. Only Family Camping is permitted. (Adult is responsible for their scout and tents only with their scout) Webelos may tent with other Webelos.
7. No flames in or near tents; no candles at camp (exception: Leader sponsored ceremony)
8. Fuel stoves/lanterns etc if used are to be operated under trained direct adult supervision.
Fuels may not be stored in tents nor near campfires/flames.
9. Campfires are for warmth, fellowship and cooking. Playing and misconduct with fires and sticks may lead to dismissal from activity.
10. Attendance:
 - a. Be on time: Den meetings start at 7:00PM. Pick up no later than 8:15PM.
 - b. No curbside drop offs; sign in and sign out with your scout. This Is Mandatory!
 - c. Adult partner required at all times with Tiger Cubs.
 - d. Let the leader know if you cannot attend to help with buying supply quantities.
 - e. Leaders should be early for all functions/activities.
 - f. Permission slips are needed if your scout is not going home with his adult partner.
 - g. Participate in service project(s).
 - h. Participate in fund-raising and pay dues and turn in popcorn sales on time.
 - i. Help with 50% participation in all activities to achieve National Den Quality Award.
 - j. All Meetings/functions must have at least two adults present. If a leader is absent, the adult partner of a scout may be asked to help with a function so to avoid canceling a function.
11. Notify your scouts den leader when achievements are completed.
12. Leaders are to have access to a First Aid Kit at all functions.
13. Having Fun is required at all times.
14. The 12 points of the Boy Scout Law are to be followed and observed at all times.

If not stated above, it is found in the Guide to Safe Scouting:
www.scouting.org/pubs/gss/toc.html

NEW MEMBER UNIFORM SHEET

Required Uniform Patches:

- Central North Carolina Council shoulder strip
- Unit Numbers 333
- Den Number (Optional, check with Den Leader)
- World Crest
- American Flag comes already sewn on.

NOTE: Badge Magic can be purchased at the scout Shop - No Sewing Required!

Patch placement guide is inside the back handbook cover and on cubpack333.org

Cub Scouts Tiger (1st) , Wolf (2nd), Bear (3rd)

- Cub Scout Blue Shirt (long/short sleeve). Roomy Short sleeve is best.
- Cub Scout belt and buckle.
- Cub Scout neckerchief slide.
- Tiger, Wolf or Bear neckerchief.
- Tiger, Wolf or Bear hat.
- Socks: Blue/Gold crew socks (Wolf, Bear, Webelos)
- Tigers: Orange and Blue
- Official Cub Scout Shorts or Official Cub Scout trousers

OPTIONAL

- Patch Vest

Webelos I 4th Grade

- Shirt - Former Cub Scouts can use Blue or Kaki
- Webelos Belt /Buckle
- Webelos Neckerchief
- Webelos Neckerchief slide
- Webelos colors (shoulder pin, optional)

Webelos II 5th Grade

- Webelos Belt /Buckle
- Webelos Neckerchief
- Webelos Neckerchief slide
- Shoulder Loops (Navy Blue) **
- Boy Scout Shirt**
- Boy Scout Shorts or olive equivalent
- Boy Scout Trousers or olive equivalent

**Webelos II Scouts should use the kaki Boy Scout shirt, Webelos I Scouts can continue using the blue Cub Scout shirt until graduating into Webelos II.

Webelos Belt buckle can be purchased separately for those moving up.

Pack Activity Shirt can be worn at certain activities/functions. See your Den Leader for more information on ordering/cost of an activity shirt.

Scout Shops (call ahead for hours and directions)

Cabarrus Scout Shop

Clover Leaf Plaza, Concord/Kannapolis 704-720-9264

Take I-85 South, take Kannapolis Exit at Kannapolis/Concord Exits then take right at the light go straight into the plaza, Shop is to the right.

The Thread Shed

133 S. Main St.

Salisbury, NC 28144

704-633-1159

Fax 704-633-1162

You Can Also Shop Online

BSA Catalog: <http://www.scoutstuff.org>

scoutstuff.org



WHAT TO BRING ON A CUB SCOUT FAMILY CAMPOUT

COMFORT

- Tent, Stakes, Hammer
- Tarp/Ground Cloth
- Sleeping Bags & Camp Pillows
- Sheet & blanket
- Air Mattresses or Foam Pads
- Flashlights, Extra Batteries
- Camp Lantern, Fuel, & Mantels

COOKING / DINING

- Eating Utensils (i.e. Disposable Knives, Forks, Spoons, Plates, Cups, etc.)
- Cooking Utensils (i.e. Pots, Pans, Spoons, Spatulas, Knives, Coffee Pot, etc.)
- Charcoal Briquettes (Matchlite)
- Groceries (per meal plan)
- Waterproof Matches
- Camp Grill and/or Camp Stove
- Firewood (Varies With Camping Location)
- Ice Chest (with Ice or Blue Ice)
- Dish Washing Detergent (Small Biodegradable)
- Pot Scrubber Brush
- Water Jugs and/or Canteen
- Paper Towels
- Dish Towels
- Trash Bags
- Fire Extinguisher ABC
- Campfire Bucket

HYGIENE / SAFETY / CLOTHING

- First Aid Kit
- Poncho
- Insect / Mosquito Repellent
- Sunscreen (SPF 30+)
- Toothbrush / Toothpaste
- Toilet Paper (and Other Personal Toiletries)
- Bath Soap & Shampoo
- Flip Flops (Swimming/Bathing Only)
- Sunglasses
- Hiking Shoes, Tennis Shoes (Waterproof prior to trip)
- Extra Clothing (per # days camping)
- Towels
- Sweatshirt and/or Jacket
- Hat

ACCESSORIES

- Camera & Film
- Books (Tree / Bird Identification or Other)
- Binoculars
- Rope or Nylon Cord
- Folding Chairs
- Tent Broom
- Games
- Notebook and Pen
- Cub Scout Handbooks
- Bow Saw (Webelos only) (Optional)

NOTES

- Leave Your Pets, Radios, TV's, And Electronic Games At Home.

Camping in Cub Scouting is done with the Family. Cubs tent with family members only, and must be registered with the Pack at a Council/District event. Webelos may tent with other Webelos. Cub Scouts do not carry knives, hatchets, matches, lighters etc. They may use knives and bow saws (Webelos only) under close adult supervision.

Practice Leave No Trace (7 guidelines and principals found in each scout handbook).