

# Cub Scouts

# Parent Information Guide



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# Why Join Cub Scouting?

- Your time is valuable. More than ever, families struggle to find time to spend together. Cub Scouting helps support your family by providing ready-made opportunities for you to do things together. Cub Scouting exists to support your family and help enrich family time together.
- Your child works with a group their own age. Through this sense of belonging, they build self-esteem and learn to get along with others. As a parent, be assured, the group your child joins will teach 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 teaches them to "do your best" and to be helpful
  to others. Scouting teaches family values and works to
  strengthen your relationship with your child. Scouting activities
  bring added value to the time you have with your child.

But Most of All...

# Cub Scouting is FUN!



# **How Does Cub Scouting Work?**

The Cub Scout program takes place at two levels. Your child will be a part of a den, a small group of boys or girls in the same grade. Your child is also part of a Pack. Dens from all grade levels form a Cub Scout pack. Once a month all dens, and their families, meet together at the pack meeting where Scouts show off new skills and projects they worked on and are recognized for their accomplishments.

#### **CUB SCOUT DENS**



#### **PACK MEETINGS**

The Cub Scout Pack is made up of all the dens, which typically meet monthly at the Pack meeting, led by the Cubmaster. This is the climax of the monthly den meetings and activities. There are games, skits, songs, ceremonies presenting of awards earned during that month. This is where families, not just parents, but siblings too, can see the achievement of their Cub Scout.

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

The Pack, including families, also participates in other special events throughout the year, including:

**Pinewood Derby** - Cub Scouts build and race a model car!

Blue and Gold Banquet - Cub Scouting's annual birthday party!

Camping - Both Overnight and Day Events Offered!

**Community Service Projects** - Food drives, conservation projects and more.

**Field Trips and Special Outings** - Great ways to learn more about the people and places in your community!



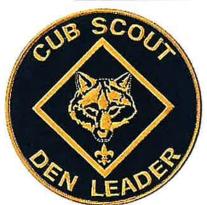
## How Can You Help?

Successful dens and packs also rely on parent participation. Both the den and pack operate through volunteer leadership. Scouting volunteers exemplify Scouting's principle of service to others. By volunteering, you are also giving your child the gift of your time.

What could be more valuable?







#### Here are some ways you could volunteer:

**Den Leader.** Leads the den at den and Pack meetings. Participates in the monthly pack committee meeting.

**Cubmaster.** Works closely with the Pack committee to plan and carry out the annual program. Emcees the monthly Pack meeting.

The Pack Committee. Meets monthly to plan and carry out the annual program. Pack committee members fill a variety of positions to support the annual program of the pack. Some Pack committee positions include: Committee chair, Advancement chair, Treasurer, Secretary, and Pack Trainer. All parents are invited to participate on the Pack committee as parent helpers.

**Parent Helpers.** Parent helpers assist with short-term projects in the den or Pack. This might be coordinating pack events, fundraisers, service projects, field trips or outings.

Time With Your Child = Time Well Spent!

#### What does Cub Scouting Cost?

Scouting is a very affordable activity for your COASTAL GEORGIA COU family, especially when you consider the cost of a year-round Scouting program compared to a 2 or 3 month sporting activity. Scouting is a good investment in your child's future.



Registration Fee—\$90/year This includes Annual Scouting Membership and Accident Insurance Fees.

Scout Life Magazine—\$15+tax/year Order online so your Scout can receive this monthly magazine. www.scoutlife.org/ subscribe-now Use coupon code "DIRPAS".

Pack Dues: Pack dues cover the annual operating expenses of a successful Cub Scout program. The amount varies by pack. Many packs cover ALL fees with successful Council fundraisers of Popcorn & Camp Cards and have NO Pack dues.

Uniforms: May be purchased in any of our 3 locations— Savannah, Brunswick or Sylvania. Check out our website https://coastalgeorgiabsa.org/scout-shop/

Books: Youth handbooks range from \$13 to \$24 and can be purchased at either of our Scout Shops.

Other Costs: There are minimal fees for participation in activities at the Pack, District or Council level. You only pay these fees if you choose to participate.

You can eliminate out of pocket costs by participating in our Popcorn Sale in the Fall and Camp Card Sale in the Spring!



**Fund your Adventures by** participating in **TWO Fundraisers!** 



More information will be provided at an upcoming Pack meeting.

### Safeguarding Youth Training & More

Scouting America places the greatest importance on providing the most secure environment possible for its youth members. To maintain such an environment, the BSA has developed numerous procedural and leadership selection policies, and provides parents and leaders with numerous online and print resources for the Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, and Venturing programs.

Safeguarding Youth Training (SYT) is required for all registered volunteers. Parents are strongly encouraged to take Safeguarding Youth Training to become familiar with policies, procedures, and guidelines. To take the training online, go to My.Scouting.org and establish an account.

Safeguarding Youth Training (SYT) must be taken EVERY

**YEAR.** If a volunteer's Safeguarding Youth Training record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be registered. For more information about Youth Protection, please see Scouting America's Youth Protection website at https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/.

#### **Every Scout Deserves A Trained Leader**

Scouting offers leadership training for every step of the journey. Joining, orientation, role-based, program and supplemental training courses can be taken in person or online in the BSA Learn Center at My.Scouting.org.



Check out scouting.org/training for a full listing of training available to Scouts, leaders and parents.

# **Cub Scout Events**





SEPTEMBER 27, 2025









#### CUBTOBERFEST OCTOBER 11, 2025



New to Scouting? Don't like the crowds? This Event is for YOU

#### HAUNTED TRAIL

**OCTOBER 17-19, 2025** 





#### Register EARLY!

This Event Sells Out EVERY YEAR!



# **Cub Scout Events**



Get Your Scout Skills Ready!

#### SPRING ADVENTURES

Black Creek School of Wizardry April 24-26, 2026







## BLIZZARD

Community Responders February 20-22, 2026







