

Your Child, Cub Scouting & You

As a parent, you want your child to grow up to be a person of worth, a self-reliant, dependable, and caring individual. Scouting has these same goals in mind for them. The hope for Scouting is to build well rounded citizens with values in conservation, community and patriotism, family, religion, and leadership.

Since 1910, Cub Scouts has been a year-round family-oriented part of the Boy Scouts of America program designed for boys who are in the 1st through 5th grade. Beginning fall 2018, the BSA welcomed girls to join Cub Scouts (See “What to Expect When Girls Join Cub Scouts” for more details).

Imagine a program that can help your child learn, grow and mature while they are having fun. There are activities in which you and your child can participate together with the rest of the family and get to know each other even better. This is exactly what Scouting is. Every activity gives you and your child the chance to discover and share together.

What does your child learn in Scouting? Well, it is a lot more than crafts, games and outdoor skills. The Cub Scout program is carefully designed to teach your child skills and values he and she will use throughout their life. Here are just a few examples of the things your child will gain through Cub Scouting.

- Belonging to a positive and fun group of boys and girls and their caring adults.
- New social skills that will help them get along with others.
- Develop skills of research, planning, and organizing.
- A greater understanding of other people, cultures, and the world around them.
- A system of values called the Scout Law and a promise called the Scout Oath that will help them grow and make good decisions.
- A concern of community and caring for people through helping others and “doing a good turn daily”.
- Develop leadership skills through self-confidence and strong self-esteem.
- Foster a deeper relationship with their family and his family’s spiritual foundation.

With all the negative influences in today’s society, Scouting provides your child with a positive peer group and a program that is fun and adventurous and helps him to “be prepared” to shape their own future. The Scouting program works towards self-reliance and self-confidence, but the program starts in Cub Scouting as a family activity. Parents and kids work together through all the activities. In Pack 135, parents are required to be present at all activities and are encouraged to participate with the kids. The great take away from Cub Scouting is the quality time spent with your son or daughter having fun, experiencing adventures, and learning together.

Cub Scouting is Fun... Family Fun... Fun with a purpose!