Congratulations on becoming a Scouting Family!

Welcome to Scouting. Your adventure starts now.

1. Complete a youth application.
2. Know your Scoutmaster and the best way to contact him or her.
3. Ask your Scoutmaster about the uniform and handbook.
4. Ask how you can get involved at your meetings. Scouting is a family activity; we want you to grow with your son.
5. Attend the Cuboree; your first outdoor adventure opportunity.

Take these first steps to ensure that your family gets the most out of Scouting.

Start building yours today.

Share the Scouting Adventure with Your Friends!
Share the memories you make with your Scout on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram using #ScoutSHARE.

Facebook.com/DanBeardCouncil
Instagram.com/DanBeardCouncil
Twitter.com/DanBeardCouncil

Parent Orientation Guide

Council Information
Scout Achievement Center
10078 Reading Road
Cincinnati, OH 45241
p: (513) 577-7700
f: (513) 577-7738
www.danbeard.org
www.scouting.org

Scout Store
10078 Reading Road
Cincinnati, OH 45241
p: (513) 961-0500

Hours of Operation
Monday 8:30 am — 6:00 pm
Tuesday 8:30 am — 6:00 pm
Wednesday 8:30 am — 7:00 pm
Thursday 8:30 am — 6:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am — 6:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm
Sunday Closed

Camp Information
Cub World
6035 Price Road
Loveland, OH 45140
Upper Craig
6113 Price Road
Loveland, OH 45140
Camp Friedlander
581 Ibold Road
Loveland, OH 45140
Camp Michaels
3486 Hathaway Rd.
Union, KY 41091

Join Cub Scouts and Be Prepared for Fun

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How Cub Scouting Works

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Your boy is a member of a DEN, consisting of 5-8 boys, similar in age, who typically meets once a week with a den leader, usually a parent. All of the dens make up the PACK. The PACK meets once a month with the Cubmaster, with all the other DENS in attendance. At the PACK meeting you will have fun activities and have the opportunity to engage with other DENS. Your PACK is part of the DAN BEARD COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, which serves over 30,000 youth in Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky.

Kindergarten Aged Boys
Lion Den
Boys sign up with an adult partner (an adult is required)
Usually meets twice a month
Works on achievements & activities in the Lion Adventure Book

1st grade boys
Tiger Den
Boys sign up with an adult partner (an adult is required)
Usually meet weekly or bi-monthly and go on monthly field trips
Achieves awards through the Tiger Handbook

2nd & 3rd Grade Boys
Wolf & Bear Dens
Bi-monthly meetings; led by the den leader and assistant den leaders
Den meetings focus on learning new skills using games, crafts, and songs

4th and 5th Grade Boys
Webelos & Arrow of Light Den
Prepares boys for Boy Scouts (program for boys 12-18 years old) Weekly meetings; led by the den leader and assistant den leaders
Den meetings include advancements, games, skits, learning new skills and outdoor activities such as camping

Special Opportunities and Resources for YOU

Resources
GoCubScouts.com – Website for new and interested parents looking for more information about joining the Scout program.

Dan Beard Council website – offers information about all of the local activities, events, trainings, etc. www.danbeard.org

Cub Scout Resource Guide – A planning guide that assists Den leaders with weekly Den Meeting Plans and Resources. www.danbeard.org/CubLeaderResources

www.scouting.org
National BSA website. Also find age appropriate activities and guidelines for various Scouting activities at: www.scouting.org/ScoutSource/BoyScouts/Age-AppropriateGuidelines.aspx

Scout Achievement Center
Your Scouting home and council headquarters is a great place to hold Pack events, home of the Scout Store, meeting rooms for trainings, community chartered organizations and Scout partners.

YOUR PACK INFORMATION

Pack # ____________________________
Den Leader ____________________________
Phone ____________________________
Email ____________________________
Meeting Times ____________________________

Boys’ Life Magazine
Boys’ Life is full of wholesome, educational, entertaining stories and valuable information.

Scout Tour
Scouts partner with many local organizations to offer you special Scout discounts and unique behind-the-scenes opportunities such as the Reds Scout Overnight! See more online.

The Cub Scout Sign

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Get Involved and Get Trained

Training
Scouting is a volunteer-led program and the Council has the training and tools to help you along the way. Training will give you fresh ideas, a place to talk to other Scout parents, and the knowledge and information you need to carry out the Scouting program. Below are the required trainings needed to be a Cub Leader. All of them are available online at my.scouting.org or face to face at designated trainings throughout the year such as the Scouting U training event.

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*How to complete youth protection training? Visit My.Scouting.org. Click “create an account”. Click the home icon and locate Youth Protection Training in the My Training Center. You may be prompted to insert a BSA membership ID number. This number is issued after you have completed Youth Protection training and after you have submitted an adult application. Follow the prompts to complete the training. After turning in your completed Adult Application (with Youth Protection Certificate attached) you will be issued an ID Number. Please enter this ID Number in your account information on My.Scouting.org. This will link your completed trainings to your account.

Leader Specific Training: You can find short online training modules in the Training Center that help teach you aspects of your leader role. View the “How To” tutorial online at www.danbeard.org/training to learn more.

Events and Activities to Look Forward to

Pinewood Derby
Cub Scouts design and build small wooden cars to race on an inclined track. This is a great opportunity for boys to work with their parents or other adults in the Pack to construct a racer and compete in the race.

Blue and Gold
This is a big Pack event, usually full of food, skits and awards!
All Scouts join in the celebration and the fun.

Day and Summer Camp
Day Camp: An activity for all Cub Scouts which includes crafts, games, nature, sports, songs & skits. Camp usually lasts 1 week.
Family Camp: A weekend family campout in June, July or August.
Resident Camp: A week long camping adventure filled with activities at Cub World. Stay in the huge castle, pioneer fort, mountain man village or miner’s camp.

Scout Tour
The Scouts partner with your favorite organizations in town. By joining the Cub Scouts, you will receive special discounts and behind-the-scenes access that is only available to Scouts and their families! Such as:
- Cincinnati Reds Overnight
- Newport Aquarium Scout Days
- Perfect North Ski Days
- Dayton Dragon Scout Games
- Cincinnati Cyclones Scout Nights
**What’s Next**

Two great things you should consider to help jumpstart the fun and the adventure are:
1) Attending the Cuboree or Spook-O-Ree and 2) Getting involved as a parent - Check out the details below!

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### Cuboree

An overnight camping experience designed for Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelo Scouts and their families. Boys will get a taste of Cub Scouts through a family overnight filled with games, crafts, campfires, sports and the opportunity to spend quality time with their family. Parents and new leaders also have an opportunity to receive basic training and learn more about Scouting. Visit danbeard.org/Cuboree to learn the nearest locations of the various Cuboree events.

### Spook-O-Ree

A humongous Halloween-themed event that is fun and safe for the entire family. Over 5,000 people take part in an event packed with activities including hayrides, storytelling, the haunted castle, midway games, the haunted trail, costumes, snacks and more!

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### Fund Your Scouting Adventure

One benefit to Cub Scouting is our goal to keep Scouting affordable for you while offering the highest quality programs and events. The Dan Beard Council provides much of the funds to help reduce the cost of Scouting, and selling Popcorn and/or Camp Cards allows your family to participate in Scouting with minimal additional costs. Your son will gain confidence and the value of earning his own way, while having the opportunity to win cool prizes. Plus, in the process you’ll help to fund your son’s Scout adventures and support local Scouting efforts.

#### Popcorn

The popcorn sale is the largest local fundraiser and is a fun way for you and your unit to raise funds to support Scout activities all year long. Delicious popcorn and special prizes throughout the sale help to make it fun for everyone. Over 70% of the money raised directly supports your Pack, Dan Beard Council, and local Scout programs! The sale takes place in September and October.

#### Camp Cards

The DBC Camp Card is essentially like a coupon card that entitles the user to several discounts at area businesses. The “Camp Card” is designed to help Scouts earn their way to Scout activities such as summer camp, a high adventure base, Jamboree, or day camp. Units participating in the program earn 50% commission ($5.00) for each $10 card they sell! The cards are typically distributed in March and the sale runs through May.

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### Choose a Level of Involvement

Scouting is a family activity that is proven to develop your son’s character. By volunteering with the Boy Scouts of America, you are benefiting your family by spending time with your son and your local community. Build your adventure together and watch as your Scout thrives!

“Kids like to see their parents lead (whether it is in Scouts, soccer, or another activity). It makes them feel proud and special. It highlights our commitment to service. I still recall my dad being PTA president and running the school carnival! As a leader you get to know your kids friends and they get to know you. This pays dividends as the kids grow older and they think they know everything!”  - Dr. David Waterhouse, Cubmaster