

Welcome to Cub Pack 134



New Cub Scout Parent Orientation Packet

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Folsom, CA 95630**



Dear Parents of Potential Cub Scouts,

Pack 134 invites you and your child to participate in the Cub Scout program as a member of our Pack. Scouting has been weaving lifetime values into fun and educational activities designed to assist parents in strengthening character, developing good citizenship, enhancing physical fitness and building self-esteem, and ethical values in their sons.

Cub Scouting is fun! But it is fun with a purpose. All the Cub Scout programs in which your child, you, and your family will participate in are designed to teach your child something he will use throughout his life. Scouting provides children with a positive peer group and a program that is fun and adventurous and helps him to “be prepared” to shape his own future. Scouting is a family-oriented organization. All members of our scouts’ families are always invited and encouraged to attend events and support scouting.

Here is a brief summary of how Pack 134’s Scouting program works. The following pages of this New Scout Parent Orientation Packet contain more detailed information about Pack 134 and the Cub Scout program.

Organizational Structure: We operate as a pack chartered under the Folsom Rotary Club and under the guidance of the Golden Empire Council (American River District). The pack is made of age/grade specific groups called Dens. Dens have leaders and meet once or twice a month while the Pack as a whole meets monthly, usually the fourth Tuesday of the month. Den meetings focus on projects and achievements toward a specific rank. The Pack meetings center on one of the twelve (12) character traits (trustworthy, helpful, etc.) and include an awards ceremony for the boys who have completed achievements since the last meeting. Some meetings are given over to events like the Pinewood Derby, Blue and Gold Dinner, and Pack Graduation.

Calendar: Packs run on a school-year calendar, but the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) runs on a calendar-year schedule as far as membership and renewal of our charter. Recruiting happens in August and September when the school year starts.

Uniforms: The Class A uniform consists of the Cub Scout shirt with emblems, kerchief, slide, and belt. Caps are optional, as well as the Scout pants or Scout shorts. Cubs typically wear blue jeans or khakis with their Class A Uniform shirt. They are expected to wear their Class A uniform to Den and Pack meetings as well as Pack events, unless otherwise specified. The uniform can be purchased at the River City Scout Shop in Sacramento or online at www.scoutstuff.org. There is a Class A uniform Checklist at www.pack134.org/downloads that can be helpful in the purchase of the Class A uniform. At Graduation in May, the pack provides the handbook, neckerchief, and slide for the next rank in Scouting. There are times where the boys can wear their Class B uniform, which is the Pack 134 T-Shirt. The T-Shirt can be purchased through the Pack. It is encouraged for parents and siblings to order a pack T-shirt to show support and wear at pack/den activities.

Family Involvement: Scouting is really a joint adventure with boys and their parents. We need parents to participate in making the pack run smoothly. We **depend on parents** helping with all of our functions. There are lots of ways to help out. When you register your child, we expect as parents you will be committing your time and energy to help as well. In this packet, there is a summary of Pack leadership

and volunteer positions. We expect all families to volunteer to lead or co-lead at least one pack activity throughout the year or hold a Pack leadership or volunteer position.

Camps: One of the highlights of Scouting is attending camp. There are two camp opportunities every year for Cub Scouts—Day Camp and Resident Camp. Information for both will be given via pack and den meetings, as well as the Pack 134 website once dates are finalized. There are deadlines for applications and deposits which we want to meet in order to make sure all those wanting a space can have one. We also hold an annual family Pack campout, and most Dens hold at least one campout per year.

Training: We like to have our leaders receive some training so they feel comfortable in whatever roles they take on. “This is Scouting” and “Leader Specific Training” is available for adults who volunteer to be leaders. Youth Protection Training course must be completed by **ALL** Pack 134 den leaders and committee members. It would help to have all adults of Pack 134 take the Youth protection training as part of their orientation to scouting and working with young boys of the pack. This is a no-cost online training available through the BSA organization. Go to the Pack 134’s website (www.pack134.org) and click on scouting.org then the “Youth Protection” link on the home page.

Cost: For new members the membership cost is \$227.00 which covers Sept 2020 to Dec 2021. Below is a breakdown of Pack 134 new membership cost. Some dens may have den dues to help cover the costs of materials for crafts/activities used at the den meetings. Any den dues are in addition to the Pack 134 membership and would be collected by the den leader.

Boy Scouts of America Registration (16 months)	\$ 113.00
Boy’s Life Magazine Subscription	\$ 16.00
Pack 134 Dues (goes towards awards, pack supplies, activities, etc.)	\$ 63.00
Friends of Scouting (per family) **This is tax deductible	\$ 35.00
Total Amount	\$227.00

Fundraising: Pack 134 earns money through membership (pack dues) and fundraising activities, such as popcorn sales, Christmas wreath sales, and car washes.

2020/2021 Pack 134 Budget

Current Balances

Pack checking Account	10,235.00
Pack PayPal Account	1,415.51
Individual Scout Accounts	<u>- 1,900.00</u>
Total Pack Resources	9,750.51

Projected Operating costs

Facility Rental	\$950.00
Hornet Deposit	\$500.00
Pinewood Derby Raceway Café	\$200.00
Blue & Gold Dinner	\$1,100.00
Graduation Picnic	\$300.00
Summer Camp Deposit	\$650.00
Committee Meeting Printing/Supplies	\$100.00
Pack Meeting Supplies/Activities	\$400.00
PackMaster/Web Expenses	\$100.00
Awards	\$3,500.00
Misc. Expenses	\$550.00
T-Shirts/Patches	\$350.00
Total	\$8,700.00

Projected Income

Registration – Dues	\$3,000.00
Blue and Gold Ticket Sales	\$1,100.00
Fundraising (Pop Corn – Garage Sales)	\$2,500.00
Program Revenue (e.g., Pinewood Derby concessions)	\$600.00
Reimbursements for Pack Advance Deposits	\$1,150.00
T-Shirts/Patch sales	\$350.00
Total	\$8,700.00

2019/2020 Pack 134 Planned Scout Activity Costs

Hornet Overnight	\$75.00
Pampanito Overnight	\$45.00
Summer Camp	
Scout	\$220.00
Adult	\$220.00
Day Camp	
Webelo/Tiger	\$80.00
Wolf/Bear	\$70.00
Adult	\$11.00

Thank you for considering getting your son involved with Scouting. Scouting is fun with a purpose. We think it is a wonderful program and hope we can make it so for your son.

Cammie Woodward
Cubmaster

Brandy Roberts
Treasurer

Gary Slossberg
Committee Chair

Lindsay Olson
Awards & Advancement Coordinator

Carter Wells
Membership

Toby Magarian
Folsom Rotary Club
Charter Organization Representative

Key Leadership Positions



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How Cub Scouting Works

Scouting is Family Oriented

- Activities are intended for the whole family.
- You work with your child on their various award requirements.
- Many skills learned are family oriented.
- Your child is a member of a Cub Scout Den
- The Den meets once or twice a month.
- The den is led by a Den Leader.
- The den leader is usually assisted by an Assistant Den Leader and/or a Den Chief (an older Boy Scout).
- Den meetings consist of working on scouting adventures (achievements), playing games, going on scouting related outings, doing crafts and projects and having fun!

Your child is a member of a Cub Scout Pack

- A pack meets once a month – all Cub Scout families attend.
- The Cubmaster leads the monthly pack meeting.
- Pack meetings consist of scouting achievements, special visitors, activities, games, skits, songs, ceremonies and presentations of awards that the children have earned that month.

A Pack committee of parent volunteers runs the pack

- The Pack committee is made up of the Den Leaders and assistants, Cubmaster and assistants, Chartered Organization Representative, pack position volunteers and other interested parents.
- The committee meets once a month to discuss and plan Pack activities,
- The Pack committee performs record keeping, manages pack finances, orders badges, maintains pack equipment, helps train leaders, and recognizes leaders.

The Pack is owned by a Chartering Organization

- Charter organizations include schools, parent associations, religious organizations, service clubs, and other groups interested in youth.
- The chartered organization selects a Chartered Organization Representative who serves as a liaison between the pack and the organization.

Basics of the Cub Scouting Program

Cub Scout Motto: "Do Your Best"



(For 1st grade boys)

Tiger Cubs is a one-year program for first-grade boys. Each boy participates with a parent (or another adult family member) in family-oriented activities. These include things from family camping to preparing for emergencies.

The time you and your son spend in Tiger Cubs is meant to be fun, a chance to get to know one another better, and do things with your family as well as other members of the Tiger Cub Den. Tiger Cubs and their adult partners also participate in the Cub Scout Pack Meetings and Activities.



(For 2nd – 5th grade boys)

Cub Scouting is a home and neighborhood-centered program designed to support family life for boys in second through fifth grades. Each Cub Scout learns to respect his home, country, God, and other people. The program also helps boys this age to:

- > Learn new physical skills through sports, crafts, and games.
- > Learn how to get along with others through group activities.
- > Develop new mental skills such as writing and calculating.
- > Develop personal independence.

In a society where your son is often taught that winning is everything, Cub Scouting teaches him to "do his best" and be helpful to others as expressed in the Cub Scout Promise.

The Advancement Plan

The responsibility of a child's advancement in Cub Scouting lies with the family and not with the Pack. Most advancement requirements are done at den meetings, but some are done at home with the family.

The Cub Scout Advancement program is an excellent way for you to spend quality time with your child. For each special skill or activity your scout completes with you, you can sign off one of the requirements he needs to earn his next award. As a result, the awards he earns increase his knowledge, skills, self-esteem and confidence. The rank awards he earns are listed below.



BOBCAT (First badge earned by ALL NEW Cub Scouts)

All boys (1st – 5th grades) earn the Bobcat badge first by learning the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, handshake, salute, sign, motto, and meaning of "Webelos." After receiving the Bobcat badge, the scout works on requirements based on his grade or age.



TIGER CUB (First Graders)

A Cub Scout, who is in the first grade or is age 7, works to complete 6 adventures and 1 elective adventure to earn the Tiger badge. The adventures include Backyard Jungle, Games Tigers Play, My Family's Faith, Team Tiger, Tiger Bites, and Tigers in the Wild.



WOLF (Second Graders)

A Cub Scout, who has completed the first grade or is age 8, works to complete 6 adventures and 1 elective adventure to earn the Wolf badge. Wolf adventures include Call of the Wild, Council Fire, Footsteps of Faith, Howling at the Moon, Paws on the Path, and Running With the Pack.



BEAR (Third Graders)

A Cub Scout, who has completed the third grade or is age 9, works to complete six (6) adventure to earn the Bear badge. Adventures include Bear Claws, Bear Necessities, Fellowship of Faith, Fur, Feathers, and Ferns, Grin and Bear It, and Paws for Action.



WEBELOS (Fourth & Fifth Graders)

When a Cub Scout has completed the third grade or is age 10, he transfers to a Webelos den, led by an adult Webelos leader. He works on five (5) adventures and two (2) elective adventures for the Webelos badge. These include Cast Iron Chef, Duty to God and You, First Responder, Stronger, Faster, Higher, and Webelos Walkabout.

ARROW OF LIGHT



When a scout earns the Arrow of Light (the highest award in Cub Scouting) or reaches 11 years of age, he may graduate from Cub Scouting to Boy Scouting at a graduation ceremony that honors all of their hard work. We aim to graduate every Cub Scout into Boy Scouting.

Programs for the Future

There is more in store for you son when he graduates from Cub Scouting during fifth grade.



Boy Scouts

- A troop and patrol-centered program for boys in sixth grade through high school designed to build and foster leadership and life skills.
- Program builds self-esteem, self-respect, and self-reliance through a blend of outdoor experiences, educational and instructional skills, recognition, value building, and fun.
- Among the activities offered are more than 120 hobby and career skills through the merit badge program, year-round camping and outside activities, recognition, leadership training, service projects, and special events.
- Boys and adult leaders meet weekly as a troop, monthly for an overnight or weekend campout, and for other outdoor activities.



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- A youth development program for young men and women, 14 through 20 years old, that provides positive experiences to help young people to mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.
- Based on unique and dynamic relationships between youth and adult leaders and organizations.
- A program of exciting and meaningful activities that helps youth pursue their special interests, grow, develop leadership skills, and become good citizens.
- Provides opportunities for skill development in areas of high adventure, sports, arts and hobbies, youth ministries, and Sea Scouting.

Pack Leadership Structure

The Pack leaders administer the Cub Scout program. Scouting operates through volunteer leadership. Volunteer unit leaders are an example of Scouting's principle of service to others. Naturally, parents are a primary source of leaders in the Scouting program. You volunteer not only to serve Scouting, but also to serve your child and their friends, and to have the chance to be a positive influence on the youth in your community.

Being a leader is fun, challenging, and rewarding. Leaders find that their experiences help them to become better parents. The following are some of the many dividends that will enrich your life as you dedicate your time, talent, and enthusiasm to Scouting:

- Fun and fellowship with other families sharing your pride in the scouts' accomplishments.
- The privilege of helping to enrich and strengthen families.
- A chance to help children learn good citizenship and to help shape them into adults who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others.
- The opportunity to help make a difference in the lives of children as they grow strong in mind and body.
- A code to live by which will set a worthwhile example for both children and adults.

Positions in the pack are held by adults like you, who work directly with the scouts and organize the actual programs they participate in.

The following pages of this packet contain important information about the Pack leadership and volunteer positions. Please review and note which ones you would be interested in on the "How Can I Help" section in this packet.

Pack Positions

Den Leader(s)

Leads the den at den meetings, attends the monthly Pack meeting, and attends the Pack Committee Meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting).

Cubmaster

Helps plan and carry out the pack program with the help of the Pack Committee. Attends monthly Pack Meeting, Pack Committee Meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting), and District Roundtable Meeting.

Committee Chair

Presides at all Pack Committee Meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting). Helps recruit adult leaders. Also attends the Pack Meeting and District Roundtable Meetings.

Secretary

Keeps informed of all Cub Scouting literature, materials, records, and forms to help leaders function effectively. Handles correspondence for the pack and keeps notes of all pack leader's meetings.

Treasurer

Keeps all financial records for the pack. Attends Pack meetings and Pack Committee meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting).

Membership Chair

Prepares reregistration papers for pack and charter organization. Registers all new Scouts and renews membership for returning Scouts. Administrator for PackMaster software.

Advancement Chair

Maintains advancement records. Orders and obtains all badges and insignia. Attends Pack meetings and Pack Committee meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting).

Pack Webmaster

Maintains the pack's website.

Parent Helpers

Each year the pack undertakes several short-term projects. Parents and other volunteers are needed for these activities. These duties are of short duration and still enable all families to assist with pack responsibilities.

> Fundraising Coordinator

Gathers and presents potential fundraising activities to committee. Works with fundraising activity coordinators to ensure the fundraising activities are successful. Attend Pack Committee meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting) to give updates on fundraising activities.

> Scout Closet Coordinator

Gathers and organizes gently used scout clothing, hats, and neckerchiefs to be shared with pack members who are in need of items. Presents Scout Closet items at Pack meetings.

> Popcorn "Kernel" Coordinator – Site Sales

Attends council popcorn training for the pack. Organizes and coordinates popcorn site sales for the pack.

- **Scouting for Food Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates the pack's Scouting for Food activity.
- **Laser Tag Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates the pack's annual Laser Tag activity.
- **Pampanito Overnight Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates the pack's Pampanito submarine overnight activity.
- **Hornet Overnight Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates the pack's Hornet aircraft carrier overnight activity.
- **Day Camp Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates summer Day Camp for the pack.
- **Summer Camp Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates summer camp for the pack.
- **Pinewood Derby Concessions Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates concession stand for pack's Pinewood Derby.
- **Car Wash Coordinator**
Organizes and coordinates Pack's car wash fundraisers.

What You Should Do Now For 2020 – 2021

- Consider being a Cub Scout Assistant Den leader for your son's Cub Scout Den or a member of the Pack Committee. Your son's experience in Cub Scouting depends on your involvement. Review the Den Leader's Responsibility Information if interested in being a Cub Scout Assistant.
- Fill out the "How Can I Help?" volunteer form, the Parent's Responsibility form, and the Pack 134 T-shirt Order form if your Cub Scout needs another Pack 134 T-shirt.
- Scouting is more fun with friends! Every child can be a Cub Scout at any time. Talk with other parents and kids and have them join your child's Cub Scout Pack to make Cub Scouting even more fun.
- Review the Cub Scout Rank Handbook and begin doing the activities in it with your child.
- Review this year's Pack 134 Activity Calendar to find out what kind of activities the Cub Scout Pack has planned for the next few months, and put them on your calendar so you can participate.

How can I help?

Adult Volunteer Positions

The following positions all need to be filled for our pack to have a successful year. Please discuss with the Committee Chair how you can assist Pack 134 by filling one of these positions for this year. **Each parent must be willing to assist for Pack 134's program to work.**

Cubmaster/Assistant Cub Master

Webmaster

Den Leader/Assistant Den Leader

Scout Closet Coordinator

Committee Chair

Scouting for Food Coordinator

Pack Secretary

Laser Tag Coordinator

Pack Treasurer

Pampanito Overnight Coordinator

Pack Advancement Chair

Hornet Overnight Coordinator

Membership Chair

Summer Day Camp Coordinator

Fundraising Chair

Summer Camp Coordinator

Popcorn "Kernel" Coordinator – Site Sales

Pinewood Derby Concessions Coordinator

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Cub Scout Parent's Responsibility

- Read Returning Scout Parent Orientation Packet.
- Attend and assist at Den meetings as needed.
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- Ensure your scout, scout siblings, and scout guests are accompanied by at least one adult at all Pack meetings or Pack activities.
- Your scout must wear Cub Scout uniform at all Den and Pack meetings and be in compliance with the BSA and Pack uniform standards. Uniform inspections will be conducted yearly.

- You are encouraged to participate and attend as many scouting activities as possible.
- Volunteer for at least one Pack activity or hold a Pack leadership or volunteer position.
- Work with your scout on achievements and electives.
- Participate in pack Fundraisers.

Den Leader's Responsibility

- Read New Cub Scout Orientation Packet.
- Attend Pack Committee Meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting)
- Attend monthly Pack Meeting
- Hold den meetings at least once a month.
- Take Youth Protection Training online course (available on Pack and Council website).
- Take Fast Start Training online course (available on Council website).
- Take "This is Scouting" Training online course (available on Council website).
- Take Cub Scout Leader Specific Training online or class (class schedule and online course is available on Council website).
- Participate and attend as many scouting activities as possible.
- Work with your scout and their parents on rank achievements and electives.
- Participate in pack Fundraisers.

Pack Committee Responsibility

- Read New Cub Scout Orientation Packet.
- Read Pack 134 Pack Leadership & Parent Helper Roles and Responsibilities for pack position.
- Attend Pack Committee Meetings (Pack Leaders' & Parents' Meeting)
- Attend as many monthly Pack Meetings as possible
- Take Youth Protection Training online course (available on Pack and Council website).
- Take Fast Start Training online course (available on Council website).
- Take "This is Scouting" Training online course (available on Council website).
- Participate and attend as many scouting activities as possible.
- Participate in pack Fundraisers.

Pack 134 T-Shirt Order Form

(Please complete this form and turn in with the BSA Application)

CUB SCOUT NAME: _____

Den# _____

Circle One: Tiger Wolf Bear Webelos

Cub Scout T-Shirt (choose one size only)

Size

- ☐ Youth - Small
- ☐ Youth - Medium
- ☐ Youth - Large
- ☐ Adult - Small

Additional T-Shirts Purchases for Family Members

(Do Not Include the Cub Scout's T-Shirt Below)

Size	Qty	Price	Amount (Qty * Price)	Name(s)
Youth - Small		\$10.00		
Youth - Medium		\$10.00		
Youth - Large		\$10.00		
Adult - Small		\$10.00		
Adult - Medium		\$10.00		
Adult - Large		\$10.00		
Adult - XLarge		\$11.00		
Adult - XXLARGE		\$11.00		
Adult - 3XLARGE		\$11.00		
Adult - 4XLARGE		\$11.00		
Total				

For the additional T-shirts, Cash or Checks made payable to PACK 134

Folsom Cub Scout Pack 134 Scouting Uniform Checklist

Bring this checklist to the Scout Shop, and they will help outfit your son in his Class A uniform.

Name: _____

Council: Golden Empire Council **Pack # 134** **Den #** _____

Cub Scouts: (circle Rank)
 Tiger Wolf Bear Webelos

Tiger/Wolf/Bear

<u>Required</u>	<u>Optional</u>
Shirt – Blue	Cub Scout Cap
Council Shoulder Patch	Trousers/Shorts
Pack Numerals or Strip	Socks
Den Numeral Strip	
Cub Scout Rank Neckerchief	
Neckerchief Slide	
Belt	
Cub Scout Rank Handbook	

Webelos

<u>Required</u>	<u>Optional</u>
Shirt – Khaki	Webelos Cap
Council Shoulder Patch	Trousers/Shorts
Pack Numerals or Strip	Socks
Den Numeral Strip	
Cub Scout Rank Neckerchief	
Neckerchief slide	
Belt	
Webelos Handbook	

Leaders/Committee

<u>Required</u>	<u>Optional</u>
Shirt – Khaki	Trousers/Shorts
Council Shoulder Patch	Belt
Pack Numerals or Strip	Socks
Den Numeral Strip	Cub Scout Rank Neckerchief
	Neckerchief slide

Place	Location	Hours
River City Scout Shop	251 Commerce Circle,	M,Tu,Th, F 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Online ordering	Sacramento, CA 95815	Wed 9:00 AM – 6:30 PM
www.scoutstuff.org	916-649-1800	Sat 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Folsom Cub Scout Pack 134 Text Communication Form

The Pack now send out reminders via text messages through the Pack Master software. If you would like to receive reminder text messages, please fill out the information below. Please keep in mind your carrier's text message fees apply.

----- Return to Committee Chair or Membership Chair -----

Mobile Phone #1

Name: _____

Number (10 digits) _____

Carrier _____

Mobile Phone #2

Name: _____

Number (10 digits) _____

Carrier _____