

Cub Scout Retention Pledge



| BEST PRACTICE | PACK COMMITMENT | COUNCIL COMMITMENT | RESULTS |
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| New Parent Orientation Pack "Crazy meeting" within 7 days of School Night for Scouting. | Our 1st meeting after the SNFS will be a Pack "Crazy" meeting and New Parent Orientation. A fun exciting program will be offered for the boys during the New Parent Orientation. | We will provide a www.theAquaPod.com water launcher for your use at your Pack "Crazy" meeting. Other Crazy meeting ideas are available. | |
| Youth Protection and New Leader Fast Start Training | Our Den Leaders and Committee members will complete YP/Fast Start Training prior to conducting their first den meeting (excludes "Crazy and New Den Orientation Meeting). | We will offer online Fast Start Training and other support as needed. If necessary, our team will conduct additional training sessions to meet your needs. | |
| 1st Den Meeting / New Den Orientation Meeting Within 7 Days of Pack "Crazy Meeting" | New dens will hold either a New Den/Parent Orientation Meeting or their first Den Meeting within 7 days of the Pack "Crazy meeting". | We will provide a "Crazy Meeting" agenda, New Parent Orientation Meeting agenda, and New Den Leader Guide. | |
| Clear and Timely Communications with Parents | Our pack will produce a monthly newsletter and Facebook page (or other social media). | We will provide newsletter and Facebook examples. | |
| Frequent Communications with Parents | We will use my.scouting.org to download our roster of parent contact emails and phone #'s. We will encourage Den Leaders to communicate by phone, email, or text with this resource. | We will provide your pack roster via myscouting.org and train leaders how to use email, text, and phone-tree communications. | |
| Annual Program Plan and Budget | We will develop a calendar for the 2015-2016 program year and distribute at "crazy meeting", PLUS develop an annual pack budget prior to our Popcorn Kickoff in late September. | We will conduct a Fall Program Preview session, council/district calendar; provide unit budget spreadsheet planner, plus commissioner support upon request. | |
| Bobcat Badge Earned | All new Cubs will earn their Bobcat Badge by the October Pack meeting (or 2nd Pack meeting). Bobcat will be awarded in a fun and meaningful ceremony. The Oath and Law will be recited at each den and pack mtg during the year. | We will make available Bobcat Badges in our Scout Shop, online advancement support, printed forms, and a guide for a fun Bobcat ceremonies with Parents. | |
| Outdoor Pack Activity | We will conduct an outdoor Pack activity or participate in a district outdoor activity by October. | We will provide volunteer support to plan your outdoor activity, a "Trail to Bobcat" event, or Build an Adventure event. Plus Spookoree! | |

Pack # _____ Leader Name _____ Signature _____ E-mail _____

District SNFS Chair _____ District Commissioner _____ District Executive _____