



Yates Baptist Church
2819 Chapel Hill Rd., Durham
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m

CUB SCOUT MOTTO
Do Your Best

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Welcome! We are excited about Pack 12 and glad
you are interested in Cub Scouts!
Please contact us if you have questions.

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Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best to
do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times;
to keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake and morally straight.

Scout Law

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind,
obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

Outdoor Code

As an American, I will do my best to –
Be clean in my outdoor manners;
Be careful with fire;
Be considerate in the outdoors;
Be conservation minded.

Why Cub Scouts?

- Fun and fellowship with other families, sharing your pride in the girls' and boys' accomplishments.
- An organization where youth enjoy the outdoors, learn life skills and good citizenship, and grow into teens and adults who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others.
- Cub Scout youth interact with good role models: caring adults and also young men and women in Scouts BSA (ages 11-18).

Den and Pack Meetings:

Most of the meetings will be devoted to fun and advancement in grade-level Dens. The second Tuesday of each month will be reserved as a Pack Meeting for all the Dens to meet in one large group.

Parents are required to attend with the Kindergarten and 1st grade cubs, and strongly encouraged to stay with scouts in the older grades. Cub scouting is a family activity!

All levels of cub scouts and their families are invited to special pack activities such as the Pinewood Derby car race and camping trips. There also may be den-level special activities.

The den names are Lion (K), Tiger (1st), Wolf (2), Bear (3rd), Webelos (4th) and Arrow of Light (5th). The cubs at each level have age-appropriate activities with a goal of earning their rank badge by the end of the school year.

Safety

A main goal for our pack is to have fun and experience Scouting in a safe, supportive, cooperative and happy environment. Youth safety is a priority of Scouts BSA.

Adult training includes mandatory [Youth Protection Training](#) for all leaders and recommended for all adults in the pack. You will need to create a user name and password to do the training. Other available training modules are (for example) Hazardous Weather and Safe Swim Defense.

Two-Deep Leadership: Any interaction of adults with youth requires the presence of at least two adults. At least one of these must be a parent or other adult who is a registered member of the scouts.

Covid/Flu etc. Masking Recommendations: We will hold activities outdoors whenever possible. Cubs and adults may choose to wear masks.

A few more details...

Cub Scouting relies on parent participation to run successful programs. Each grade-level group requires a den leader. At least one female leader is required for each den with girls. Other positions include Cubmaster (Tracey Dissel); Committee Chair (Karen Hassett); Yates Representative (Brian Nunnally Jr.); an advancement chair (to help with records and awards); treasurer; webmaster; and pack photographer.

Siblings: Are always welcome to attend all activities with their parent. We have some activities available for younger siblings. Depending on the sibling's age, they may be able to participate in Den activities if the Den Leader agrees and there are sufficient supplies.

Camping and Other Activities: "Cub Scout camping is family camping." This means that during our Pack 12 camping (and other outdoor events), we camp in family units. All Scouts, parents, and siblings are expected to follow the BSA "Guide to Safe Scouting" rules during indoor and outdoor activities.

Have Fun! Always Remember, Scouting is "fun with a purpose." When planning activities, we all need to remember the "KISKIF" principle: Keep It Simple, Keep it Fun!. If you and your Scout are having fun, GREAT! If there are ever issues which prevent you and your Scout from having a good time, please discuss it with the Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Den Leader and/or address it to the Committee Chair.

How to Join Cub Scout Pack 12

1. We welcome diversity! Cub Scouts do not promote any specific religion. Scouts and adults may join without regard to race, country of origin, religion, or sexual orientation. We do honor our Duty to God but as stated previously do not require a specific religion.

2. **New Cub Scouts can join:** By having their parent/guardian fill out an application, and paying \$171. This covers the National and council BSA registration, a \$25 joining fee and insurance. You also have the option of ordering Scout's Life Magazine for \$15. Use this [online registration website](#) . We do not currently charge a pack fee. Some activities like the Pinewood Derby will be free to members (we will do some pack fundraising), and other activities like camping are typically \$20 per person. Scholarships are available in case of financial hardship. Returning Cubs cost \$146 per year.

3. **Adults are encouraged to join:** By filling out an application on the [online registration website](#) and by doing the BSA on-line [Youth Protection Training](#) and by paying \$72. This includes yearly insurance, a background check and the national yearly dues. You must join if you are a den leader. The pack will pay for ½ of the registration for adults who have a leader position. Pack 12 will also pay ½ of all (completed) training fees.

4. **Uniform** (also see the next page): Scouts will need a blue uniform shirt and several patches (world crest, council patch, numerals 1 and 2). The total cost is about \$50. We recommend you buy the shirt a little large so it will last for a couple of years! Fourth and Fifth graders may instead buy the tan scout shirt which is also used in boy scouts. Go to www.scoutshop.org and order on-line or you can go to the Occoneechee Scout Shop located at 3231 Atlantic Avenue, Raleigh NC.

Pack 12 Cub Scout Uniform Details

**Shirt: numerals;
World emblem;
Council Patch**

Tan Shirt. **Optional** instead of the blue shirt **for 4th and 5th grade.** Also used in the Scouts BSA program (6th grade and up)



The Blue Shirt:
1st through 5th grade

Pack Numerals:
you need a 1 and a 2

This is the World Crest Emblem



This is our standard Council Shoulder Patch.
Placement Guide:
You may use any Shoulder patch that says Occoneechee Council.

Patch

Sew on the World Emblem, the numerals 1 and 2, and the council patch.



How to buy the uniform:

- 1) Go to the Occoneechee Council Scout Store in Raleigh. Open M-F 9:30 to 5:30 and Sat. 10-4.
3231 Atlantic Ave, Raleigh, NC 27604
- 2) Go to <https://www.scoutshop.org> and order on-line.
Note: the patches are in the drop-down menu "accessories" and then "insignias."

Pack 12 Calendar 2023/2024

(Meetings are at Yates Baptist Church. Some of these dates may change; parents will be notified if/when that happens!).

September:

Tuesday, Sept. 5: Den mtgs; planning for Open Houses and B.W. Wells Campout (6:30 pm)

Sat., Sept. 9: Pack Hike (9:30-11:30 am) Little River Regional Park

Tues., Sept. 12: Welcome Back Party/ and First Open House for new members (6:30 pm)

Sat., Sept 16: Popcorn Sales Begin (? Pack 12 on-line only?)

Tues., Sept 19: Den Meetings (6:30 pm)

Fri., Sept 22: Recruiting at Hope Valley

Sat. Sept. 23 8 am-12 pm Adult Training (den leaders, etc.) at Westminster Presbyterian Church

Fri. Sept 29- Sun. Oct. 1 Pack 12 **Fall Campout at B.W. Wells Campground**

October:

Tues., Oct. 3: Pack Meeting and **Open House** with S'mores for new members (6:30 pm)

Fri., Oct. 7: Adult Planning Mtg (7-8 pm) (K. Hassett's house)

Tues., Oct. 10: Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

Sat., Oct. 4: Pack Hike (9:30-11:30 am) location TBD

Tues., Oct. 17: Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

Fri., Oct 20-Sat., Oct. 21: BALOO Adult Leader **OUTDOOR ORIENTATION** at Westminster

Sat., Oct. 21: Popcorn Sales End

Tues., Oct. 24 Halloween Party with T451/GT456.

Fri.-Sat. Oct 27-29: Occoneechee Council Spook-o-Ree at Camp Durant

November:

Tues., Nov. 7 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

Sat. Nov. 11 Scouting for Food neighborhood bag distribution

Sat., Nov. 11 Adult Planning Mtg (7-8 pm) (K. Hassett's house)

Tues., Nov. 14 Pack Meeting (6:30 pm)

Sat. Nov. 11 Scouting for Food neighborhood bag collection

Tues., Nov. 21 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

December:

Tues., Dec. 5 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

Sat., Dec. 9 Pack Hike (9:30-11:30 am) location TBD

Tues., Dec. 12 Holiday Party Pack Meeting (6:30 pm)

Sat., Dec. 16 Adult Planning Mtg (7-8 pm) (K. Hassett's house)

Tues., Dec. 19 Den mtgs (6:30 pm) Distribute Pinewood Derby Car Kits

January:

Tues., Jan. 2 Pinewood Derby Workshop #1 (6:30 pm)

Tues., Jan. 9 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

Sat., Jan. 13 Pack Hike (9:30-11:30 am) location TBD

Tues., Jan. 16 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

Sat., Jan. 20 (7-8 pm) Adult Committee Mtg (K. Hassett's house)

Tues., Jan. 30 Optional: Pinewood Derby Workshop #2

February:

Fri., Feb. 2 Pinewood Derby Track Set-up and Car check-in (6:30-8:30 p.m.)

Sat., Feb. 3 **Pack 12 Pinewood Derby** (9-12 noon)

Tues., Feb. 6 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)

Feb. 9 and 10 snow/bad weather dates for Pinewood Derby
Sat., Feb. 10 Pack Hike (9:30-11:30 am) location TBD
Sun., Feb 11: **Scout Sunday at Yates Baptist**
Tues., Feb. 13 Pack Meeting: Valentine's Day Party (6:30 pm)
Tues., Feb. 17 (7-8 pm) Adult Committee Mtg (K. Hassett's house)
Mon., Feb. 19: Eno River District Awards Banquet
Tues., Feb. 20 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
Sat. Feb 24 Eno River District Pinewood Derby (probably 8-12 noon)

March:

Sat., March 2-Sun. March 3 Indoor Campout at Yates
Tues., March 5 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
Sat., March 9 Pack Hike (9:30-11:30 am) location TBD
Sat., March 9 (7-8 pm) Adult Committee Mtg (K. Hassett's house)
Tues., March 12: Blue and Gold Banquet; AOL graduation
Tues., March 19 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
"Scout Cards" are distributed late March

April:

Tues., April 2 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
Tues., April 9 Pack Meeting (6:30 pm)
Sat., April 13 8 am-12 pm Adult Training (den leaders, etc.) at Westminster Presbyterian Church
Tues., April 16 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
Sat., April 20 Adult Committee Mtg (K. Hassett's house)
Fri-Sun: April 26-28: Spring Cuboree at Camp Durant
Tues., April 30: Make-up Den Mtgs (6:30 pm)

May:

Tues., May 7 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
Sat., May 11 Pack Hike (9:30-11:30 am) location TBD
Sat., May 11 Adult Committee Mtg (K. Hassett's house)
Tues., May 14 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
Tues., May 21 Den mtgs (6:30 pm)
Tues., May 28: Pack 12 Graduation at Yates (6:30 pm)

June:

Thus-Sat, June 13-15 (probably): Summer Cuboree at Camp Durant

July: Sat., July 20: Eno River District Cub Summer Adventure Day
Date TBD: Yearly Planning Meeting

August: Pool Party

Cub Scout Jargon

Arrow of Light Award – Highest rank in Cub Scouting. Award patch may be worn on boy scout uniform.

BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) – an overnight training course. Every Pack campout must have one Baloo-trained leader.

Blue and Gold Banquet – a birthday dinner for Scouting held by Cub packs.

Bobcat – The first badge earned by new scouts in grades 1-5 after they learn some basic cub scout facts.

Buddy System – Each boy is assigned a “buddy” to stay with during Cub events like hiking or swimming.

Chartered Organization – The sponsoring organization of the pack (Yates Baptist).

Council – There are 272 BSA councils (administration units) in the US. Ours is the Occonechee Council which covers central NC and is made up of 4 districts. The headquarters is in Raleigh.

Crossover – A ceremony held when Arrow of Light scouts become Boy Scouts.

Cuboree – A District or Council event where Cub Scouts packs come together for one or two nights of camping and outdoor activities.

Den – A small group of same-grade Cub Scouts

Den Chief – a Scouts BSA member who volunteers to help a particular den.

District – We belong to the Eno River District, which includes Durham County.

God and Country Program – A series of age-appropriate religious classes; available for different faiths. Scouts who take this 6-week long course earn a religious award and patch for their uniform.

My.scouting.org – the url for adult training and information. Scouting.org is a companion site.

Pack – A Cub Scout unit chartered to a specific organization, consisting of several age-level Dens. We are Pack 12, chartered to Yates Baptist Church

Pinewood Derby – A Pack activity. The Cubs make model cars out of wood, and we race them on a track.

Scouter – A registered adult member in Cub Scouts (or Boy Scouts, etc).

Scouts BSA – The scouting program for girls and boys ages 11 to 18.

Scout's Life – the bimonthly Scouting magazine sent to registered Cubs.

Webelos – The 4th grade Den. The name stands for **We'll Be Loyal Scouts**.

Whittling Chip – a card that cubs (grades 3 and above) can earn after they learn how to use pocket knives safely.

Youth Protection Training – required of all registered adult scout leaders who will ensure that all adults in our program follow these policies. It is recommended that all parents take YPT.