



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 Scouting America (ages 11-18) [formerly BSA].

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 Scouting America.

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. Find YPT at: <https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/>

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 Scouting America's A "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

***[Click here for on-line registration!](#)

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 \$165. This covers the National and council BSA registration and insurance. You also have the option of ordering Scout's Life Magazine for \$15. 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 also cost \$165 per year.

3. Adults are encouraged to join: By filling out an application and by doing the BSA on-line Youth Protection Training and by paying \$91. 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
Ocooneechee 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 Ocooneechee 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 www.scoutshop.org and order on-line.
Note: the patches are in the drop-down menu "accessories" and then "insignias."

Pack 12 Calendar 2024/2025

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

August:

Sat., Aug. 3 Pool Party

Tues., Aug. 6 Popcorn Kickoff

Sat., Aug. 17 Durham Bull's Scout Night Campout

Fri., Aug. 23 Forest View Open House

Fri-Sun., Aug. 23-25 Webelos and AOL at Camp Campbell with T451 and T456

Tues., Aug. 27 Yearly Adult Planning Meeting

September:

Tues., Sept. 3: cleanup/set-up: Get ready for the open house and den meetings!

Tues., Sept. 10: Welcome Back Party/ and Open House for new members 6:30 pm

Tues., Sept 17: Den Meetings

Sun., Sept 22: Popcorn Sales Begin (? on-line only?)

Tues., Sept. 24: Den Meetings

Sat., Sept. 28: Pack Hike location TBD

October:

Tues., Oct. 1: Pack Meeting

Tues., Oct. 8: Den mtgs

Tues., Oct. 15: Den mtgs

Fri., Oct 18-Sat., Oct. 19: BALOO Adult Leader OUTDOOR ORIENTATION

Tues., Oc. 22: Adult Committee Mtg

Fri.-Sat. Oct 25-27: Occoneechee Council Spook-o-Ree

? Oct. 18-20 or 25-27 Pack Campout

Sun., Oct. 27: Popcorn Sales End

Sun., Oct. 27: Pack Hike location TBD

Tues., Oct. 29: Halloween; no mtg.

November:

Sat., Nov 2 University of Scouting (Council Adult Training Day)

Tues., Nov. 5 Den mtgs (Election Day: Special Parking!)

Tues., Nov. 12 Pack Meeting "Packsgiving!" Potluck

Tues., Nov. 19 Den mtgs

Sat., Nov. 30 Pack Hike location TBD

December:

Tues., Dec. 3 Holiday Party Pack Meeting: Draw Shapes for Pinewood Derby Cars

Tues., Dec. 10 Den Mtgs: Distribute rough-cut Pinewood Derby Cars and sandpaper!

Tues., Dec. 17 Den mtgs

Sun., Dec. 29 Pack Hike

January:

Tues., Jan. 7 Pack Meeting

Tues., Jan. 14 Den mtgs

Tues. Jan 21: Den mtgs

Sat., Jan. 26 Pack Hike location TBD

Tues., Jan. 28 Adult Committee Mtg

February:

Sat., Feb 1 “Glowing in the Dark” Camp-in in Yate’s Gym
Sun., Feb. 2 Scout Sunday
Tues., Feb. 4 Den Meetings
Fri., Feb 7 Pinewood Derby Track Set-up and Car check-in
Sat., Feb. 8 Pack 12 Pinewood Derby
Tues., Feb. 11 Pack Meeting: Valentine’s Day Party
Feb. 14 and 15 snow/bad weather dates for Pinewood Derby
Mon., Feb. 17: Eno River District Awards Banquet
Tues., Feb. 18 Den mtgs
Sat., Feb 22 Eno River District Pinewood Derby
Sun., Feb. 23 Pack Hike location TBD
Tues., Feb. 25 Adult Committee Mtg

March:

Tues., March 4 Pack Mtg
Tues., March 11: Den Mtgs
Sat., March 15 OA Webelos Day at Camp Durant
Sat.-Sun. March 22-23 Local Campout at Colony Park
Tues., March 18 Den mtgs
Tues., March 25 Adult Committee Mtg
Sat.,-Sun. March 29-30 Alternate Day for Local Campout (if bad weather 22/23)
“Scout Cards” are distributed late March

April:

Tues., April 1 No Meeting (Spring Break)
Tues., April 8 Pack Mtg Blue and Gold Banquet; AOL graduation
Tues., April 15 Den mtgs
Tues., April 22 Adult Committee Mtg m
Fri-Sun: April 25-27: Spring Cuboree at Camp Durant
Tues., April 29: Optional Make-up Den Mtgs (make appt)

May:

Tues., May 6 Den mtgs
Fri.-Sat. May 9-10 BALOO Adult Leader OUTDOOR ORIENTATION
Tues., May 14 Den mtgs
Tues., May 21 Den mtgs
Tues., May 27: Pack 12 Graduation (last regular meeting of the school year)

June:

Sat., June 14: Pack Hike Location TBD
Thus-Sat, June 19-21: Summer Cuboree at Camp Durant

July: BBQ/or Bowling/Summer Pack Activity

August: Sat., Aug. 9 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 Scouting councils (administration units) in the US. Ours is the Oconeechee 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 graduate from Cub Scouts to 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 Scouting America 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 Scouts, etc).

Scouting America – The new official name for Boy Scouts of America after 2/8/25.

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.