

Tiger Cub Scout Roundup

What is the Tiger Cub Program?

Tiger Cubs is a program sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America for boys entering 1st grade. Through the first grade year, the Tiger Cub and his adult partner will participate in two monthly den meetings and one pack function each month. According to the program designed by the Boy Scouts of America, a parent or guardian attends each meeting with their Tiger Cub. Each den meeting will be led by Tiger Cub den leaders along with one or more adult partners who may take turns assisting.

About Boy Scouts of America

Since 1910 the BSA has been weaving lifetime values into fun and educational activities. The purpose of the BSA is to provide an educational program for boys and young adults to build desirable qualities of character, to train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and to develop personal fitness. Personal fitness includes physical, mental, and emotional fitness.

What does it cost to belong?

The Pack 171 annual dues are \$35.00 for new scouts and \$45.00 for returning scouts. The fee is collected upon joining, and then collected in the fall of each year following. (For those joining now, the next collection time would be the fall of their second grade school year.)

The annual dues cover the boy's national Boy Scout registration fee, a subscription to Boy's Life (national scouting magazine), their annual handbook, recognitions/awards, and their pinewood derby car kit. The popcorn sale is the primary fund raiser for the Pack and helps provide other awards and materials for the pack that the annual dues do not cover. Those items include leadership fees, training, and den and pack activities.

Who leads?

Each den has a den leader and one or more assistant den leaders. We need parents from this group to volunteer to lead these boys. Good communication skills are an asset. Leadership fees and uniforms are provided. Training and assistance are available. If you are interested in being a positive influence in the lives these boys please let me know!

What does a meeting consist of?

The meeting consists of an opening, activity, and a closing. The opening is the pledge of allegiance and the Tiger Cub oath. The activities may range from crafts to a visit to the fire station. The Tiger Cub Handbook is used to guide you through the year.

Terms:

A den is a group of scouts at the same grade level. The Den Leader leads the den.

A pack is the entire group of Cub Scouts from grades 1-5. The Cubmaster leads the pack.

Uniform:

Tiger cub uniforms are available at the Mid-Iowa Scout Shop, 6123 Scout Trail, Des Moines, Iowa 50321. They may also be ordered at www.scoutstuff.org, or by calling 1-800-323-0732. The boys will wear the blue Cub Scout shirt with an orange neckerchief and the Tiger neckerchief slide. Belt and hat are optional.

Questions:

Please call Cubmaster Steve Palm at 986-9060 or Assistant Cubmaster Toby Moriset at 227-6380.