



**Yates Baptist Church**  
**2819 Chapel Hill Rd., Durham**  
**Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m -7:30 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 (1<sup>st</sup>), Wolf (2), Bear (3<sup>rd</sup>), Webelos (4<sup>th</sup>) and Arrow of Light (5<sup>th</sup>). 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. 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 registered female leader for activities involving girls.

Covid/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. Cub Scouts can join:** By having their parent/guardian fill out an application, and paying \$200. This covers the National and council BSA registration (about \$160), plus a pack fee, and a neckerchief. You also have the option of ordering Scout's Life Magazine. Scholarships are available in case of financial hardship.

**3. Adults are encouraged to join:** By filling out an application; and by doing the BSA on-line "Youth Protection" module; and by paying \$75. This includes yearly insurance, a background check, the national yearly dues and a subscription to "Scouting" magazine. 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:** 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.scoutstuff.org](http://www.scoutstuff.org) and order on-line or you can go to the Occonechee Scout Shop located at 3231 Atlantic Avenue, Raleigh NC

# 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 oversight 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## **PACK 12 2022-2023 Calendar**

This is subject to change: please confirm dates at [www.pack12durham.org](http://www.pack12durham.org).

Pack Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. Of each month at Yates Baptist Church from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Den Meetings are TBD.

### **Sept 2022**

Tues., 9/6: Pack 12 Interest Meeting at Yates: 6:30-7:30

Tues., 9/13: Pack Meeting!

Fri. 9/23-Sat. 9/24 Adult outdoor camping training: BALOO

Sat., 9/24: 9 am Hike at Al Buehler Trail

Tues., 9/27: Halloween Activity with T451 Westminster Pres. Church 7:30 pm

### **Oct 2022**

Sun. Oct 9: Pack 12 Adult Zoom mtg: 7 p.m.

Tues., 10/11: Pack mtg

Sat. 10/15: 9 am Hike at Sandy Creek Park

Block Party: Blessing of the Animals at Yates

Fri., 10/21 – Sun. 10/23: Council Campout Spook-o-ree at Camp Durant

Tues., 10/25: Halloween Party at Westminster Presbyterian Church with T451.

### **Nov 2022**

Sat., 11/5: University of Scouting Council Adult Training

Sun., 11/6: Adult Com. Zoom mtg 7 p.m.

Tues., 11/8: Pack Meeting: celebrating Veteran's Day

Sat-Sun 11/12-13: Pack Camping Trip?

### **Dec 2022**

Sun., 12/11: Adult Com. Zoom mtg 7 p.m.

Tues., 12/13: Pack Holiday Party and Design Ideas for Pinewood Derby: hand out cars (?)

Sat., 12/17: Hike at Eno

### **Jan 2023**

Tues., 1/3: Pack Mtg: Hand out Pinewood Derby Cars: do Rough Cut of Derby Cars

Sat., 1/7: Pinewood Work Day (with T451?)

Final PW Derby Car Prep and Check-In.

Sat., 1/21 : Pack Pinewood Derby

Sat., 1/28 Den Meetings OR Pinewood Derby Snow Date

### **Feb 2023**

TBA: Sign up for Camp Cards

Sun., Feb. 5: Scout Sunday at Yates

Tues., 2/14: Pack Valentine's Day Party

Sat., 2/25: Mawat District PW Derby

### **March 2023**

Sat., 3/4: Cub Scouts Shooting and Climbing Day at Camp Durant (near Carthage NC)

Sat., 3/11: St. Patrick's Day Hike

Fri., Sat., 3/18-19: Webelos Weekend at Order of the Arrow Pow Wow at Camp Durant, Carthage NC.

### **April 2023**

Wood Badge: Adult Advanced Training

Adult Outdoor Training (BALOO)

Tues., 4/11: Pack Mtg/Arrow of Light Ceremony

Fri.-Sat. 4/21-23: Occonechee Council Cuboree at Camp Durant

### **May 2023**

Sat.-Sun. 5/27-28: Spring Pack Campout and Graduation

Tues., 5/30: Last Pack Mtg of the year SPRING OPEN HOUSE CARNIVAL

### **June 2023**

6/15-17: 3-day Cub Scout/Parent Summer Camp at Camp Durant

To register for district or council events, go to [www.ocscouts.org](http://www.ocscouts.org) and open the calendar. Click on the event you want to attend, and then on "event link."