

Tiger Cubs

During the summer between kindergarten and first grade (or if you are starting this program in September, make sure your pack does this NEXT year!), invite the Tiger Cubs and their parents or adult partner to participate in your pack's summertime activities, such as marching in parades, going to a ball game, and having a campfire and marshmallow roast. Boys may be able to earn the *Summertime Pack Award* by participating in events.

As a den, have an outing to complete Elective 22: *Picnic Fun*, Elective 29: *Safety in the Sun*, and Elective 35: *Fun Outdoors*. (See Tiger Cub Handbook.) Have a den family picnic, use sunscreen, and play an outdoor game at the picnic. This is a great way for the Tiger Cub families to get to know one another. It is also an optimal time to recruit new Cub Scout parent volunteers. Distribute the Parent and Family Talent Survey (in resource folder on this CD) to the parents, asking them to complete and return it to you at the next meeting. It will be a useful tool for you to identify parent resources within your den.

The den leader and host adult partner should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of each den meeting and have everything well organized before the other adults and Tiger Cubs arrive.

Snacks at den meetings are optional. At the end of each meeting, you may wish to distribute a parent information letter (samples in resource folder on this CD), informing the parents of upcoming den and pack activities.

Cub Scout Promise

I, _____ name _____, promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people, and
To obey the Law of the Pack.

Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America
And to the republic for which it stands,
One nation under God, indivisible,
With liberty and justice for all.

Meeting #1 *Bobcat Badge, Tiger Cub Achievement 1: Making My Family Special (partial)*

Preparation and materials needed:

Index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise – enough for each boy and adult, a 3-ring binder for each boy, 3-hole punched copy paper or construction paper, stickers, markers

Gathering:

Snack

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Tiger Cub Motto: Search, Discover, Share

Cub Scout Sign

Cub Scout Salute

Advancement:

Bobcat badge requirements and Tiger Cub Achievement 1: *Making My Family Special*

Learn the Tiger Cub Motto: Search, Discover, Share (completed during Opening)

Learn the Cub Scout sign. (Tiger Cub Handbook, page 32) (completed during Opening)

Learn the Cub Scout salute. (page 34) (completed during Opening)

Learn the Cub Promise and complete the Honesty Character Connection (pages 29-30)

Say the Law of the Pack and tell what it means. (page 31)

Tell what Webelos means (page 32)

Show the Cub Scout handshake and tell what it means (page 33)

Say the Cub Scout motto (page 33)

Requirement 1D: With adult partner, assemble and decorate your family scrapbook

Closing:

Ask parents to do a “think of” and complete a chore with their Tiger Cub.

Clean up

Hand out parent information letter

(Include a note on the “chore” as a reminder)

Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Emblem earned.

First orange bead earned.

Meeting #2 Achievement 1: *Making My Family Special* (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements to visit a library, historical society, museum, old farm, or historical building in your community. Submit a Local Tour Permit to your council two weeks prior to your field trip. (See Resource Folder on this CD for Tour Permit.) Bring index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise. (See above.)

Gathering:

Ask Tiger Cubs to share with the den the chore they completed with their parent. First white bead earned.

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Recite Cub Scout Promise (Use index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise.)

Advancement:

Achievement 1, requirement 1G: field trip.

Closing:

Thank field trip host

Hand out parent information letter

First white and first black bead earned.

Meeting #3 Achievement 3: *Keeping Myself Healthy and Safe* (partial), Elective 28

Preparation and materials needed:

Posterboard for each boy, markers, food magazines and newspaper grocery store advertisements, index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise

Gathering:

Snack

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Recite Cub Scout Promise (Use index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise.)

Teaching basic courtesy: Have boys sign a note or card as a formal “Thank You” to field trip site from last meeting. You may want to develop a system to use for each field trip.

Advancement:

Achievement 3: *Keeping Myself Healthy and Safe*, requirements 3Fa, 3Fb, 3D, Elective 28: Have each parent and Tiger Cub plan a family fire drill. Remind them to practice it at home. Ask each family to check the batteries on their smoke detectors at home. Have each family plan what to do if the Tiger Cub ever becomes lost or separated from his family. Have each parent and Tiger Cub draw a food pyramid on a poster board. Cut out pictures of food from the food magazines or newspaper grocery ads. Boys could also draw different foods. Bring the posters to your next pack meeting for display.

Closing:

Clean up

Remind Tiger Cubs and parents to practice a family fire drill and check their smoke detector batteries at home.

Hand out parent information letter

Second orange and second white bead earned

Note: The sequence of meetings #3 and 4 may be reversed, depending on your local high school sport schedule.

Meeting #4 Achievement 3: *Keeping Myself Healthy and Safe* (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements to attend a local high school football, soccer, or volleyball game.

Remind families to bring appropriate outerwear for an outdoor game. It is helpful to have a few parents arrive at the game early to save a block of seats for your den.

Gathering:

Have parents assist in making sure your den sits together as a group

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Participate in singing *The Star Spangled Banner* at the beginning of the game. Those in uniform should use the Cub Scout Salute.

Advancement:

Achievement 3, requirement 3G: Attend a local high school football, soccer, or volleyball game. Learn the rules of the game while you are watching.

Second black bead earned.

Meeting #5 Achievement 5: *Let's Go Outdoors*, Elective 6: *Song Time*

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements for a den hike. Remind families to bring appropriate outerwear and wear appropriate shoes or boots. Plan your hike in a place where boys will be able to collect autumn leaves. Submit a Local Tour Permit to your council two weeks prior to your hike. Bring several sheets of printer paper, crayons with the wrappers removed, and the words to the songs *I've Got That Tiger Cub Spirit* and *If You're a Tiger and You Know It*. (pages 87-88 in Tiger Cub Handbook)

Gathering:

Meet at designated starting point.

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Recite the Cub Scout Promise

Advancement:

Achievement 5, requirements 5F and 5G: As you gather outdoors for the hike, watch the weather and complete the Character Connection for Faith. Requirement 5D: While on your hike, collect fallen leaves. At the end of your hike, make leaf rubbings using the leaves collected, printer paper, and crayons. Elective 6: Sing the songs: *I've Got That Tiger Cub Spirit* and *If You're a Tiger and You Know It* while hiking.

Closing:

Snack (optional)

Clean up

Hand out parent information letter

Have boys take home leaf rubbings

Third orange, white, and black beads earned.

Meeting #6 Achievement 2: *Where I Live* (partial), Achievement 4: *How I Tell It* (partial)

Preparation and materials needed:

A map of your community, American flag, index cards printed with the Pledge of Allegiance

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening:

Teach boys how to do a den flag ceremony. Have boys and adults recite the Pledge of Allegiance, using the printed index cards if necessary.

Advancement:

Requirement 2D (completed above), complete the Character Connection for Citizenship Requirement 2F: Look at the map of your community and find your home and three places you would like to go. Requirement 4F: Complete the Character Connection for Respect. Requirement 4D: Play "Tell It Like It Isn't." (page 67) Ask boys and parents to complete requirement 4F at home. (page 64)

Closing:

Clean up

Hand out parent information letter
Remind boys and parents to complete 4F at home.

Fourth and fifth white and orange beads earned.

Meeting #7 Achievement 2: *Where I Live* (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements for a field trip to the police station. Submit a Local Tour Permit to your council two weeks prior to your field trip.

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Using the American flag at the police station, recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Achievement 2, requirement 2G: Field trip to the police station. Ask someone who works there how he or she helps people in the community.

Closing:

Thank your host at the police station.

Hand out parent information letter.

Fourth black bead earned.

Meeting #8 Achievement 4: *How I Tell It* (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements for a field trip to a local newspaper office or radio or T.V. station. Submit a Local Tour Permit to your council two weeks prior to your field trip.

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Using the American flag at the newspaper office or radio or T.V. station, recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Achievement 4, requirement 4G: Find out how people at the newspaper office or radio or T.V. station communicate with others.

Closing:

Thank your host

Hand out parent information letter

Fifth black bead earned.

You have now earned the Tiger Cub Badge. It will be presented to the boys at the Blue and Gold Dinner.

For each 10 electives, a boy will earn 1 Tiger Track Bead.
On this meeting plan, you have completed 5 electives thus far.

Meeting #9 Elective 1: *How Do You Celebrate?*, Elective 2: *Making Decorations*

Preparation and materials needed:

American flag, blue and gold balloons, dowels or sticks, metal cans, gift wrap or brightly colored paper, small stones or sand

Gathering:

Collect den dues
Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Recite the Pledge of Allegiance and the Cub Scout Promise

Advancement:

Elective 1: Have each boy tell the den about a time his family celebrated something. Discuss why the Cub Scouts celebrate a Blue and Gold Dinner each year. Elective 2: Make decorations for your pack's Blue and Gold Dinner. Inflate five blue and gold balloons and attach them to balloon sticks or tape them to dowels. Cover an empty can with paper and fasten. Insert the balloons into the can, then, place small stones or sand into the can so the can does not tip over.

Closing:

Clean up
Hand out parent information letter

Meeting #10 Elective 13: *Making Change*, Elective 50: *Banking*

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements for your den to take a field trip to a bank and to use a conference room or meeting room while there. Submit a Local Tour Permit to your council two weeks prior to the field trip. Bring pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters, as shown on page 98.

Gathering:

Collect den dues
Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Using the American flag at the bank, recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Electives 13 and 50: Following a tour of the bank, use the conference room or meeting room there to learn how to count coins and make change accurately. (See page 97-98.)

Closing:

Thank host
Hand out parent information letter

Meeting #11 Elective 21: *The Show Must Go On*, Elective 47: *Reduce, Reuse, Recycle*

Preparation and materials needed:

American flag, paper lunch bags, crayons, markers, construction paper, yarn, old buttons, fabric scraps, bottle caps, etc.

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Elective 21: Make paper bag puppets.

Elective 47: Discuss what you can recycle. Perhaps decorations on your puppet could be recycled materials (old buttons, fabric scraps, etc.)

Closing:

Clean up

Hand out parent information letter

Boys take home paper bag puppets

First Tiger Track Bead earned.

Meeting #12 Elective 41: *Transportation*

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements to visit a train station, bus station, airport, or boat dock. Submit a Local Tour Permit to your council two weeks prior to your field trip.

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Using an American flag on site, recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Elective 41: Take a field trip to a train station, bus station, airport, or boat dock.

Closing:

Thank your host, if you had one.

Hand out parent information letter

Meeting #13 Elective 26: *Phone Manners*, Elective 27: *Emergency!*, Elective 15: *Our Colorful World*, Elective 12: *A Friendly Greeting*

Preparation and materials needed:

American flag, several old telephones, crayons, drawing paper or construction paper

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Elective 26: With an old telephone, practice making phone calls and answering the phone.

Elective 27: Talk about what to do if these things happen:

The adult who is caring for you becomes ill.

You are alone with someone who makes you feel uncomfortable.

Elective 15: *Our Colorful World* and

Elective 12: *A Friendly Greeting*: Using primary color crayons and blending the colors, Make two greeting cards for a hospital or long-term care facility. Ask the parents to help the boys deliver them.

Meeting #14 Elective 43: *Pet Care* and Elective 31: *Learn About Animals*

Preparation and materials needed:

Make arrangements for a field trip to a veterinarian. Submit a Local Tour Permit to your council two weeks prior to the trip.

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Using an American flag at the veterinarian's office, recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Elective 43: Take a field trip to a veterinarian.

Elective 31: Learn about an animal while at the veterinarian's office.

Closing:

Thank host

Hand out parent information letter

Ask parents to have boys prepare a healthy snack for themselves and bring it to the next meeting.

Meeting #15 Elective 33: *Cleanup Treasure Hunt*, Elective 23: *What Kind of Milk?*, and Elective 25: *Snack Time*

Preparation and materials needed:

Plan where you can play Cleanup Treasure Hunt (page 121). Bring American flag, snack brought by each boy, work gloves, trash bags, pencils, copies of a "treasure" list of different kinds of litter, hand sanitizer

Gathering:

Collect den dues

Record attendance

Opening ceremony:

Recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Recite the Cub Scout Promise.

Advancement:

Elective 33: Boys and parents play Cleanup Treasure Hunt (page 127). When you are finished, wash your hands with soap or use hand sanitizer.

Elective 23: Find out what kind of milk your family drinks and why.

Elective 25: Boys can eat the snack they brought to the meeting.

Closing:

Dispose of treasure hunt trash.

Hand out parent information letter

Discuss summertime Cub Scout activities with the boys and parents.

Second Tiger Track Bead Earned.

As you go through the other electives in each boy's book, it is likely that he has completed many of them, and therefore will have earned more Tiger Track Beads.