

Activities and Adventures

There are many fun adventures in Cub Scouts! Each local pack designs and schedules their own activities. You can visit www.nfcscouting.org to view the calendar of all activities and adventures available to your family, den or pack; simply register online for any events you want to participate in! Some highlights of the Scouting year include:

New Scout Shooting Day (Fall) – learn how to safely shoot bb guns and archery.

Family Campouts (Spring and Fall) – takes place at Scout-owned property where the entire family can participate in camping, swimming, fishing, shooting sports, climbing, crafts, campfire program & MUCH MORE!

- Date: Oct. 17-19, 2025**
 - Date: Oct. 24-26, 2025**
 - Date: Feb. 6-8, 2026**
 - Date: Apr. 24-26, 2026**
- Camp Shands, 1453 Baden Powell Rd, Hawthorne, FL 32640

For more information on what to bring camping, visit nfcscouting.org and click on **Resources** and select *Cub Family Camping Equipment List*.

- Jaguars Tailgate** – Participate with fellow Scouting families in a unique gameday experience with the Jaguars football team as you tailgate before the game and sit together with fellow Scout families in a Scout-only section!
- Jacksonville Icemen** – Join us on January 31, 2026 for an exciting night of hockey on Star Wars night. This fun family experience includes the opportunity to step onto the ice at the conclusion of the game!
- Pinewood Derby** – Build and race a model car with your child. Takes place in spring.
- Blue and Gold Banquet** – Cub Scouting’s birthday party! For all Pack families, typically held in February or March.
- Field Trips and Service Projects** – Opportunities for hands-on learning throughout the community.
- Camping And Outdoor Activities With Your Pack**

Plan Your Summer 2026 Now!

Day Camp - Takes place in local communities and are designed for the entire family. Week-long fun activities may include range and target sports, water games, science experiments, field sports, exploring nature, arts and crafts and developing scout skills.

Attend one or more!
Visit www.nfcscouting.org/daycamp to register.

- Ocala
- West Jacksonville
- Orange Park
- St. Johns County
- South Jacksonville
- Gainesville
- Arlington & The Beaches



Aquatics Camp - A community camp open to all boys & girls ages 6-14 that features one of our local treasures; the water! But it’s not all water activities. Experience the thrills of shooting bows and arrows, rock climbing, making awesome crafts, riding in a fast boat on the lake, plus so much more. Camp runs for multiple weeks throughout the summer at the St. Johns River Base at Echokotee.

- 5 weeks of camp will be offered, starting **June 15, 2026** & ending **July 24, 2026**
- REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY beginning January 1, 2026. Visit www.aquaticscamp.org to learn more & register for your summer adventure!



Scan this QR code to see a full list of all Cub Scout events.

How can you help?

Your role as a parent is the secret to success for your Cub Scout!

Since Cub Scouting operates through volunteer leadership, several opportunities for your family to contribute in a meaningful way will be shared. By volunteering in Scouting, you will have an opportunity to be a positive influence in the life of your child as well as their friends.

The handbook is full of activities that you will enjoy doing together at den meetings and at home.

It is important for you to attend the monthly Pack meeting together, so that you can celebrate your child’s achievements.

The den and the pack rely on parent participation to run a successful program. You will have an opportunity to be a positive influence in your child’s life and in the lives of their friends.

Regardless of the role you choose, resources, training and networking opportunities will be provided so you are successful. Here are two ways to help:

DEN LEADER Uses the Den Leader Guide and den meeting plans to coordinate activities.

THE PACK COMMITTEE Every Cub Scout parent or guardian is invited to become a member of the pack committee, which helps to perform administrative functions of the pack to plan and coordinate events, advancements, camping activities and fundraising.

- ✓ Register at My.Scouting
- ✓ Complete Safeguarding Youth Training [SYT]
- ✓ Send your SYT completion certificate to your Committee Chair

To Join

Register online at beascout.org or scan the QR code below using your phone’s camera.



To learn more & guarantee your child’s spot in Scouting, use this QR code to sign up NOW!

Keeping Children Safe

Youth safety is the top priority for the North Florida Council. To accomplish this, each volunteer in our organization undergoes a thorough background screening and must complete a 90-minute online training course (Safeguarding Youth) designed to introduce & teach the barriers to abuse used in the Scouting program to keep children safe. Learn more at www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection.



My child is in Pack: _____which meets at _____
Location

at _____ on _____
Time Day and Week of Month

Leader: _____
Name

Phone No. _____ Email _____



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2025-2026 PARENT’S GUIDE TO SCOUTING



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FOR BOYS AND GIRLS GRADES K-12



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What is Cub Scouts?

Through Scouting, you will have the opportunity to have great experiences, learn new things and grow together as a family. Whether it is shooting bows and arrows or camping together, Scouting allows you the opportunity to share a special experience with your children while providing a social outlet and compliment to educational learning.

Our mission is to provide your child with a program of fun and adventure while instilling in them values that will last a lifetime to better serve and strengthen their family, community and country.

As a parent, you want to be assured that the groups that your child joins will teach values consistent with good citizenship, character development, personal fitness, and leadership. The values we seek to instill are found in the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

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

We know that kids do not join Cub Scouting for character building. Kids join because it is fun. Your child will learn great lessons, but they will be far too busy having fun to notice.

Your child’s success in Cub Scouting depends on you!

Additional information on the Pack’s volunteer leadership structure may be found on the back of this Parent’s Guide.

How is Cub Scouts Structured?

Scouting activities operate in conjunction with the school calendar and take place at two levels. The first level, which we call a **den** is comprised of a small group of Cub Scouts in the same grade level. A den typically meets twice per month for 60 minutes to complete age and grade appropriate activities with parental support and supervision. The “roadmap” and support materials for these adventures are contained within a **scout handbook** (more information on how and where to purchase can be found within this guide).



Kindergarten - Lions
First Grade - Tigers
Second Grade - Wolves
Third Grade - Bears
Fourth Grade - Webeles
Fifth Grade - Arrow of Light

Each den, from kindergarten through fifth grade make up the second level, a **pack**, which meets once per month. Here, all families grades K-5 come together to celebrate the adventures and activities they’ve completed as a family within the den throughout the month. The Scouts are recognized with achievement badges that they can proudly wear on their Cub Scout **uniform** (more information on the scout uniform can be found within this guide).

As your child grows in Cub Scouting, your role will change with them, from hands-on involvement to guiding and coaching.

How Much Does Cub Scouts Cost?

There are three financial investments in your family’s Scouting year.

- Annual registration:** The annual membership fee for new Scouts is \$150 and is paid at the time of sign-up. This fee covers your Scouting experience for the following 12 months.
- Handbook and uniform:** The handbook (approx. \$24) is your roadmap to adventure in Scouting each school year. The uniform (approx. \$100 - \$150) is where your Scout can proudly display their achievements and can be worn year-to-year.
- Pack Activity Fee:** varies by Pack based on calendar of events and fundraising participation.

To offset the cost of Scouting, two fundraisers are offered to families each year. Popcorn is sold in the fall and discount cards are sold in the spring (information available within this guide). All funds generated are kept and leveraged locally by your Pack and the local Council.

Handbook and Uniform Information

Books Only							
							
Kindergarten Lion	1st Grade Tiger	2nd Grade Wolf	3rd Grade Bear	4th & 5th Grade Webeles	Arrow of Light	Ages 11-18 Scouts BSA Boys	Ages 11-18 Scouts BSA Girls
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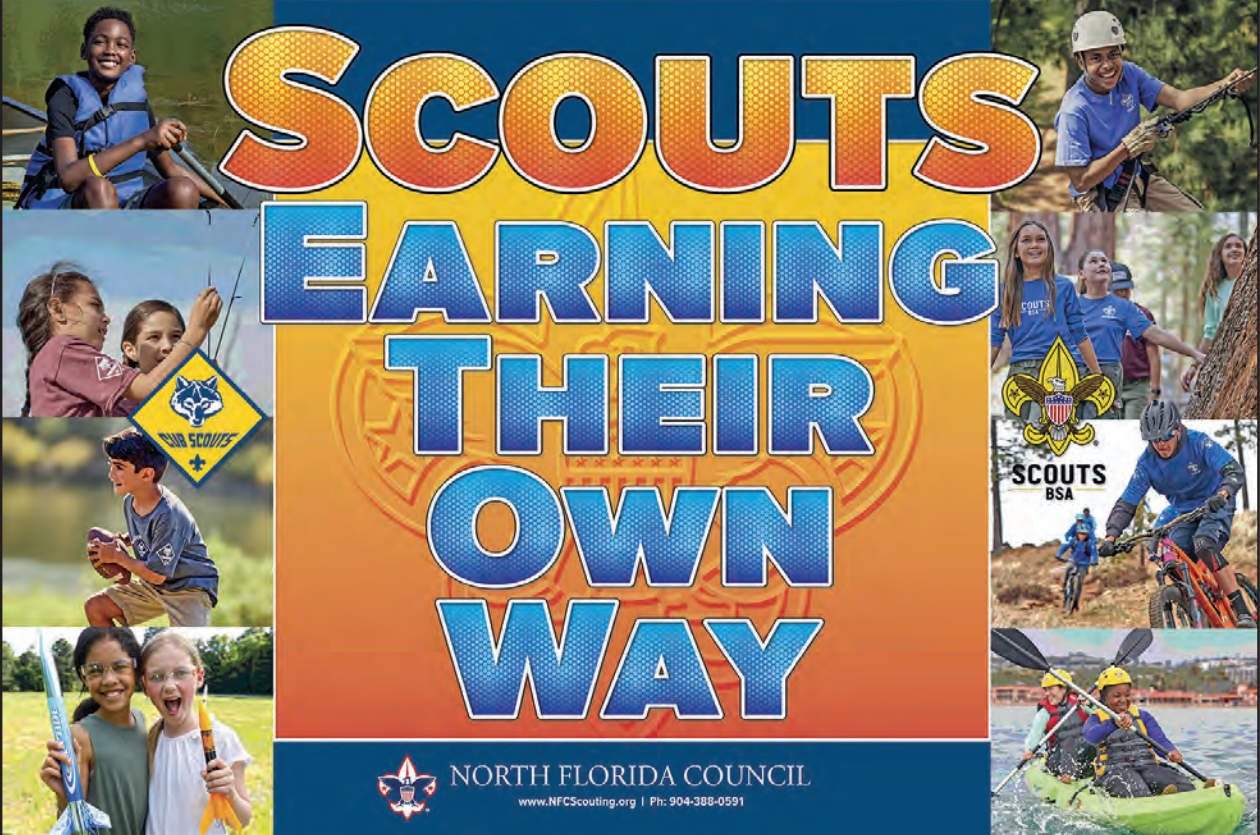


- Belt Up Uniform and Book
(Book, Shirt, Belt, Required Patches, Neckerchief, Slide)
approx. \$125
- Full Uniform and Book
(Book, Shirt, Belt, Required Patches, Neckerchief, Slide, Shorts, Hat, Socks)
approx. \$180

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CAMP CARDS!

Fall Popcorn Sale
Starting in August, the annual popcorn sale helps Scouts raise funds for badges, uniforms, camps and activities, all while learning valuable skills and selling a tasty product!

Spring Camp Card Sale
Beginning in February, the camp card sale is a fantastic way for Scouts to earn money to pay for summer camp and Scout dues, while winning prizes and free camp experiences!



Ask your unit leader about these fundraising opportunities so you can pay for 100% of your Scouting experience with nothing out of pocket!