



Wolf Cub Scouts



Have you added new members to your Wolf Cub Scout den? If any new boys join your den this year, make certain they complete the requirements to earn their Bobcat badge. Tell the parents they must complete at home Bobcat Requirement 8, using “How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent’s Guide,” in the front of the *Wolf Handbook*.

Helpful Hints for Den Leaders

Your first Wolf Cub Scout den meeting will possibly be each boy’s first Cub Scouting experience without a parent or guardian present. The tone you set at the first meeting will determine, to a large extent, the success of your year. Wear your adult uniform. Be completely organized before the start of the meeting. Explain clearly to the boys the behavioral expectations. You may wish to use the “good conduct candle” approach (*Cub Scout Leader How-To Book*). Be friendly but firm with the boys.

Ask your assistant den leader or parent helper to arrive at least 15 minutes before the starting time of the meeting. He or she can help you with final preparations before the boys arrive.

A snack at den meetings is optional. Set the example with healthy, nutritious snacks. Be aware of any food allergies of den members and communicate these to parents who may be assisting with the snacks.

Distribute the family talent survey sheet prior to or at the first den meeting. Ask for it to be returned to you within a week. It will be a helpful tool for you to identify parent resources within your den. (The Family Talent Survey Sheet can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms or on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

You may wish to distribute a family information letter at the conclusion of each meeting. The letter tells parents what was completed at each meeting and provides information on upcoming den and pack meetings and activities. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

At least two weeks before any field trip, a local tour permit should be filed with the council service center. A permission slip (informed consent agreement) should also be secured from the parent or guardian of each Cub Scout.

Encourage the boys to earn the religious emblem of their faith. Talk about earning the National Summertime Pack Award pin, the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award, the Cub Scout World Conservation Award, and Cub Scouting's Leave No Trace Awareness Award during the year. Distribute and review the Leave No Trace frontcountry guidelines (before any field trip to a park or playground. (The guidelines can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources/leavenotrace and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Open each den meeting by saluting the U.S. flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Then, while showing the Cub Scout sign, recite the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack. See *Cub Scout Ceremonies for Dens and Packs* for detailed guidelines and ceremony examples.

NOTE: Each Wolf Cub Scout must have an opportunity to lead a den flag ceremony in order to complete requirements for the Wolf badge (Achievement 2b), as well as to individually explain what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a). Be sure that you keep track of the den rotation so that each boy has a turn before the blue and gold banquet.

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.

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.

Law of the Pack

The Cub Scout follows Akela.
The Cub Scout helps the pack go.
The pack helps the Cub Scout grow.
The Cub Scout gives goodwill.



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Wolf Den Meeting #1

Achievement 2: Your Flag (partial); Elective 9b: Make a gift (partial); Elective 12e: Make a stencil pattern

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag; have index cards with the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack printed on one side and the Pledge of Allegiance on the other side (make enough for all people attending the meeting).
- Bring an undecorated den flag (can be part of a sheet of fabric), flag stands, squares of yellow-gold felt (one per boy), ballpoint pens, youth scissors, camera, and film.
- Have snack and napkins set at each boy's place before the boys' arrival.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, and record attendance.
- At this first meeting, develop a den code of conduct. Have each boy tell the den what one rule for good behavior during a den meeting should be. With a little prompting from the den leader, all the rules can be covered. Try to focus on what you want the behavior to be rather describing a negative action. For example: *Only one person speaks at a time. Stay in the meeting room, unless you have permission from the den leader to go elsewhere. Use good, appropriate, and positive manners. Walk in the building unless we are doing an activity requiring otherwise. Leave our meeting room cleaner than we found it.*

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct an outdoor flag ceremony (Achievement 2f).
 - Choose the first boy alphabetically to carry the U.S. flag; he may also serve as your denner if you use the denner system. The second boy will be next meeting's U.S. flag bearer and will carry the den flag today. (The den flag is not yet decorated.) The third and fourth boys are the color guards.
 - The remaining boys in the den and all adults present form a reviewing line that the color guard passes on the way to the flag stands.
 - The den leader can call the flag ceremony at the first few meetings until the boys learn how to do so.
- After the flags are posted, have all recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Provide index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack for each person present. After the Pledge, all may read the Cub Scout Promise and Law of the Pack

in unison from the index cards. Provide the cards for the first few meetings until the boys can recite the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cub Scout Promise, and the Law of the Pack with confidence.

- Collect the index cards.

Advancement:

- Review the Bobcat requirements: Cub Scout Promise; Law of the Pack; Cub Scout motto, sign, handshake, salute; meaning of *Webelos*.
Suggestion: Start with Bobcat Relay Race. Den divides into two teams, lining up for relay race on one end of room or field, with leaders and/or parent helpers on the other end, to test on the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, Cub Scout motto, sign, handshake, salute, and meaning of *Webelos*. The first boy on each team walks to the leader, answers the Bobcat-related question, then returns to tag the next Cub Scout. If the Cub Scout can't answer, he can go back and get help, then return and answer the question.
- Achievement 2f: Participate in an outdoor flag ceremony.
- Elective 9b: Photograph each boy separately (head and shoulders) in his uniform. This will be used for Elective 9b in den meeting #5.
- Elective 12e: Make a stencil pattern. Trace each boy's hand on cardstock (or heavy paper) and make a stencil. Then trace the pattern on a square of yellow-gold felt. Have each boy cut out his handprint and put his name on the back of it. This will be used for your den flag. At their Arrow of Light Award ceremony, when the boys are in fifth grade, the handprints will be removed from the den flag and each boy will present his print to his parents.

Closing:

- Closing ceremony—retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Following den meeting #1, the den leader prints each boy's name on his felt handprint, using fabric paint. When the paint is dry, the leader may sew the handprints onto the den flag or may choose to have the boys do the sewing at den meeting #2.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #2, you will need a baseball or softball (and optional baseball gloves) for the boys to play catch, and a narrow board, 4 to 6 feet long. If you're doing Achievement 1j, you will need a basketball.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag; have the Cub Scout Promise and Pledge of Allegiance printed on index cards.
- You may wish to make a small poster with the den code of conduct.



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Wolf Den Meeting #2

Achievement 2: Your Flag (partial); Achievement 1: Feats of Skill

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag; have the Cub Scout Promise and Pledge of Allegiance printed on index cards.
- Bring a baseball or softball and (optional) baseball gloves for boys to play catch.
- Bring a narrow board, 4 to 6 feet long.
- You may wish to have a small poster with the den code of conduct.
- Have the snack in place before the boys arrive.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Review code of conduct for den meetings.

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). Have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).
- Continue using the index cards printed with the Cub Scout Promise and Pledge of Allegiance.

Advancement:

- Achievement 2a: Give the Pledge of Allegiance and tell what it means.
- Achievements 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, and 1e, and one of the following: 1f, 1g, 1h, 1i, 1j, 1k, or 1l

Note: If completing Achievement 1h or 1i, review aquatics guidelines in the *Guide to Safe Scouting* (www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/GSS). Be sure to follow all of the procedures of Safe Swim Defense when participating in any swimming, boating, or water activity. Safe Swim Defense training is required for any aquatics activity; Safety Afloat training is required for any boating activity. Both of these may be completed online at (www.scouting.org/applications/myscouting).

- Optional: Have each boy sew his handprint onto the den flag, using a needle and thread.

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #3, you will need a U.S. flag, state flag, den flag, football, and flags for flag football, soccer ball, basketball, baseball or softball, and bat.
- Find a location with a flagpole so the boys can practice raising and lowering the U.S. flag.
- Procure indoor space to play flag football, soccer, basketball, and baseball in case the weather does not permit these activities outdoors.
- Print a health habits chart (see Wolf Den Meeting #3) for each boy (Achievement 3a, *Wolf Handbook* page 57).
- Research the meaning of your state flag.
- Prepare permission slips for a trip to a bowling alley at den meeting #4.



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Wolf Den Meeting #3

Achievement 2: Your Flag (partial); Achievement 3: Keep Your Body Healthy (partial); Elective 20: Sports; Bowling belt loop (partial)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Find a location with a flagpole so the boys can practice raising and lowering the U.S. flag.
- Bring a U.S. flag, your state flag, and the den flag; a football and flags for flag football; soccer ball, basketball, baseball or softball; and bat.
- Research the meaning of your state flag.
- Print a health habits chart (below) for each boy (Achievement 3a, *Wolf Handbook* page 57).
- Procure indoor space to play flag football, soccer, basketball, and baseball in case the weather does not permit these activities outdoors.
- Prepare permission slips for a trip to a bowling alley at den meeting #4.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Practice raising and lowering the U.S. flag (Achievement 2e).

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct an outdoor flag ceremony (Achievement 2f).

Advancement:

- Achievements 2c, 2d, 2e, and 2g
- Electives 20h, 20i, 20j, 20k or 20l or 20m
- Preparation for next week's meeting: Bowling belt loop, requirement 1. Discuss with the boys the rules of courtesy and safety for bowling. They will need to be able to tell you about these rules next week to qualify for the Bowling belt loop.

Pack meeting preparation:

- Song: "This Land Is Your Land" (*Cub Scout Songbook*)

Closing:

- Retire the colors.

- Distribute the health habits chart (below) to be completed and returned at the next den meeting (Achievement 3a).
- Hand out family information letter and permission slips for a trip to a bowling alley. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #4, make arrangements with a bowling alley to bring your den. Provide bowling alley staff with a copy of the Bowling belt loop requirements (see the *Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*, pages 71–72).
- Arrange transportation to the bowling alley.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before this field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Bring a small U.S. flag.
- Bring stick-on bandages for the boys to use on a “pretend” cut finger.



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Wolf Den Meeting #4

Achievement 3: Keep Your Body Healthy (completion); Elective 20g: Go bowling; Bowling belt loop (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Make arrangements with a bowling alley to bring your den. Provide bowling alley staff with a copy of the Bowling belt loop requirements (see *Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*).
- Arrange transportation to the bowling alley.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before this field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Bring a small U.S. flag.
- Bring stick-on bandages for the boys to use on a “pretend” cut finger.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips as boys arrive.
- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Collect from each boy his health habits chart and verify completion (Achievement 3a).

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony using a small U.S. flag. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). Have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Achievements 3b and 3c: Complete the requirements while the boys are awaiting their turn at the bowling alley.
 - Let each boy demonstrate to the den leader or a parent helper how to use a stick-on bandage on a pretend cut.
 - Give each boy the opportunity to explain to the den leader or parent helper four ways to stop the spread of colds.

- Elective 20g: Go bowling (field trip to bowling alley).
- The Bowling belt loop can be earned at the bowling alley.
 - At some point during the game, have each boy explain to the den leader or adult partner the rules of courtesy and safety for bowling.
 - Have each boy show how to pick out a ball of proper weight and with finger holes that fit his hand.
 - Bowl a complete game.
 - Explain to boys that they will receive their Bowling belt loop (if the requirements were completed) at the next pack meeting.

Closing:

- Perform a Living Circle ceremony (see the *Cub Scout Leader Book*).
- Hand out family information letter. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #5, you will need a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring the photographs of the boys that were taken at the first den meeting; bring picture frames to be decorated, paint and brushes or other materials to decorate the frames, and smocks (or old shirts that fit over the boys' uniforms) to protect the boys' uniforms from paint.
- Prepare permission slips for a field trip to a fire station at den meeting #6.



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Wolf Den Meeting #5

Elective 9b: Make a gift (partial); Elective 11a: Learn and sing "America"

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring the photographs of the boys that were taken at the first den meeting; bring picture frames to be decorated, paint and brushes or other materials to decorate the frames, and smocks (or old shirts large enough to fit over the boys' uniforms) to protect the boys' uniforms from paint.
- Prepare permission slips for a field trip to a fire station at den meeting #6.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). Have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Elective 9b: Make a gift. Have each boy (wearing a smock) decorate a picture frame and insert the photo of himself that was taken at the first den meeting of the year. Save these for den meeting #7.
- Elective 11a: Learn and sing the first and last verses of "America."

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter and permission slips for a field trip to the fire station. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #6, make arrangements for a field trip to your local fire station. Request permission to use a meeting room at the fire station for snacks and to complete additional requirements while at the station.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before this field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Bring paper and pencil for each boy.



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Wolf Den Meeting #6

Achievement 4: Know Your Home and Community; Achievement 9: Be Safe at Home and on the Street

Preparation and materials needed:

- Make arrangements for a field trip to your local fire station. Request permission to use a meeting room at the fire station for snacks and to complete additional requirements while at the fire station.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before this field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Bring paper and pencil for each boy.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips as boys arrive.
- Eat a snack at the fire station, either before or after the meeting.

Opening ceremony:

- Using the U.S. flag at the fire station, conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). Have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Achievement 4f: Visit an important place in your community (the fire station).
- Achievement 9: Discuss good rules of street safety and road safety (Achievement 9d) and the rules of bike safety (Achievement 9e). *Assignment:* Boys should practice the rules of road safety during the week and have a family member sign off in their handbook.
- Following a tour of the fire station, continue the den meeting in a meeting room at the station to complete Achievements 4a; 9a, 9d, and 9e.

- Discuss Achievements 4b, 4c, and 4d. *Family assignment:* Each boy should discuss further with his family and complete at home with his family. Books will be checked next week.
- Achievement 4e: Discuss possible household jobs that boys could do at home. *Assignment:* With their families, make a list of household jobs that the Wolf Cub Scouts will do. For one month, boys should mark off when they have completed these tasks. The lists will be collected at den meeting #8.

Closing:

- Perform a Living Circle ceremony (*Wolf Handbook* page 29).
- Hand out family information letter. Ask parents to help Cub Scouts complete Achievements 9b, 9c, 9d; and 4b, 4c, and 4d. Ask them to help Cub Scouts find articles for Achievement 7e to share at next week's den meeting. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #7, you will need a U.S. flag and the den flag, litter bags, and work gloves for each boy and adult.
- Wolf Cub Scouts (with adult help) should find three stories about how people are protecting our world. Have magazines and newspapers available at the den meeting for boys who are unable to complete Achievement 7e at home.
- For gift-wrapping the framed photos made at den meeting #5, bring wrapping paper, tape, and markers.



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Wolf Den Meeting #7

Achievement 7: Your Living World; Achievement 6: Start a Collection (partial); Achievement 8: Cooking and Eating (partial); Elective 9b: Make a gift (completion); Elective 17: Tie It Right

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring litter bags and work gloves for each boy and adult.
- Provide enough magazines and newspapers so that each Wolf Cub Scout who did not find articles at home for Achievement 7e can find three stories about how people are protecting our world.
- Bring the framed photos made at den meeting #5, gift wrap, tape, and markers.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Check handbooks for completion of Achievements 9b, 9c, 9d; and 4b, 4c, and 4d.
- While the boys are eating their snack, discuss the Good Turn for America and Achievements 7a, 7b, 7c, and 7f.

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). Have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Electives 17a, 17b, and 17c: Have the boys wrap the framed photos made at den meeting #5, take them home, and give them to their parents as holiday gifts.
- Achievement 7e: Have each boy tell about the three stories he found on how people are protecting our world.
- Achievement 7d: Go outdoors to pick up litter around your meeting place.
- Achievement 6b: Ask the boys to begin a collection. Start by collecting 10 things and arranging them neatly. Each boy is to bring his collection to the next den meeting to show the den.
- Achievement 4e: Remind boys that their list of household chores completed is due at the next den meeting.

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter. Boys are to begin a collection starting with 10 items and arranging them neatly (Achievement 6b). Boys are to share their collection with the den at the next meeting (Achievement 6c). Ask the parents to have the boys complete Achievements 8c, 8d, and 8e (Cooking and Eating). They have likely completed these at home. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Boys who have attended all den meetings and completed home assignments will now qualify for the Cub Scout immediate recognition emblem and their first yellow Progress Toward Ranks bead (for completing Achievements 1, 3, and 9). These should be presented at the den meeting.

Explain to the boys that every time they complete three achievements, they receive a yellow bead. After they earn four yellow beads, then they will have earned their Wolf badge.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #8, you will need a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring enough paper and pencils for each boy.
- Prepare permission slips for a field trip to a hardware store or lumberyard at den meeting #9.



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Wolf Den Meeting #8

Achievement 8: Cooking and Eating (completion); Achievement 6: Start a Collection (completion)

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag, and enough paper and pencils for each boy.
- Prepare permission slips for a field trip to a hardware store or lumberyard at den meeting #9.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Collect from each Cub Scout a list of household chores he has completed in the last month (Achievement 4e).
- Check handbooks for completion of Achievements 8c, 8d, and 8e.
- While snacking, discuss the Food Guide Pyramid (Achievement 8a).

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). Have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Complete Achievement 8a: Study the Food Guide Pyramid. Name some foods from each of the food groups shown in the pyramid.
- Achievement 8b: Plan the meals you and your family should have for one day. List things your family should have from the food groups shown in the Food Guide Pyramid. At each meal, you should have foods from at least three food groups.
- Achievement 6a: Complete the Character Connection for Positive Attitude.
 - **Know.** Discuss with your family how a cheerful and positive attitude will help you do your best at school and in other areas of your life.
 - **Commit.** Discuss with your family how gathering items for a collection may be difficult. How does a hopeful and cheerful attitude help you to keep looking for more items? Why is a positive attitude important?
 - **Practice.** Practice having a positive attitude while doing the requirements for Achievement 6: Start a Collection.

- Achievement 6c: Have each boy bring his collection to the den meeting and show his collection to the den.

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter and permission slips for a field trip to a hardware store or lumberyard. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #9, bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Make arrangements for a field trip to your local hardware store or lumberyard.
 - Discuss the requirements for Achievement 5 with the store manager and ask for help from the staff on the day of your visit.
 - Determine if the store will permit the boys to build bookends at the store, and if there is adequate space to conduct such activity safely.
 - If the store manager grants permission, then bring wood for bookends and enough hammers, saws, nails, and safety glasses for each boy.
 - Review the use of age-appropriate tools for Cub Scouts in the *Cub Scout Leader How-To Book* and Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting activities (www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/Resources/AgeAppropriateGuidelines); power tools are not appropriate for use by Cub Scouts.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before this field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Boys who have attended all den meetings and completed home assignments will now qualify for their second yellow Progress Toward Ranks bead (for completing Achievements 4, 6, and 7).



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Wolf Den Meeting #9

Achievement 5: Tools for Fixing and Building

Preparation and materials needed:

- Review the use of age-appropriate tools for Cub Scouts in the *Cub Scout Leader How-To Book* and Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting activities (www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/Resources/AgeAppropriateGuidelines); power tools are not appropriate for use by Cub Scouts.
- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Make arrangements for a field trip to your local hardware store or lumberyard.
 - Discuss the requirements for Achievement 5 with the store manager and ask for help from the staff on the day of your visit.
 - Determine if the store will permit the boys to build bookends at the store, and if there is adequate space to conduct such activity safely. If the store manager grants permission, bring wood for bookends (or suitable wood project) and enough hammers, saws, nails, and safety glasses for each boy. If you are unable to build the bookends at the store, then locate a suitable nearby location (e.g., a park) where the activity can be safely conducted.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before this field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips as boys arrive.
- Collect den dues and record attendance.

Opening ceremony:

- With the store's employees, conduct the flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). Have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Achievements 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, and 5e: Use tools and make a project during the field trip to the local hardware store. Arrange for a store employee to work with the boys to complete these requirements. For Achievement 5e, each boy will make a set of bookends (or a suitable alternative wood project).

Closing:

- Clean up.
- Thank the hardware store employees.
- Hand out family information letter. Ask parents to help Cub Scouts complete Achievement 10: Family Fun, and Achievement 11: Duty to God, at home. They have likely completed most or all of these requirements already. Also ask families to find a book about birds for their Cub Scout to read before the next den meeting (Elective 13c). (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Next Up:

- For den meeting #10, bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring a bird-watching chart (see Wolf Den Meeting #10) for each boy, and a book about birds with lots of drawings (ask your public librarian for assistance in identifying a suitable book for second-graders).
- **Determine if any of the boys is allergic to peanuts.** If no one is allergic to peanuts, then prepare materials for a pinecone bird feeder (one large pinecone per boy, string, jar of peanut butter, birdseed, an 8-by-8-inch cake pan, plastic knives, newspaper to cover the work table, a smock for each boy and adult, and quart-size plastic zipper bags labeled with the name of each boy to hold each completed pinecone bird feeder). Research on the Internet instructions for pinecone bird feeders; instructions are readily available online.
- If peanut allergies are a problem, then make a bird feeder as shown in the *Wolf Handbook*, page 176, or make one from a recyclable plastic milk jug or 2-liter soda bottle.
- Make up or purchase a birdhouse kit for each boy.
- Gather some books about birds for loan to boys who do not complete Elective 13c at home.



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Wolf Den Meeting #10

Elective 13: Birds; Achievement 10: Family Fun; Achievement 11: Duty to God

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring a bird-watching chart (below) for each boy, and a book about birds with lots of drawings (ask your public librarian for assistance in identifying a suitable book for second-graders).
- **Determine if any of the boys is allergic to peanuts.** If peanut allergies are a problem, make a bird feeder as shown in the *Wolf Handbook*, page 176, or make one from a recyclable plastic milk jug or 2-liter soda bottle. If no one is allergic to peanuts, bring materials for a pinecone bird feeder (one large pinecone per boy, string, jar of peanut butter, birdseed, an 8-by-8-inch cake pan, plastic knives, newspaper to cover the work table, a smock for each boy and adult, and quart-size plastic zipper bags labeled with the name of each boy to hold each completed pinecone bird feeder). Find on the Internet instructions for pinecone bird feeders.
- Make up or purchase a birdhouse kit for each boy.
- Have some books about birds available for loan to boys who have not completed Elective 13c.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Check handbooks for completion of Achievements 10 and 11 (home assignments).
- While snacking, have boys share information that they learned from reading a book about birds (Elective 13c).

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). If he has not yet had the opportunity, have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Elective 13a: Distribute a bird-watching chart (below) to each boy (modify the chart as needed to include local birds), to be completed and returned at the next meeting.

- Elective 13c (home assignment): Read a book about birds. A family member should sign off in the boy's handbook when the requirement is completed.
- Elective 13d: Show the bird pictures on page 174 of the *Wolf Handbook* and ask the boys which of those they have seen. Ask boys to name at least two more species they have seen.
- Elective 13e: Make pinecone bird feeders. Have each person put on a smock. Cover the work table with newspaper. Each boy receives a pinecone and a dull knife. Place two or three bowls of peanut butter on the table. Using the dull knife, each boy spreads peanut butter all over the pinecone. Put birdseed into an 8-by-8-inch pan and roll each peanut butter-coated pinecone in the birdseed. Place each completed bird feeder into a labeled plastic zipper bag. Wash hands. Remove smocks. Remind the boys to hang the bird feeders from a tree or bush when they get home.
- Elective 13f: Ask the boys to assemble the birdhouse at home and put it out in their yard or neighborhood and record which birds use it. Ask family members to sign their handbook after they observe which birds use it.

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter, asking family members to help put out the birdhouse and observe which birds use it (Elective 13f). (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Next Up:

- For den meeting #11, bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Remind boys to bring their *Wolf Handbook*.

Boys who have attended all den meetings and completed required home assignments will now qualify for a third yellow Progress Toward Ranks bead to be placed on their Cub Scout immediate recognition emblem (for completing Achievements 5, 8, and 10).

Name _____

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Elective 13a: Bird-Sighting Chart

Type of Bird	Location	Number of Sightings
Cardinal		
Robin		
Sparrow		
Goose		

Please bring your completed sheet to the next meeting on _____.

Type of Bird	Location	Number of Sightings
Duck		
Goldfinch		
Blue Jay		
Seagull		

Remember to "do your best" to correctly record your information.

Type of Bird	Location	Number of Sightings



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Wolf Den Meeting #11

Achievement 12: Making Choices

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Boys will need their handbooks.

Gathering:

- Collect den dues; record attendance.
- Collect bird-watching charts from the previous meeting (Elective 13a).

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). If he has not yet had the opportunity, have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Achievement 12a: Complete the Character Connection for Courage.
 - **Know.** Discuss with your family what “courage” is. Review the requirements and discuss how you might need courage in each one to do what is right.
 - **Commit.** Give some examples of when it is hard to do the right thing. Discuss with your family times that it might take courage to be honest and kind. Tell about a time in your life when you needed to be brave and courageous to do the right thing.
 - **Practice.** Practice learning about courage while doing the requirements for “Making Choices.” With family members, act out the choices you would make for some of the requirements.
- Discuss the following scenarios and have the boys act out the choices they would make for each. Cover as many of the following as time permits, allowing each boy to complete at least one. Make a home assignment for each Cub Scout to discuss four of these scenarios at home.
 - Achievement 12b: There is an older boy who hangs around Jason’s school. He tries to give drugs to the children. What would you do if you were Jason?

- Achievement 12c: Lee is home alone. The phone rings. When Lee answers, a stranger asks if Lee's mother is home. She is not. Lee is alone. What would you do if you were Lee?
- Achievement 12d: Justin is new to your school. He has braces on his legs and walks with a limp. Some of the kids at school tease him. They want you to tease him, too. What would you do?
- Achievement 12e: Juan is on a walk with his little sister. A car stops and a man asks them to come over to the car. What would you do if you were Juan?
- Achievement 12f: Matthew's grandmother gives him money to buy an ice cream cone. On the way to the store, a bigger boy asks for money and threatens to hit Matthew if he does not give him some money. If you were Matthew, what would you do?
- Achievement 12g: Chris and his little brother are home alone in the afternoon. A woman knocks on the door and says she wants to read the meter. She is not wearing a uniform. What would you do if you were Chris?
- Achievement 12h: Sam is home alone. He looks out the window and sees a man trying to break into a neighbor's back door. What would you do if you were Sam?
- Achievement 12i: Mr. Palmer is blind. He has a guide dog. One day as he is crossing the street, some kids whistle and call to the dog. They want you and your friends to call the dog, too. What would you do?
- Achievement 12j: Some kids who go to Bob's school want him to steal candy and gum from a store, which they can share later. Bob knows this is wrong, but he wants to be popular with these kids. What would you do if you were Bob?
- Achievement 12k: Paul and his little sister are playing outdoors. A very friendly, elderly woman stops and watches the children for a while. Paul doesn't know the woman. She starts to talk to them and offers to take Paul's little sister on a walk around the block. What would you do?

Closing:

- Boys form a circle and recite the Cub Scout Promise.
- Hand out family information letter. Ask family members to complete at home four requirements from Achievements 12b–k; the boy's handbook should be signed upon completion. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Next Up:

- For den meeting #12, bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring a book about American Indian lore with lots of drawings (ask your public librarian for assistance in identifying a suitable book for second-graders).
- Bring brown paper sacks, scissors for each boy, and markers. Each boy will cut a vest, fringe it, and decorate it with markers.

- Bring copies of the lyrics to “She’ll Be Coming ‘Round the Mountain” (*Cub Scout Songbook*) for each boy.
- Prepare permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #13, if you are going somewhere other than your usual meeting place.



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Wolf Den Meeting #12

Elective 10: American Indian Lore

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Bring a short book on American Indian lore with lots of drawings (ask your public librarian for assistance in identifying a suitable book for second-graders).
- Bring brown paper sacks, scissors for each boy, and markers. Each boy will cut a vest, fringe it, and decorate it with markers.
- Bring copies of the lyrics to “She’ll Be Coming ‘Round the Mountain” (*Cub Scout Songbook*) for each boy.
- Prepare permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #13, if you are going somewhere other than your usual meeting place.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Check handbooks for completion of Achievement 12 (the home assignment).

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony. Remember to move through a rotation of the boys so each boy has a turn at every role in the flag ceremony (Achievement 2b). If he has not yet had the opportunity, have the Cub Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge of Allegiance means (Achievement 2a).

Advancement:

- Elective 10a: Read a book about American Indian lore. Have each boy read two pages and pass the book to the next boy. Make an assignment for each boy to read another book about American Indians to tell about at the next den meeting.
- Electives 10c and 10f: Each boy cuts a vest from a brown paper sack, then cuts fringe along the bottom of his woodland vest. He should then write a story on the vest, with markers, using Indian word pictures. Have each boy choose an American Indian name (Swift Runner, Peace Maker, etc.).

Song:

- Sing “She’ll Be Coming ‘Round the Mountain” (*Cub Scout Songbook*).

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter, explaining the assignment to read a book about American Indians, past or present (Elective 10a). (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Hand out permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #13, if you are going somewhere other than your usual meeting place.
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #13, bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Obtain permission to plant flowers or bulbs on the grounds of your meeting place, school, park, or church.
- Bring garden tools and enough flowers or bulbs and soil amendments so each boy can plant several.
- Bring bird nesting material (short pieces of yarn, straw, or string).
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip, if you are going somewhere other than your usual meeting place. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Gather books about American Indians for loan to Cub Scouts who do not complete Elective 10a at home.

Boys who have attended all den meetings and completed home assignments will qualify for their fourth yellow Progress Toward Ranks bead to be placed on their Cub Scout immediate recognition emblem (for completing Achievements 2, 11, and 12). These boys have now completed requirements for the Wolf badge, which should be presented at the blue and gold banquet.

Boys who have attended relevant den meetings and completed home assignments will qualify for a Gold Arrow Point for 10 electives completed: Elective 9b; Elective 11a; Electives 17a–c; Elective 20g; Electives 20h–j; and Elective 20k, l, or m.



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Wolf Den Meeting #13

Elective 13: Birds

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Obtain permission to plant flowers or bulbs on the grounds of your meeting place, school, park, or church.
- Bring garden tools and enough flowers or bulbs and soil amendments so each boy can plant several.
- Bring bird nesting material (short pieces of yarn, straw, or string).
- Have books available about American Indians for loan to Cub Scouts who did not complete Elective 10a at home.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip, if you are going somewhere other than your usual meeting place. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips (if needed) as boys arrive.
- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.
- Check handbooks for completion of Elective 10a. During snack time, have boys share what they learned from the book they read.

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony.

Advancement:

- Plant flowers or bulbs on the grounds of your meeting place, school, park, or church.
- Elective 13b: Put out the bird nesting material when you go outdoors to plant the flowers or bulbs.
- Have the boys and adults walk around and pick up trash, and make the area neat and clean.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #14, bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.

- Research on the Internet various ways to play marbles. Bring marbles for each boy. Bring a street map of the local area and one or more compasses.
- Prepare permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #15.



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Wolf Den Meeting #14

Elective 4: Play a Game; Marbles belt loop; *Elective 18:* Outdoor Adventure; Map and Compass belt loop

Preparation and materials needed:

- Bring a U.S. flag and the den flag, marbles for each boy, a street map of the local area, and one or more compasses. Research on the Internet various ways to play marbles.
- Prepare permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #15.

Gathering:

- Snack, collect den dues, record attendance.

Opening ceremony:

- Conduct flag ceremony.

Advancement:

- Elective 4e: Play a game of marbles. Complete the Marbles belt loop requirements (*Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*, page 83).
- Elective 18a: Have the boys plan a family fishing outing and picnic. If time allows, complete the requirements for the Map and Compass belt loop (*Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*, page 49).

Closing:

- Retire the colors.
- Hand out family information letter. Provide information about the den family fishing outing and picnic at the next den meeting. (A sample family information letter can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Hand out permission slips for the fishing outing and picnic.
- Clean up.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #15, bring a U.S. flag and the den flag.
- Make arrangements for a den family fishing outing and picnic.

- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Instruct each boy to bring a picnic lunch, fishing equipment, and bait; bring a first aid kit and extra fishing equipment and bait for those boys who do not have access to equipment.
- Research your local and state fishing guidelines. Determine whether a fishing license will be required for youth or adults participating in the next den meeting.
- Bring a book or chart with pictures of different types of local fish.
- Prepare permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #16.

Boys who have attended relevant den meetings and completed home assignments will now qualify for a Silver Arrow Point for completing 10 electives: Elective 4e; Electives 10a, 10c, and 10f; and Electives 13a–f. The award will be presented at the next pack meeting.



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Wolf Den Meeting #15

Elective 18: Outdoor Adventure; Elective 19: Fishing

Preparation and materials needed:

- Make arrangements for a den family fishing outing and picnic.
- Submit a Local Tour Permit Application to your council service center two weeks before the field trip. (The Local Tour Permit Application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)
- Research your local and state fishing guidelines. Determine whether a fishing license will be required for youth or adults participating in the fishing outing.
- Bring a small U.S. flag, fishing equipment and bait, picnic supplies and equipment, and first aid kit.
- Bring a book or chart with pictures of different types of local fish.
- Prepare permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #16.

Opening ceremony:

- Collect permission slips for this outing if a parent or guardian is not in attendance.
- Conduct flag ceremony.

Advancement:

- Electives 18a and 18b: Have a den family picnic.
- Electives 19a, 19b, 19c, 19d, 19e, and 19f: While people are eating, identify five kinds of fish and discuss the rules of safe fishing. Once everyone is finished eating, demonstrate and then have the boys show how to safely use a rod and reel. Have the boys rig a pole with the right kind of line, and attach a bobber and sinker. Then go fishing with an adult, following the rules for safe fishing and obeying local and state fishing regulations.

Closing:

- Hand out permission slips for the field trip at den meeting #16.
- Hand out family information letter and Computers belt loop requirements. Ask parents to work with the boys on the three requirements and bring their printed document to the next meeting. (A sample family information letter can be found at

www.scouting.org/CubScouts/Resources and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)

- Ask parents to sign for any other electives the boy has completed during the year. Remind the boys to bring their handbooks to the next meeting to review and sign-off any additional electives they may have completed outside of the den meetings during the year.

Next Up:

- For den meeting #16 (the last meeting of the year), arrange for a trip to a local ice cream shop or other fun place to reward yearlong good behavior.



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Wolf Den Meeting #16

Enjoy a trip to a local ice cream shop or other fun place to reward yearlong good behavior.

Gathering:

- Collect permission slips as boys arrive.

Advancement:

- All boys should now have earned their Cub Scout World Conservation Award.
- Review and sign each boy's book for all other electives you know the boy has completed. Some electives may have been completed at school, on a sports team, or as part of a Cub Scout pack activity. Ask parents to sign for any other electives the boy has completed. Tally them to make sure each boy receives as many Arrow Points and belt loops as possible by the end of the school year.

Next Up:

- Encourage boys to participate in your pack's summertime activities, such as marching in parades, going to a ball game, having a campfire and marshmallow roast, and participating in Cub Scout day camp. Boys may be able to earn the National Summertime Pack Award pin by participating in events.
- It is recommended that the den (now a Bear Cub Scout den!) plan an activity or outing at least once a month during the summer so that the den will qualify for the National Den Award. (The National Den Award requirements and application can be found at www.scouting.org/CubScouts/CubScoutingForms/forms and on the CD in the Resources folder on the main menu.)