WEBELOS Weekend Leader Guide

What:

WEBELOS Weekend is an opportunity for Cub Scouts (Bears, Webelos, and AOLs) who will soon be crossing over into Scouts BSA to spend a weekend experiencing camping as a member of a Scouts BSA Troop.

Where:

Pine Hill Scout Reservation, 120 Watsontown New Freedom Road, Pine Hill, NJ 08021

When:

April 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2024

Who:

All registered Bears, WEBELOS, and Arrow of Light Scouts in Cub Scout Packs

Questions and Answers:

- Are Parents of cubs allowed to attend?
 - Yes, Parents are allowed to attend. Bear Cubs must have a parent or guardian attend.
- What does it cost?
 - o The fee to attend is \$10.00 for all Cubs and Cub Parents and leaders.
- Do I need to camp to attend?
 - NO. Cub Scouts may elect to attend Saturday Only but must be accompanied by a parent or quardian.
- Do I need to have camping equipment?
 - Yes, unfortunately we cannot provide camping equipment.
- My Pack is not coming, can I still attend?
 - Yes, individual Cubs may attend, however a parent or Guardian must accompany the Cub Scout.
- Can a Cub Pack camp with a Scouts BSA Troop?
 - Yes, a Cub Pack may be invited by a Troop to camp with them.
- What if we are not camping with a Scouts BSA Troop?
 - Packs and Individual Cubs not camping with a Troop will use the Parade Field for camping.
- Where will the opening Ceremony be held?
 - o In the campfire circle.
- Do I need to register?
 - Yes, all scouts and parents who are in attendance MUST register.

- What time does the event start?
 - o Check in for camping will open at 6:00 pm on Friday April 5th, 2024.
 - o The opening ceremony will be held at 8:30 am on Saturday April 6th, 2024.
- Do I need medical forms?
 - o The Pack and Troops attending should have a current BSA Medical form for all Youth and Adults attending. If attending without a Pack, the Cub's Parent/Guardian must carry a copy of the forms for them and their Cub.
 - o Medical forms will NOT be collected.
- How does my unit comply with the Youth Protection Policies?
 - o Two Registered Adults with current YPT must be in attendance with your Pack.
- Will I be allowed to drive to my campsite?
 - Yes, one car at a time from each unit will be allowed to drive to the campsite to drop off items. After dropping off equipment/campers the car must be moved to the parking area.
 - o Unit trailers and the vehicle pulling it will be allowed to remain at the camp site.
 - o Units camping in the Parade Field will need to move trailers to adjacent parking area.
- Hazardous Weather:
 - o In the event of hazardous weather, we will shelter in place at either Webster Lodge or the Dining Hall unless directed to vacate the camp by the Campmaster.
- Where will the Scouts BSA Troops be camping?
 - Scouts BSA troops will use the following campsites: Bowie, Crockett, Boone, and Carson. They will be directed by the Campmaster when they check in and present their roster for the weekend.
- Where will the Cub Scouts be camping?
 - Cub Scout Packs and individual Cubs NOT camping with a Scouts BSA Troop will use the Parade Field for overnight camping. They will be directed by the Campmaster when they check in and present their roster for the weekend.
- Does my Scout need to wear his/her uniform?
 - No. Uniforms are not required. Activity shirts are recommended, and always Be Prepared for the weather.
 - o Members of the event staff will be in uniform throughout the weekend.
- Will food be provided?
 - No. Each Pack or individual Cub family will be responsible for their own food and cooking. Cub Packs that are camping with a Scouts BSA Troop should work with their host Troop regarding food for the weekend.
- Cold weather



 There will be limited sleeping space at the Webster lodge if the overnight temperatures drop too low for comfortable Cub sleeping. Priority will be given to Cub Scouts and their guardians, in accordance with the Guide to Safe Scouting.

Event Details:

Scouts BSA is a youth-led program, where the scouts run the program with guidance from the adult leaders. Within each troop you will find Patrols. Each Patrol is led by a Patrol Leader who reports to a Senior Patrol Leader.

Cubs attending WEBELOS weekend will be assigned to a temporary Scouts BSA Patrol. To each of these temporary Patrols we will assign a Patrol Leader from one of the Scouts BSA Troops in attendance. The Patrol Leader will lead their Patrol as they visit the different stations. At each station, the Cubs will experience a different portion of the Scouts BSA world.

Parents are encouraged to follow their scouts' Patrol as they visit the different stations, but we ask that they allow the Patrol Leader to lead their patrols.

One of the most common phrases heard during any event is "Go ask your Patrol Leader", when an adult leader is approached by a youth member. We are there to help but try to only intervene when we see a Safety or Youth Protection Issue.

Saturday evening, we will have a campfire in the Campfire circle. Each Patrol will be asked to perform a song or skit. This is long standing tradition in Scouts BSA. One of the stations that the scouts will attend during the day is to prepare for the campfire.

There will be time set aside on Saturday for the Packs/individual Cubs to prepare their noon meal. Packs that are camping with a Scouts BSA troop should coordinate with the Troop that invited them to camp with them regarding meals. Fire rings will be made available in the Parade field.

Event Contacts:

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