



CUB SCOUT PARENTS' ORIENTATION GUIDE



At tonight's meeting, we will:

- Inform parents and boys about Cub Scouting
- Invite boys to join Cub Scouting
- Involve parents in the program

YOUR SON, SCOUTING, AND YOU AN AID TO PARENTS

As a parent, you want your son to grow up to be a self-reliant, dependable and caring individual. Scouting has these same goals in mind for him. Since 1910 we have been weaving lifetime values into fun and educational activities designed to assist parents in strengthening character, good citizenship, and physical fitness in youth.

Scouting teaches family values...We know that boys do not join Scouting just to get their character built. Boys join because it is fun.

SCOUTING IS FUN WITH A PURPOSE!



*"In Bay-Lakes Council,
over 18,000 boys were
registered as Cub Scouts
at the end of 2015!"*

TIGER PROGRAM

First Grade

- I. Tiger Scouts is a one-on-one program for boys and adults.
- II. Each boy/adult team is a member of a Tiger Den, which:
 - A. Has three to eight boy/adult teams.
 - B. Meets 1-2 times each month.
 - C. Meetings focus around topics such as: communication, family, outdoors and character
- III. Each den has a Tiger Cub den leader.
 - A. A Tiger Den Leader helps coordinate the Tiger Den meetings
 - B. Each boy/adult team takes a turn running the activities and working with the Tiger Den Leader.

CUB SCOUT PROGRAM

Second Through Fifth Grade

Your boy is a member of a Den which:

- A. Has four to eight boys.
- B. Meets 1-2 times a month, regularly scheduled at the Den's convenience.
- C. Is led by a Den Leader (usually a parent).
- D. The Den Leader is assisted by an Assistant Den Leader, and often a Den Chief (an older Boy Scout), and a Denner (a Cub Scout elected by Den members).
- E. Den meetings include games, crafts, skits, songs, ceremonies and periodic field trips.

THE CUB SCOUT PACK

First Through Fifth Grade

Your boy is a member of a pack which:

- A. Is made up of one or more Dens.
- B. Meets once a month at the Pack meeting – all Tiger and Cub Scout families are expected to participate.
- C. The pack meeting is led by the Cubmaster.
- D. The pack meeting is the climax of the month's den meeting and activities.
- E. Pack meetings have games, skits, songs, ceremonies, and presentation of badges that boys earned that month.

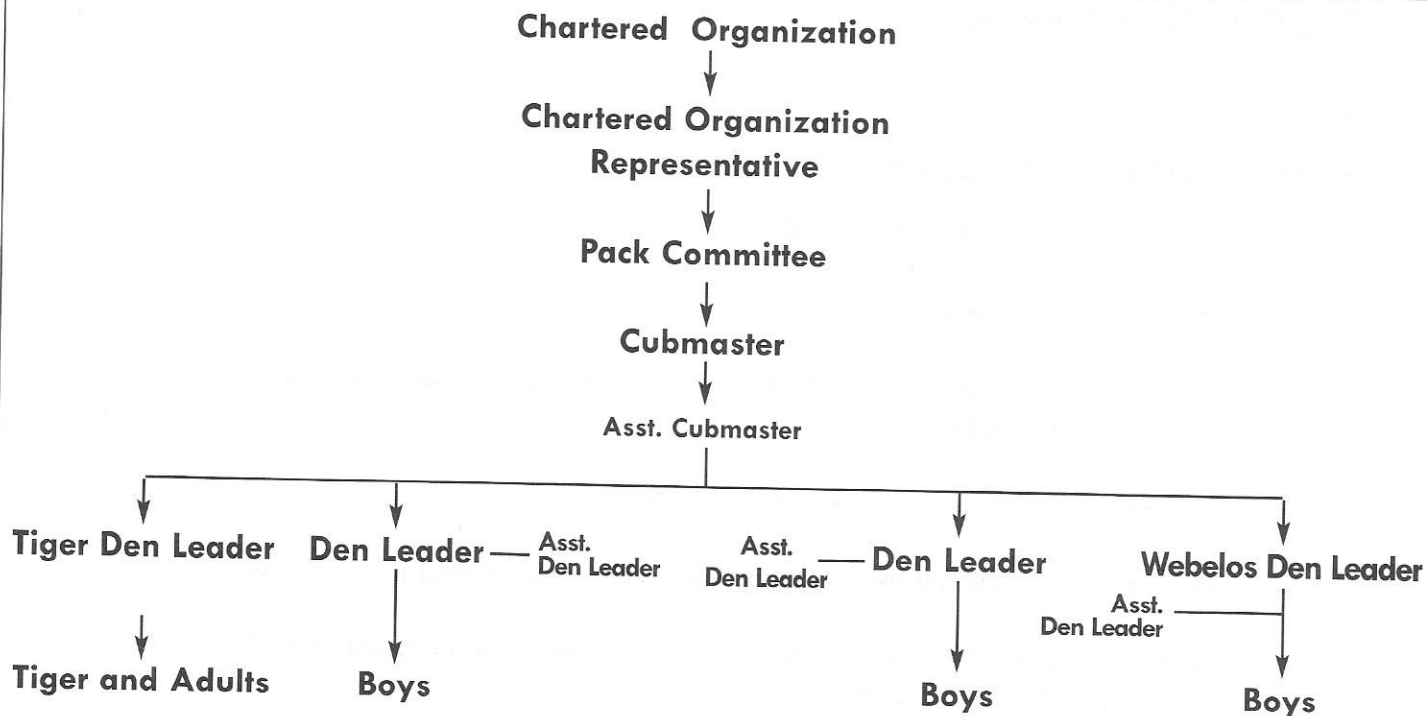
THE PACK COMMITTEE

I. Our Pack is run by the volunteer Pack Committee

- A. The Pack Committee is made up of the Committee Chair and all registered committee members.
- B. We meet once a month or more often if needed. All leaders and parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- C. Led by a volunteer Committee Chair.
- D. The committee selects leadership, finds meeting places, performs record keeping, manages Pack finances, orders badges, maintains pack equipment, helps train leaders, and recognizes leaders.

II. Our Pack is owned by a Chartered Organization

- A. Chartered Organizations include schools, parent-school organizations, religious organizations, service clubs, and other organizations interested in youth.
- B. Our Chartered Organization approves leadership, helps secure a meeting place, and keeps the Pack within sponsor's and Boy Scout guidelines and policies.
- C. Our Chartered Organization selects a chartered organization representative (a liaison between our pack and our sponsor).



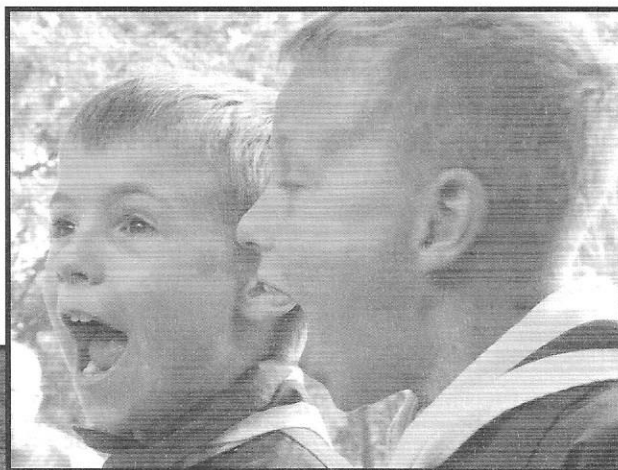
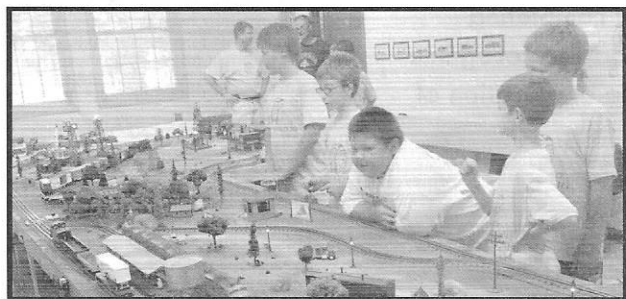
CUB SCOUT MOTTO: DO YOUR BEST

In a society where your son is often taught that winning is everything, Cub Scouting teaches him to “do his best” and to be helpful to others as expressed in the Cub Scout Oath & Law.

Cub Scouting is a home and neighborhood centered program designed to support family life for boys in first through fifth grades. Each Cub Scout learns to respect God, his Country, his home, and other people. The program also helps boys this age to:

- Learn new physical skills through sports, crafts, and games.
- Learn how to get along with others through group activities.
- Reinforce mental skills such as writing and calculating.
- Develop personal independence.

A Cub Scout Den provides your son with a group of boys his own age in which he can earn awards and recognition. In the Den, he will also gain a sense of personal achievement for the new skills he learns.



THE ADVANCEMENT PLAN



BOBCAT

All boys, in 1st thru 5th grade earn the Bobcat badge first, by learning the Scout Oath, Law, handshake, salute, sign, motto, and meaning of "Webelos." After receiving the Bobcat badge, the boys work on the rank for their grade level.

TIGER (1st GRADE)

The Tiger badge is earned after completing seven den-based adventures (six required and one elective). Each adventure will take 2-3 meetings to complete and has at least one requirement that can be done at home with the boy's adult partner. After completing each adventure boys will be presented with a belt loop to recognize their achievement. Adventures at this level will include exploration of Nature, Sports, Teamwork, and Nutrition.



WOLF (2nd GRADE)

A Cub Scout who has completed first grade (or is age 8), can begin working towards the Wolf badge. The Wolf badge is earned after completing seven den-based adventures (six required and one elective). Each adventure will take 2-3 meetings to complete and has at least one requirement that can be done at home with the boy's family. After completing each adventure boys will be presented with a belt loop to recognize their achievement. Adventures at this level will include exploration of Camping, Citizenship, Communication, and Fitness.

After he earns his Wolf badge, a boy may work on additional electives in different interest areas until he is old enough to begin work on the next rank.



BEAR (3rd GRADE)



A Cub Scout who has completed the second grade (or is age 9), can begin working towards the Bear badge. The Bear badge is earned after completing seven Den-based adventures (six required and one elective). Each adventure will take 2-3 meetings to complete and has at least one requirement that can be done at home with the boy's family. After completing each adventure boys will be presented with a belt loop to recognize their achievement. Adventures at this level will include exploration of Knife Safety, Camp Cooking, Wildlife Conservation, and Community Service.

After he earns his Wolf badge, a boy may work on additional electives in different interest areas until he is old enough to begin work on the next rank.

WEBELOS (4th & 5th GRADE)

When a Cub Scout has completed the third grade (or becomes 10 years old), he transfers to a Webelos den. Webelos is short for "We'll-be-loyal-scouts." The Webelos badge is earned after completing seven den-based adventures (five required and two electives). Each adventure will take 2-3 meetings to complete and has at least one requirement that can be done at home with the boy's family. After completing each adventure boys will be presented with an adventure pin to recognize their achievement. The pins may be worn on the Webelos colors or on the front of the Webelos cap. There are over 30 Webelos adventures to choose from and include First Aid, Geocaching, Science, and Disabilities Awareness.



During the fifth grade year, Webelos will begin working towards the Arrow of Light award (the highest award in Cub Scouting). Boys who join Cub Scouts in the fifth grade do not have to complete the Webelos award before working towards their Arrow of Light. In February of a Webelos Scout's fifth grade year, he graduates from Cub Scouting into the adventure of Boy Scouting at an impressive graduation ceremony. Every boy deserves an opportunity to be a Boy Scout.

SCOUT OATH (OR PROMISE)

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.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Beyond the many exciting adventures each Pack plans on an annual basis, the Bay-Lakes Council provides many exciting opportunities throughout the year for Dens, Packs, or individual families to participate. To find a complete and current listing of upcoming events, visit the Bay-Lakes Council's website at www.baylakesbsa.org and click on "Calendar". You may also wish to sign up for the Council's electronic monthly newsletter by clicking on "E-list signup".

SAMPLE ACTIVITIES



CUB SCOUT DISTRICT ACTIVITY DAYS: An activity for all Cub Scouts that include crafts, games, nature, sports, songs, and skits. Camps run one day at various locations within the district.

CUB SCOUT WORLD, CAMP ROKILIO: A four day and three night camping experience for Cub Scouts. Activities include swimming, climbing, sports, games, and more!

TWIN LAKES WEBELOS CAMP: A four day and three night camping experience for Webelos. Activities include swimming, climbing, sports, games, and more!

ROKILIO EXPERIENCE: A one-day Cub Scout experience at Cub Scout World, Camp Rokilio.

MOM and SON & DAD and LAD: Family camping weekends held in the spring and fall for a parent and their son.

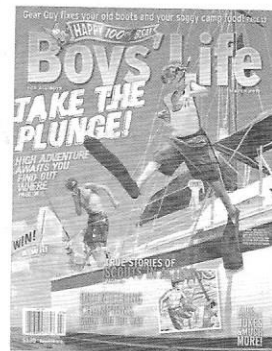
STEM DAYS: These special one-day events focus on the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. Past events have included Maple Syrup production, Rocket Launching, Robotics, and the Pinewood Derby race.

TIMBER RATTLER'S OVERNIGHT: An annual event hosted by Appleton's minor league baseball team. In addition to the game, Cub Scouts participate in a pre-game parade, games, and a sleep-over in the outfield.

BOYS' LIFE MAGAZINE

Boys' Life has interesting features on Scouting, sports, hobbies, magic, science, and U.S. history. There are also jokes, comics, and short stories. This magazine costs just \$12.00 per year. There are special Tiger and Cub Scout editions.

Cub Scouts who subscribe to **Boys' Life** stay in Cub Scouting longer, advance in rank faster and more often, and are more active in Den and Pack activities than non-subscribers. And, because **Boys' Life** is delivered to the home, its value to family support is immeasurable.



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Scouting operates through volunteer leadership. Volunteer leaders exemplify Scouting's principle of service to others. Naturally, parents are the primary source of leaders in the Scouting program. You volunteer not only to serve Scouting, but also to help your son and his friends, and to have the chance to be a positive influence on the youth in your community.

WHAT DO YOU RECEIVE IN RETURN?

Being a leader is fun, challenging, and rewarding. Leaders find that their experiences help them to become better parents. The following are some of the many dividends that will enrich your life as you dedicate your time, talents, and enthusiasm to Scouting:

- Fun and fellowship with other families, sharing your pride in the boys' accomplishments.
- The privilege of helping to enrich and strengthen families.
- A chance to help boys learn good citizenship and to help shape them into men who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others.
- The opportunity to help make a difference in the lives of boys as they grow strong in mind and body.
- A code to live by which will set a worthwhile example for both boys and adults.
- The satisfaction of being a member of a worldwide movement, and pride in being publicly identified as a part of this organization -- wearing the Scouting uniform is a visible means of showing you believe in and stand up for the ideals and objectives of the Boy Scouts of America.

PACK VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP

DEN LEADER(S)

Leads the den at weekly den and monthly pack meetings. Attends the monthly pack leaders' meeting. Gets great ideas by attending the monthly district roundtable.

CUBMASTER

Helps plan and carry out the pack program with the help of the pack committee. Emcees monthly pack meeting and attends the pack leaders' meeting. Also should attend the district's monthly roundtable.

PLANNED PROGRAM (Pre-planned Den Meetings for Leaders)

Den Meetings, in lesson-plan form, are available in the Den Leader Guide.

PACK COMMITTEE

Pack committee members (positions listed below) perform administrative functions of the pack.

COMMITTEE CHAIR

Presides at all pack committee meetings. Helps recruit adult leaders. Also attends pack meetings.

SECRETARY / TREASURER

Keeps all records for the pack, including pack bank account, financial records, etc. Attends pack meetings and pack committee meetings.

ADVANCEMENT CHAIR

Maintains advancement records for the pack. Orders and obtains all badges and insignia. Attends pack meetings and committee meetings.

PARENT HELPERS

Perform "one shot" program jobs such as coordinating pack participation in sales events, Scouting for Food, pinewood derby, blue and gold banquet, day camp, etc. These jobs are of short duration.

PACK TRAINER

Coordinates training for adults, organizes the Tiger Cub dens and promotes leader training and roundtable meeting attendance.

MEMBERSHIP

Maintain accurate records of all youth and leaders in the pack. Make sure everyone is registered with the Boy Scouts of America. Conduct recruitment efforts to add new boys. Assist with the recharter process. Promote *Boys' Life*.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

- Each District has at least 1 full-time professional staff member, or District Executive. Contact the Bay-Lakes Council, Center for Scouting, to reach your District Executive for help.

Phone # - (920) 734-5705
Toll Free - (800) 372-6887
Fax - (920) 734-1991
Website - www.baylakesbsa.org

- Roundtable, a monthly leaders' meeting for all adult volunteers in your district, is available. You can get help with crafts, games, skits, and songs for use at den and pack meetings. It's a great place to ask questions and share ideas with other experienced leaders.
- The Den Leader Guide contains meeting plans for den and pack meetings and shows you how to do crafts and games. The Guide is available from local Scout Shops and can be purchased online at www.scoutstuff.org. It is also available in electronic format at www.scouting.org for free.
- Your district has a team of volunteers called the district committee which develops quality district-wide programs in which boys can participate.
- Your district has another volunteer team called the commissioner staff. They are our "service team." They check on the health of your pack and are a communications link between your pack and the Scouting organization. A commissioner is assigned to assist your unit.
- On-line training is available for all leaders at myscouting.org. All leaders need training!
- We have award winning videos for teaching Scouts and adults about child abuse protections and avoiding potentially dangerous situations. These videos can be found at www.baylakesbsa.org/training.
- **Bay-Lakes Scout Shops**
The staff will help you with all of your Scouting supplies and uniforms.

You can also purchase supplies and uniforms online at www.scoutstuff.org and use their "Find a Location" search to find other area shops near where you live.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

My Pack number is _____

My Den number is _____

My Scouting District is _____

My Council is **BAY-LAKES COUNCIL**, 2555 Northern Road, PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912-0267.

My Den Leader's name is _____

My Den Leader's phone number is _____

My Den meets on _____

My Den meets at _____

My Cubmaster's name is _____

My Cubmaster's phone number is _____

My Pack meets on _____

My Pack meets at _____

My Unit Commissioner's name is _____

WHAT THE BEST DRESSED SCOUTS ARE WEARING!

One of the methods that Scouting uses to instill its value driven message is proper uniforming.
Every boy and every leader that works with boys needs to wear a uniform.

WELCOME TO SCOUTING & THE BAY-LAKES SCOUT SHOPS!

New Member Checklist:

Cub Scouts: ☐ Tiger Cub ☐ Wolf ☐ Bear ☐ Webelos Scout

Pack # _____ Den # _____

Program Handbook:

- ☐ Tiger Cub (1st grade)
- ☐ Wolf (2nd grade)
- ☐ Bear (3rd grade)
- ☐ Webelos (4-5th grade)

Uniforms:

- ☐ Cub Scout Shirt-Short or Long Sleeve
- ☐ Tiger Cub Belt & Buckle
- ☐ Cub Scout Belt & Buckle
- ☐ Webelos Buckle
- ☐ Tiger Cub Cap
- ☐ Wolf Cap / Bear Cap
- ☐ Webelos Cap
- ☐ Cub Scout Switchback Pants
- ☐ Tiger Cub/Cub Scout Socks

Insignia:

- ☐ Council Shoulder Insignia
- ☐ Unit Numeral
- ☐ Den Numeral
- ☐ World Crest Emblem
- ☐ Webelos Colors

Neckerchiefs/Slide

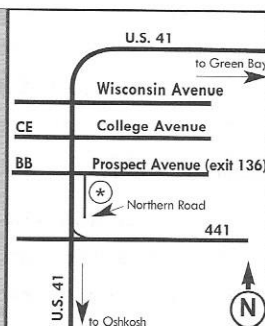
- ☐ Tiger Cub
- ☐ Wolf
- ☐ Bear
- ☐ Webelos

NOTE: Wearing the full uniform plays an important part in the recognition and self-esteem elements of all Scouting programs. The items above can be purchased at all Bay-Lakes Scout Shop locations. For fast mail order service call (920) 831-9504. View www.scoutstuff.org for additional information and items.

BAY-LAKES SCOUT SHOP
2555 Northern Road
Appleton, WI 54914

Phone: (920) 831-9504
Fax: (920) 831-9507
M-F: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
SAT: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

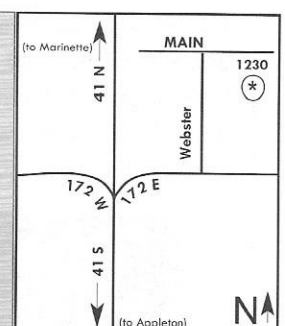
Territory Manager: Ragina Wegner
Senior Store Manager: Tom DeYoung



BAY-LAKES NORTH
1230 E. Main Street
Green Bay, WI 54302

Phone: (920) 438-3999
Fax: (920) 321-0550
M-F: 9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
SAT: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Manager: Lynn Bertrand



www.baylakesbsa.org

Uniform

CAMPING INFORMATION

CUB SCOUT WORLD:

- An accredited summer camp
- 4 days & 3 nights of camping FUN
- Sleeping in heated & enclosed theme buildings
- Free t-shirt upon arrival
- 24 hour on-site medical staff
- Top quality & caring camp staff
- Campfires, s'mores & stories
- Special programs for Webelos only!
- BB Gun and archery ranges



DISTRICT ACTIVITY DAYS:

District Activity Days are theme-oriented outdoor activity days designed to give Cub Scouts an opportunity to experience a variety of games, fun and adventure with friends.

They are held in several different locations throughout Eastern Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula and are led by a well-trained staff of volunteers.

Check out www.baylakesbsa.org
Or call 1-800-3SCOUTS



ROKILIO EXPERIENCE:

New to Cub Scouting? Think you might like to spend a day on a Viking Ship, or explore the rooms of a Medieval Castle? How about seeing a Space Station or a Frontier Wilderness Fort? Well, here is your chance.

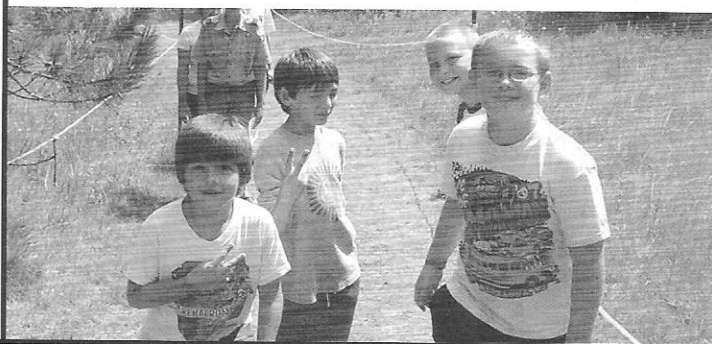
Core camps are held on two different Saturdays and take place at Cub Scout World, Camp Rokilio in Kiel, WI.

Tiger Cub Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts, along with their parents, are encouraged to sign up for a full day of fun and activities centered around the theme buildings at camp.

Once you see the camp and experience a piece of all you can do there, we are sure you will want to come back for the summer resident camp program. It is a great place to be!

WEBELOS RESIDENT CAMP:

A four day and three night camping experience for Webelos. Activities include swimming, sports, games, and more!



Camp Hiawatha Cub Scout & Webelos Resident Camp Munising, MI

A four day and three night camping experience for Cub Scouts & Webelos in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Activities include swimming, sports, games, and much more!



MOM & SON

- Open to all moms and registered Scouts
- Held in Spring and Fall at Bear Paw and Cub Scout World, Camp Rokilio
- BB Gun, Archery, Cross Cut Saw, Branding, Monkey Bridge, Field Sports
- Pitch and sleep in your own tent
- Camp provides 4 meals, programs, souvenir store, and special patch
- Registration is by individual on a first-come-first-served basis
- Medical Record A & B required for all campers.

DAD & LAD

- Open to all dads and registered Scout(s)
- Held at Bear Paw Scout Camp in Mountain, WI
- Pitch and sleep in your own tent
- Eat in the comfort of a full service dining hall
- Share in BB Guns, archery, field games, fire building, compass, and more!
- Medical Record A & B required for all campers.

NOTES

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