2015 Program Changes
CUB SCOUTS AND BOY SCOUTS

Contact 411@scouting.org with questions.
We have changed our programs to reflect the results of a thorough program review and assessment that clearly identifies those elements that are appealing, exciting and culturally relevant to today’s youth and families.

The BSA’s programs match what today’s youth both want and need.
Task Force Structure

- Roughly Seventy-Five (75) Volunteers
- Nationally Representative
- Networked to other functions and discipline
  - Religious Relations Committee
  - Aquatics Task Force
  - Program Impact, etc.
- Governance thru the Program Content Support Committee to the National Board

Chair
Russ Hunsaker

- Character
  Betsy Eubanks
- Citizenship
  Al Patrick
- Personal Fitness
  Scott Armstrong
- Outdoor Skills ...
  John Savage
- Leadership Devl.
  Brad Smith
- Advancement
  Diane Cannon

December 2013
Timeline & Organizing Principles

- Assessment
- Design
- Development
- Production
- Launch

Character Development
Participatory Citizenship
Personal Fitness
Outdoor Skills/Awareness
Leadership Development

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| Outdoor Program    | Summer 2016                                      |
One Oath and Law

Adopt the Scout Oath and Law for use in the Cub Scout & Venturing program, retiring the Cub Scout Promise & Venturing Oath.

– Revise the Core Values of Cub Scouts to align exactly with the twelve points of the Scout Law.
– Retire the Law of the Pack, while maintaining the concept of “Akela” as leader.
– Maintain the current Cub Scout motto, sign, salute, and handshake.
– Venturers will use the Scout sign and salute.
Cub Scout Adventures – New Program Model
Cub Scout Program Design Objectives

Desire To Reduce Complexity

Opportunity To Enhance Fun w/ Academics & Sports Pgrm

More Purposeful Alignment with Mission & Aims

Den-based Advancement Model

Program Design
Organizing Principle – All Ranks

- Character Development
- Leadership & Life Skills
- Participatory Citizenship
- Outdoor Skills & Awareness
- Personal Fitness
New Program Model

Rank Advancement Thru Adventures

• For each rank, complete seven den-based adventures, including a family-based “Duty to God” adventure, to earn rank

• Adventures = interdisciplinary, theme-based experiences, 3 den meetings

• Immediate recognition after each adventure (TBD)

• Elective adventures available; same recognition approach
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**Simplified, all-in-one-place materials for den leaders**

**One guide per rank.**
Cub Scout Change Summary

NOT Changing
• Family focus
• Ranks or approach
• Ages (or genders)
• Den/pack meeting structures
• Outdoor program
• Delivery model
• Fun – even more than before

CHANGING
• Oath & Law
• Tiger Cub becomes Tiger with new image
• Arrow of Light will no longer require earning Webelos
• Activities – more active, more aligned with Aims/Mission
• Advancement – simplified
• Academics & Sports program discontinued (5/15)
• Current immediate/elective recognition devices replaced
• One Den Leader Guide per rank

December 2013
Cub Scout - Transition

Today

May 2015

ALL UNITS CURRENT REQUIREMENTS

Den-based Decision
1. If filling out with prior rank’s electives = Current Requirements
2. If moving on to new rank’s advancement = New Requirements

Beginning of 2015/2016 Scouting Year (Aug-Sept for most units)

ALL UNITS NEW REQUIREMENTS

December 2013
Special Transition Situations

- Boys Earning Their Webelos Badge Prior to June 1, 2015
- Boys joining Cub Scouts after May 31, 2015 and meeting the qualifications to join an AOL den
- Boys transitioning between ranks and members of units sponsored by the LDS church
Boys Earning Their Webelos Badge Prior to June 1, 2014

• May continue to work out of the current handbook and complete the AOL requirements as stated.
• May convert to the new handbook and requirements:
  – Must complete the four defined required adventures
  – To satisfy the requirement for three electives may utilize EITHER the new adventure electives OR electives earned under the current program NOT USED TO FULFILL WEBELOS RANK REQUIREMENTS
Joining Cub Scouts At 5th Grade

Boys joining Cub Scouts after May 31, 2015 and meeting the qualifications to join an AOL den

- Shall utilize the new program requirements and handbook
- They MAY substitute any of the new program WEBELOS required adventures for the three required electives of Arrow of Light
Boy Scouts
Boy Scout Change Summary

**NOT Changing**
- Current ranks or approach (T-1 concurrent; S-E sequential)
- Use of merit badge program

**CHANGING**
- Scout becomes a rank
- Additions:
  - Service @ all ranks (conservation related at Life)
  - Health eating/habits
  - Some reordering (T-1)
  - Physical fitness at each rank – T-1
  - Outdoor ethics – LNT & TL
  - Weather safety, risk assessment & mitigation
  - Duty to God incorporated in requirement to show Scout Spirit.
Boy Scouts - Transition

Today

May 2014

May 2015

January 2016

Current Requirements

Current Requirements MUST Be Used

New Requirements

New Requirements Released

New Requirements MUST Be Used

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