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The Bobcat requirements include:

- Learn and say the Cub Scout motto, the Scout Oath, and the Scout Law and tell what they mean;
- Show the Cub Scout sign, salute, and handshake and tell what they mean;
- With your parent or guardian complete the exercises in the pamphlet How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent’s Guide.

**TIGER WOLF BEAR**

The Tiger rank is for youth who are in first grade or are age 7. To earn the Tiger badge, a Scout must complete six required adventures with their den or family and one elective adventure of the den or family’s choosing.

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**WEBELOS ARROW OF LIGHT**

Webelos dens are for youth who have completed third grade (or reached age 10). Webelos Scouts get to work on the five required Webelos adventures and choose two of the 18 elective adventures that are shared by the Webelos and Arrow of Light ranks.

The highest rank in Cub Scouting is the Arrow of Light. Earning this rank prepares a Webelos Scout to join a Troop. Scouts must complete four required adventures and three elective adventures to earn the Arrow of Light rank.

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The Boy Scouts' national council charges $33 per year to be a Scout plus a $1 insurance fee. The fee is prorated through the year.

Scouts joining in Sept. pay $12.00
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Families may subscribe to Boys' Life magazine for $12.00 per year. Subscribers receive a monthly magazine addressed to the Scout showing Scouts in action and Scout Skills. Boys' Life encourages Scouts to read for fun.

REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE

We believe Scouting should be available to all families. Assistance is available in case of financial hardship or need.

Registration assistance may be requested from the Sam Houston Area Council through your Cub Scout Pack.

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Scouts are encouraged to fundraise to help pay for their adventures and experiences. Fundraising allows youth to learn the value of hard work and taking ownership of their program.

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PACK FEES AND ADDITIONAL EXPENSES
THE YOUTH APPLICATION

Welcome to Cub Scouts! To join, please make sure to fill in all the highlighted fields on the below example application (all fields are preferred):

JOIN ONLINE

Many Cub Scout Packs allow for online registrations. If you or your friends are interested in joining, share this link or direct them to www.BeAScout.org.

Just for signing up, you’ll receive a FREE model rocket to start your Scouting Adventure!

GETTING INVOLVED

Thank you for volunteering as an Adult Scouter! Without you, this program could not exist.

We need volunteers to help with:
- Den Meetings (Den Leaders)
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