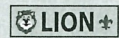


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Your Uniform Checklist



Lion

UNIFORM

- Lion Short-sleeve T-shirt
- Lion Cap

OPTIONAL UNIFORM BOTTOMS

- Switchbacks®
- Girls' Roll-up Pants
- Girls' Skort
- Shorts

Cub Scouts® - Tiger, Wolf and Bear

UNIFORM

- Long-sleeve Shirt
- Short-sleeve Shirt
- Switchbacks®
- Girls' Roll-up Pants
- Girls' Skort
- Shorts
- Cub Scout Rank Cap
- Tiger or Cub Scout Web Belt

- Neckerchief – Tiger, Wolf, or Bear
- Cub Scout Neckerchief Slide
- Cub Scout Socks

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Pack Numbers (Red)
- Den Number

Webelos®

UNIFORM

- Boy's Micropoly or Poplin Short/Long-sleeve Shirt
- Girl's Micropoly Short-sleeve Shirt
- Boy's Micropoly or Canvas Switchbacks
- Girl's Performance Roll-up Pants
- Girl's Performance Shorts
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Skorts*
- Webelos Cap
- Plaid Neckerchief
- Cub Scout Web Belt
- Scouts BSA Socks

- Webelos Neckerchief Slide
- Webelos Colors
- Shoulder Loops (Blue)

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- Patrol Emblem
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Pack Numbers (Red)
- Den Number

Scouts BSA®

UNIFORM

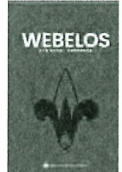
- Boy's & Men's Micropoly or Poplin Short/Long-sleeve Shirt*
- Girl's & Ladies' Poplin Short-sleeve Shirt*
- Boy's & Men's Micropoly or Canvas Switchbacks*
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Roll-up Pants*
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Shorts*
- Girl's & Ladies' Performance Skorts*
- Scouts BSA Cap
- Scouts BSA Web Belt
- Merit Badge Sash

- Neckerchief
- Scouts BSA Socks
- Neckerchief Slide
- Shoulder Loops (Green)

INSIGNIA

- Council Shoulder Patch
- Patrol Emblem
- World Crest Emblem
- World Crest Ring
- Troop Numerals (Tan)

Handbooks



Lion Kit

Tiger

Wolf

Bear

Webelos

Scouts BSA (Boys & Girls Ver.)

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| Cub Scout Pack # | Cub Scout Den # | Scouts BSA Troop # |
| Den Leader | Phone # | Patrol Name |
| Cubmaster | Phone # | Troop Leader |
| Shirt Size | Pant Size | Phone # |

Ask sales associate for details

Prices subject to change. Tax not included. *Youth & Adult size range.

Cub Scout Parents' ORIENTATION GUIDE



Welcome to the fun and excitement of Cub Scouts!!!
Where character counts and the adventure begins....

Mid-Iowa Council
6123 Scout Trail
Des Moines, IA 50321
515-266-2135
www.midiowacouncilbsa.org



At tonight's meeting, we will:

- ◇ Inform parents about Cub Scouting
- ◇ Invite families to join Cub Scouting
- ◇ Review leadership opportunities

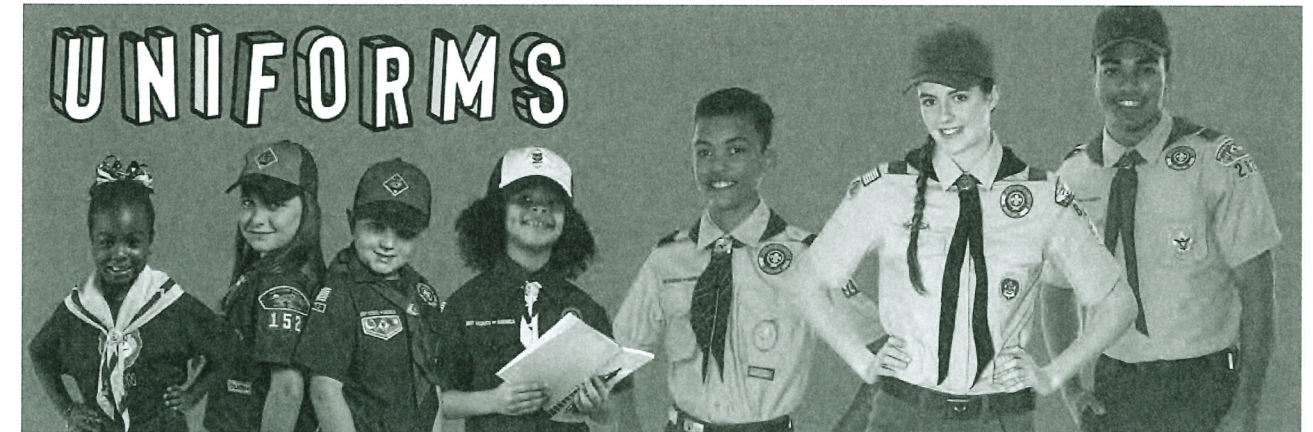
It's the Journey, not the destination that makes a Leader!

As a parent, you want your children to grow up to be a self-reliant, dependable and caring individual. Scouting has these same goals in mind for them. 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 promotes family values...however, we know that youth do not join Scouting to build their character. They join because it is fun!



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Mid-Iowa Scout Shop

HOURS:

- Monday 10am-6pm
- Tuesday 10am-6pm
- Wednesday 10am-6pm
- Thursday 10am-6pm
- Friday 10am-6pm
- Saturday 10am-4pm
- Closed Sunday

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Purchase of a Uniform Top**



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YOUR ONE-STOP SHOP FOR ALL YOUR SCOUTING NEEDS AND MORE.



HOW TO START...BASIC NEEDS FOR NEW CUB SCOUTS

Contrary to what your child may tell you, the first thing they will need to get started is not a uniform, but a book. The books in Cub Scouting are related to their age.

A kindergarten will need the Lion Cub Book, first-grader will need the Tiger Cub Book, a second-grader will need a Wolf Book, a third grader needs a Bear Book, and a fourth or fifth grader will need the Webelos Book. These books contain the basics they will need for the coming year, especially the requirements for that particular advancement award.

 **EACH CUB SCOUT GRADE LEVEL IS A RANK AND IS ASSOCIATED WITH AN ANIMAL OR SYMBOL**


LION


TIGER


WOLF


BEAR


WEBELOS



Don't get the idea that uniforms aren't important, they are. After going through the book you'll probably have a good idea how serious a Cub Scout they will be. The uniform is an important part of the program and it represents an investment on your part. Our uniforms are of very high quality and, in most cases, will last for several years. So, be sure to buy one large enough for them to grow into.

If you can find an 'experienced' uniform in good shape, be sure to get it. Many of these 'experienced' uniforms will be just like new and will be all he needs at a very low cost.

Most new Cub Scouts will need to buy a uniform. Mid-Iowa Council Scout Shop is the official distributor of BSA uniforms and equipment. It is located in the Fred Maytag II Scout Center at 6123 Scout Trail, Des Moines, IA 50321.



Lion and Tiger Cubs: Kindergarten & First Grade

Lion and Tiger Cubs is a one-on-one program for youth and adults

- ◇ Each youth/adult is a member of a Den which has five to eight youth/adult members, they meet two times each month in den meetings
- ◇ Each den has a Den Leader (usually a parent) who helps coordinate the Den Meetings
- ◇ Each youth/adult team takes a turn at shared leadership, running the activities and working with the Den Leader

Cub Scouts—Webelos: Second-Fifth grade

Cub Scouting is a family centered program

- ◇ Your child is a member of a Den which has five to nine youth and meets two to three times a month in den meetings. The Den is led by a Den Leader (usually a parent), who is assisted by an assistant Den Leader
- ◇ Den Meetings include games, crafts, skits, songs, ceremonies and periodic field trips



Your child is a member of a Pack which:

- ◇ Is made up of one or more dens.
- ◇ Meets once a month at the Pack meeting—all Cub Scout families are expected to participate.
- ◇ The Pack meeting is led by the Cubmaster and is the climax of the month's den meetings.
- ◇ Pack meetings follow a suggested theme that have games, skits, songs, ceremonies and presentation of advancement badges the boys earned that month.

Our Pack is run by the Pack Committee

- ◇ Made up of Den leaders, Pack leaders and Parents. The committee meets once a month and is led by the Committee Chairman.
- ◇ The Committee selects leadership, finds meeting places, performs record keeping, manages Pack finances, orders badges, maintains Pack equipment, helps train leaders and plans activities.



Our Pack is owned by a Chartered Organization

- ◇ Chartered Organizations include schools, parent-school organizations, religious organizations, service clubs and other organizations interested in youth.
- ◇ Our Chartering Organization approves leadership, helps secure a meeting place and keeps the Pack within both its guidelines & policies and those of the BSA.
- ◇ Our Chartering Organization selects a Chartering Organization Representative who is a liaison between our Pack and the Chartering Organization.

Goals of the Advancement Program

When implemented correctly, the advancement program will

- > Help build self-esteem
- > Help build self reliance as they discover that they are old enough to assume certain responsibilities toward other people
- > Give positive recognition that youth need
- > Bring the family closer through activities
- > Develop skills in a variety of pursuits including academics, recreation and hobbies



You are not alone!

The staff at Mid-Iowa Council's Fred Maytag II Scout Center can help you or they will get you in touch with someone who can.

Phone # - (515) 266-2135
 Website - <http://www.midiowacouncilbsa.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.





Many packs have a pack library that contains the leader books you need.

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 your "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.

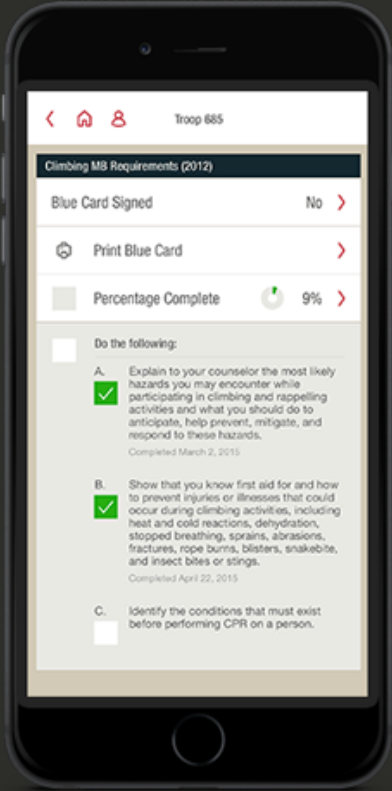

We have award winning videos online at our website for teaching Scouts and adults about child abuse protection and avoiding potentially dangerous situations.

Connect with us:

-  **Facebook:** Mid-Iowa Council Boy Scouts
-  **Twitter:** @MidIowaBSA
-  **Web Site:** <https://scoutingiowa.org>
-  **Email:** midiowa.councilbsa@scouting.org

Tracking the Scouting Experience from Tiger to Eagle Scout

From the first knot tied to final hours of service performed, the Scouting experience is a journey like no other. Scoutbook ensures not a moment is missed - tracking advancement, milestone achievements and all the fun along the way.

Our Cub Scout Pack # _____ Meets at: _____

On day: _____ & time: _____

Den Leader: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Cub Master: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



Leadership Training

Thank you so much for agreeing to be a leader in your Cub Scout Pack. We know you will have a great journey together and share many lifelong memories. The first step we are going to ask you to take in being a new leader is to complete training.

Youth Protection Training



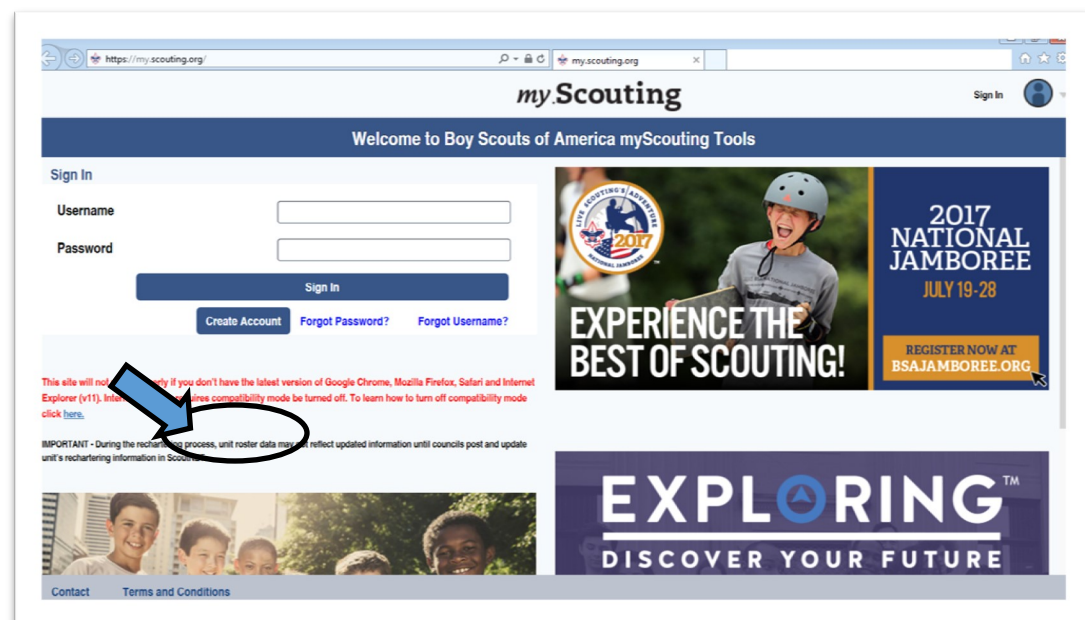
The Boy Scouts of America places the greatest importance on creating the most secure environment possible for our youth members. This training covers the BSA's Youth Protection policies, kinds of abuse, how to respond to disclosure of abuse, and proper reporting procedures. It does so by taking you through situations that require choices and produce consequences. This training is available online and in each district throughout the year. **In order for an adult to remain a registered leader in the Boy Scouts of America, Youth Protection Training is required every two years.**

Job Specific Training



...is designed to present in-depth information for a new leader in a specific leadership position such as Den Leader, Cubmaster, etc. This course is presented several times a year in your district or at the council level. Be sure to ask your unit trainer for an upcoming training date or check the Council website. This training is also available online.

To complete training courses online go to: www.my.scouting.org and create an account.

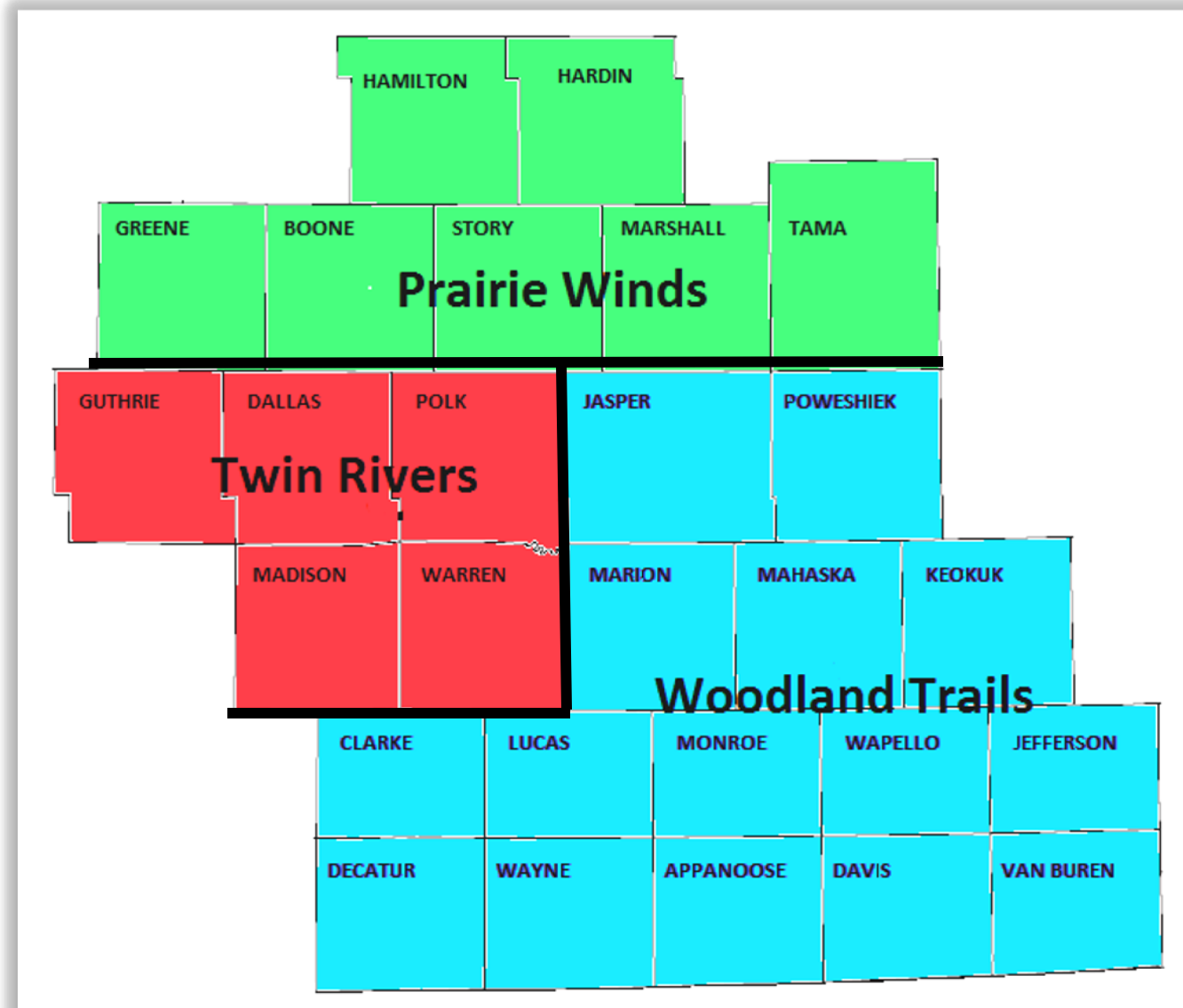


What District am I in?

Prairie Winds: Greene, Boone, Story, Hamilton, Hardin, Marshall, and Tama Counties

Twin Rivers Madison, Warren, Polk, Dallas and Guthrie Counties

Woodland Trails: Mahaska, Keokuk, Monroe, Wapello, Jefferson, Appanoose, Davis, Van Buren, Jasper, Poweshiek, Marion, Keokuk, Clarke, Lucas, and Jefferson Counties





The Role of the Council and District

The purpose of the Boy Scouts of America is to provide a program which will aid youth in: **1) Character Development, 2) Citizenship Training, and 3) Personal Fitness** (mental, physical and emotional). The purpose of the Council is to guide and support its Districts for the achievement of the movement's purpose. Mid-Iowa Council encompasses twenty seven counties in Iowa.

The purpose of the District is to organize and support successful Cub Scout Packs and Boy Scout Troops by working through chartered organizations. The end result of effective District support is continued growth in membership and those members receiving a quality program.

Special Programs



SUMMERTIME CAMPING

Cub Scout Day Camp: An activity for all Cub Scouts that includes crafts, games, nature, sports, songs, and skits. Camps run two to five days in a local park.

Cub Scout Resident Camp: A two day overnight camping experience for third graders and a parent at Mitigwa Scout Reservation. Activities include sports, archery, swimming, crafts and campfires.



Webelos Camp: A three day and two night camping experience for fourth and fifth graders at Mitigwa Scout Reservation. Activities include swimming, climbing, sports, games, model rockets and more!

PINEWOOD DERBY

Parent/youth project to build a race car made from a block of wood. Scouts will race their cars at the Pinewood Derby. Be there for the big race!



BLUE AND GOLD BANQUET

Our birthday party for Cub Scouting, usually held at the February pack meeting.

BOYS' LIFE MAGAZINE

A monthly magazine for youth and adults. Boys' Life has interesting features on Scouting, sports, hobbies, magic, science, and U.S. history. There are also jokes, comics, and short stories. The magazine is \$12.00/year for Scouts. There are special Cub Scout editions.



How Can I help?

Scouting operates through volunteer leadership. Volunteer leaders are an example of 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 child and their friends, and to have the chance to be a positive influence on the youth in your community.

What do I get 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 your child's accomplishments.
- ◇ The privilege of helping to enrich and strengthen families.
- ◇ A chance to help youth learn good citizenship and to help shape them into leaders who have strength of character and are sensitive to the needs of others.
- ◇ The opportunity to help make a difference in the lives of youth as they grow strong in mind and body.
- ◇ A code to live by which will set a worthwhile example for both youth 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 Boys Scouts of America.

DEN LEADER (s)

Leads the den at weekly den and monthly pack meetings. Attends the monthly pack leaders' meeting.

SECRETARY/TREASURER

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

CUBMASTER

Helps plan and carry out the pack program, with the help of the pack committee. Emcees the monthly pack meeting and attends the pack leaders' meeting.

ADVANCEMENT CHAIRMAN

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

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Presides at all pack committee meetings, helps recruit adult leaders, and attends pack meetings.

PARENT HELPERS

"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.