# PACK 907 LIVONIA

**Hoover Elementary** 

### CUB SCOUTS

- The Cub Scout program is a fun and educational experience built around Core Values.
- Learning through experience
- Provides a positive place where boys can enjoy safe activities and build lasting friendships
- Strengthens families by providing opportunities for family members to work and play together, to have fun together, and to get to know each other better
- Focuses on building character, improving physical fitness, teaching practical skills, and developing a spirit of community service.
- Available for boys in first through fifth grade

## CUB SCOUT CORE VALUES

Citizenship

Compassion

Cooperation

Courage

Faith

**Health and Fitness** 

Honesty

Perseverance

**Positive Attitude** 

Resourcefulness

Respect

Responsibility

### **PACK**

- A Pack is a group made up of Dens
- The Pack meets once a month with Cub Scouts, Leaders, Parents and other Family members
- The Pack sponsors Monthly Events
- The Pack is led by the Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster(s) with help and guidance from the Pack Committee
- The Pack Committee is a group of adult Volunteers who plan activities and manage record keeping, finances, recruitment and registration

### DEN

- Dens are smaller groups of boys (usually 6-8) that are in the same grade
- The Den allows boys to get to know each other better and engage in activities that would be difficult in a larger group.
- Dens are led by an adult volunteer called a Den Leader
- Dens usually have one meeting and one outing a month
- Parents participate in Den meetings and activities.

#### PACK MEETINGS

- Pack Meetings are held once a month at Hoover Elementary
- Pack Meetings open and close with a Flag Ceremony
- The Cubmaster holds an open discussion with the scouts about the Monthly Theme (tied to the Core Values)
- Details about upcoming Pack Events are discussed
- Awards are distributed
- The Scouts participate in a game or craft activity

### PACK EVENTS

#### DAY EVENTS, OVERNIGHT TRIPS AND WEEKEND CAMPS

- Spring Weekend Camp
- Fall Weekend Camp
- Corn Maze
- Winter Hike
- Pinewood Derby
- Summer Picnic and Rocket Launch
- Summer Bike Hike
- Popcorn Fundraiser
- Blue and Gold Banquet
- March in Parades

- Annual Fun Outing
  - Bowling
  - Laser Tag
  - Red Wings Scout Night
- Summer Overnight Trip
  - Toledo Mud Hens
  - Binder Park Zoo
  - Toledo Zoo
- Winter Overnight Trip
  - Shedd Aquarium
  - Kalamazoo Air Zoo
  - Silverside Submarine

#### DEN MEETINGS AND OUTINGS

- Den Meetings are usually held at a Scouts home but can be held at other locations like a library or park
- Dens usually have one meeting and one outing a month
- Meetings include handing out awards and achievements along with participating in games, crafts, outdoor activities and educational discussions
- Den Outings may include trips to parks, museums, police station, fire station, tv stations, court houses, historical buildings, sporting events and more.
- Outings and Meetings focus on completing "requirements" to earn Rank

### RANK, AWARDS AND FUN PATCHES

- Through Den Meetings and Family Activities the scout completes a series of Requirements to achieve Rank at the end of the scout year
- Rank includes Bobcat (all cub scouts), Tiger (1<sup>st</sup> Grade), Wolf (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade), Bear (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade), Webelos I (4<sup>th</sup> Grade) and Webelos II (5<sup>th</sup> Grade)
- Cub Scouts may also earn dozens of additional awards that expand upon the basic rank requirements. Examples are Belt loops, Pins, Activity Awards, Elective Arrows and Honor Awards
- Fun Patches are "earned" by participating in Pack and Den activities throughout the year.
- Rank, Awards and Fun Patches are used to give the boys a sense of pride and encourage them to try new things

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

- The success of Pack 907 would not be possible without our Parent Volunteers
- There are many ways you can help Pack 907 continue to be a quality organization
  - Be a Den Leader, Cubmaster or Assistant Cubmaster
  - Join the Pack Committee (awards chair, treasurer, newsletter, popcorn kernel, tee-shirt chair, committee chair)
  - Be part of the Pinewood Derby Pit Crew (setup tracks, store the track, run the leader board, participate in weigh in)
  - Be the "Rocket Man" at the picnic
  - Organize a Pack Event or Den Outing
  - Help the Leaders during meetings, outings and events

#### COST

- Annual \$75 Pack Dues include
  - Awards, Patches and Neckerchiefs
  - Pinewood Derby (car kit for each scout, trophies and track)
  - Rocket Launch (rocket kit for each scout, engines and launchers)
  - Monthly Pack Meetings (supplies and rentals fees)
  - Subsidized Pack Events (Summer Picnic, Pinewood Derby, parades, hikes, fundraisers and Blue and Gold Banquet (scouts))
  - BSA charter, insurance and scout/leader membership renewal fees
- Costs in addition to Pack Dues
  - \$15 one time BSA application fee
  - Uniform (Shirt, Hat, Belt)
  - Some optional Pack Events have costs (camps, overnight trips, Blue and Gold banquet (adults), corn maze, laser tag and bowling)
  - Some Den activities and outings may have minimal cost