

# **2022 Cub Scout Spring Recruitment**





Dear Cub Scout Leader,

This guidebook will assist you and your pack with recruiting new families. This is one of many tools available to help you engage your community in an exciting conversation about Scouting, both with new and former families of the Scouting program. The more ideas used in your community, the more successful your results will be!

Please continue to invite families to join Scouts and encourage your friends and neighbors to join local units so more youth can benefit from this incredible program. You and your family have experienced many of the things Scouting has to offer, and it all started with an invitation. Now it's time for you to make that same invitation to someone else. Whether it be through a friendly conversation or a post on social media, your efforts make a difference.

Thank you for all you do to support Scouting.



Cub Scout Spring Recruitment is supported by the council through a structured program for Packs that are willing to meet the expectations of conducting a Spring Recruitment campaign.

For Cub Scout Packs that are active in the summer, providing their own program as well as opportunities to attend council summer camps, Spring Recruitment is a great opportunity to grow your Pack and engage new families!

# **UNIT EXPECTATIONS**

- 1. Complete Spring Recruitment Plan worksheet in this packet.
- 2. Pack is active throughout the summer (Pack offers at least one Pack activity monthly in June, July, and August) for current and new Cub Scout families.
- 3. Pack promotes participation in <u>council summer camp opportunities</u> for current and new Cub Scout families.
- 4. Recruit potential Cub Scouts that are finishing their K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade year.
- 5. Pack conducts recruitment event between April 1 June 15. Applications for new Cub Scouts are submitted to the Scout Office in Milwaukee or Scout Shop in Kenosha or approved online within 24 hours of event.
- 6. Engage new families immediately in Pack events/activities.

# **UNIT PREPARATION**

- 1. Pack calendar, budget, fundraising plan & leadership roster in place.
- 2. Update your Pack website, Facebook page (public-facing), and BeAScout pin.
- 3. Determine leadership positions that need to be filled.
- 4. Set a new Cub Scout recruitment goal.
- 5. Schedule a Spring Recruitment event for new Cub Scouts to join your Pack (promotion is backdated from this event!).

- 6. Schedule to attend a school or community event to promote joining Cub Scouts.
- 7. Enlist help of all families to help recruit new members.
- 8. Engage your school, community, youth sports leagues, day cares, chartered organization, and anyone else to help you spread word about joining Cub Scouts.
- 9. Share your unit plans with your District Membership Team.

Use the checklist on the last page to complete Spring Recruitment preparation!

## **MARKETING STRATEGIES YOUR UNIT CAN COMPLETE!**

- Scouts wear your Scout uniform or Cub Scout Pack t-shirt.
  - At school
  - At community events
  - At public parks or other public places
- Parents/leaders wear your Scout uniform or Cub Scout Pack t-shirt.
  - Visiting your child at school during lunch
  - At community events
- Call former families and invite them to rejoin your Pack.
- Set-up a table or booth at your school's Parent-Teacher Conferences.
- Meet with your school principal. Offer your Pack to help with an ongoing project at the school. Ask how you can get in front of families to talk about Scouting (email blasts, newsletters, video announcements, social media, digital flyers, etc.).
- Ask to insert joining information in your school newsletter.
- Get a school contact list and directly invite each family to join Scouting.
- Include a Scouting activity in birthday parties.
- Ask to put joining information in your weekly church newsletter.
- Ask a local grocery store to put a poster to join Cub Scouts.
- Ask local pizza shops to include your unit's contact information on their pizza boxes.
- Put up yard signs in high-traffic areas (Three Harbors Council can help with this!).
- Have Pack Information Sheets at local ice cream shops.
- Put our Pack contact information at local coffee shops.
- Have joining information available (QR codes, Pack Information Sheet) at your popcorn sale or other unit fundraisers.
- Ask to display information about Scouting at your child's doctor's and dentist's offices.
- Recruit leaders/parents to hold banners/posters at school during student drop-off/pick-up.
- Write messages about joining Scouting on your car.
- Share service project stories with your local school district and community newspapers. Always include information to join Scouting.
- Organize or participate in "Join Cub Scouts" parades in your neighborhood.
- Create your own "Proud Parent of Pack xxx" or "Proud Pack xxx Family" yard sign.
- Host a Scout Carnival.
- Offer "Cub Scout Childcare" for school events.
- Set-up an activity or display at neighborhood events and community festivals.
- Host a fun event to attract families.
- Build a display board of all your Pack activities.
- Share your Pack events and opportunities to join through social media.
- Increase your social media awareness through boosted post advertising.
- Encourage each Scout in invite one friend not in Cub Scouts to join Scouting.

What other techniques have you used successfully? What other ideas would you like to try?

## NATIONAL SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD

# National Summertime Pack Award Application



Cub Scout Pack No	of Chartered Organization						
	-		Name				
has qualified for this award by conducti	ng a pack activity in the summer n	amer months of					
		JUNE	JULY	AUGUST			
Type of pack activity							
Number of dens participating							
Number of dens qualifying (50 percent Cub Scouts participating)	of the den's						
Number of the pack's Tiger Scouts part	icipating						
Number of the pack's Wolf Scouts parti	cipating						
Number of the pack's Bear Scouts partie	cipating						
Number of the pack's Webelos Scouts p	articipating						
Number of parents/family members par	ticipating						
Please send us the following National S	ummertime Pack Award items:						
045501		0	)	Tiger pins, No. 14332			
One Pack Award C	ertificate, No. 33731		)	Wolf pins, No. 14333			
One Pack Award	Streamer, No. 17808	C	)	Bear pins, No. 14334			
Den participa	ation ribbons, No. 616254	C	)	Webelos pins, No. 14335			



Facebook geofence

Electronic school newsletter

	Spring Recruitment ]	Plan fo	or Pack
Coordinator Name:	Phone:		Email:
Choose your recruitme	ent date/time/location, between	April 1*	<sup>4</sup> and June 15 <sup>th</sup> :
Date: 7	ime: Location	:	
We would like a	a District Representative to assis OR	t at our re	scruitment
We have a unit	leader to present at our recruitme	ent night	Name:
•	our new Scouts, we will condu Bowling, Bike Rodeo, Zoo, Bre		llowing Pack activities over the summer me, Pack Swim):
June:	July:		August:
Please select your top :	recruitment/marketing effort(s	) for you	r Pack's spring recruitment:
<ul> <li>We would like a</li> </ul>	a Scout Talk conducted at		School
<ul> <li>We will collect</li> </ul>	the school roster and work with	my leader	rs to call each boy in grades:
• We will hold a	Parent social event and ask exist	ing scout	parents to invite potential scout parents
<ul> <li>Other</li> </ul>			
Please provide us the lis	t of our dropped Scouts to perso	nally call	and invite back:YesNo
Please select at least 3.	5 additional marketing efforts	vour Pac	ck will implement for spring recruitment:
<ul> <li>Order flyers</li> <li>Order und s</li> </ul>	igns from Council		PTA/PTO presentation Marquee display at school
-			,
<ul> <li>Order poster</li> <li>Order poster</li> </ul>	o-peer cards from Council		School lunch tray liners Local newspaper
-	ofencing from Council		
-	-		Display boards at community events
	vear uniform to school		Volunteer for community events
	at school, pass out flyers		Youth sports team recruitment
	ertise at School Event		Community marquees
<ul> <li>Announcem</li> </ul>			Posters/booth at library
	lay School presentations		Community access television
<ul> <li>Church bull</li> </ul>			Business window / counter displays
<ul> <li>Intercom and</li> </ul>	nouncement	0	Other
Select 3-5 additional te	<i>chnology specific</i> marketing ef	forts vou	r Pack will implement for spring recruitment
<ul> <li>School text :</li> </ul>	alert	0	Twitter
<ul> <li>Email invita</li> </ul>	tions from parents	0	Blogging
<ul> <li>Facebook ev</li> </ul>		0	Instagram
<ul> <li>Facebook po</li> </ul>	st	0	Other:

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Other:

# **COUNCIL & NATIONAL MARKETING RESOURCES**



Access all council marketing resources at <u>www.threeharborsscouting.org/cubrecruitment</u>.

#### **Promotional Support**

- Flyers
- Yard Signs
  - Posters
- Buddy Cards
- Facebook Geofencing
  - Scout Talks

#### **Event Support**

- Cub Scout Spring Recruitment Plan
  - Pack Leadership Needs Survey
    - New Den Member Roster
      - Parent Packet
    - Parent Orientation Guide
      - Scout Life Mini-Mag
        - And more!



www.threeharborsscouting.org/cubcamp

#### **National Resources**

- BSA Brand Center
  - <u>BeAScout.org</u>
- Online Registration
- <u>Recruiting Webinars</u>
- Social Media Planning

Access to all these resources is available to you at ANYTIME by visiting <u>www.threeharborsscouting.org/cubrecruitment</u>. Looking for additional support or have additional ideas to share, contact your District Executive.

### PACK SPRING RECRUITMENT PREPARATION CHECKLIST

2022	Pack	Calendar	complete
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 2022 Pack Budget complete
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2022 Pack Fundraising Plan complete
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Our Pack is participating in the Camp Card Sales
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Our Pack is signed-up for the Annual Popcorn Sale & plans to attend the Kick-off
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Our Pack is signed-up for the Annual Wreath Sale & plans to attend the Kick-off
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Our Pack is conducting this fundraiser: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2022 Pack Leadership Roster complete

We need to fill the following key roles: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 2022 Pack Information Sheet complete
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pack Website is updated
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pack Facebook page is updated
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pack BeAScout Pin is updated

### PACK \_\_\_\_\_'s SPRING RECRUITMENT GOAL IS: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **MY PACK'S SPRING RECRUITMENT EVENT:**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

#### MY PACK'S SCHOOL / COMMUNITY RECRUITMENT PROMOTION EVENT IS:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2022 Cub Scout Spring Recruitment Timeline

Late January: Staff Planning Conference

**February – March**: District leadership contacts units to gain specific commitments to conduct Spring Recruitment. Only Packs able to commit to Spring Recruitment expectations should conduct Spring Recruitment.

**February – April**: Principals visits by professional staff to secure commitment to support Spring Recruitment promotion.

**March – April**: Pack leadership prepares information for new Cub Scout families (calendar, budget, roster, etc.). Promotional material ordered from council at least five (5) business days in advance of recruitment event.

**April 1 – June 15**: Spring Recruitment events conducted. New registrations and payment submitted to Council Office or Kenosha Scout Shop or approved online within 24 hours of submission.

By April 30: All pack recruitment events are scheduled.

June – August: Packs put on Pack events for current and new Cub Scout families. Council Cub Scout Camp opportunities for current and new Cub Scouts.

**July**: All thank you notes sent to volunteers, principals, chartered organizations. Follow-up letters to principals and chartered organizations should share success and growth of Cub Scouts in their schools and organizations, respectively.

**September**: Pack submits Summertime Pack Award to Council Office or Kenosha Scout Shop for processing.

			Spring		% of Spring			# Youth	% Youth
	Total # of	30% of	Recruitment	# Packs	Recruitment	# Youth	# Youth	Recruited	Recruited
District	Packs	<b>Total Packs</b>	Pack Goal	Scheduled	Pack Goal	Attended	Recruited	Goal	Goal
AU	32	10	0	0	#DIV/0!	0	0	30	0.0%
RA	26	8	0	0	#DIV/0!	0	0	20	0.0%
SR	3	1	0	0	#DIV/0!	0	0	30	0.0%
SS	24	8	0	0	#DIV/0!	0	0	10	0.0%
TOTALS	85	27	0	0	#DIV/0!	0	0	90	0.0%

Pack Number	Unit Contact	Unit Contact Phone	Unit Contact Email	Marketing Methods Used	Recruitment Date	Recruitment Time	Recruitment Location	# Attended	# Enrolled
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