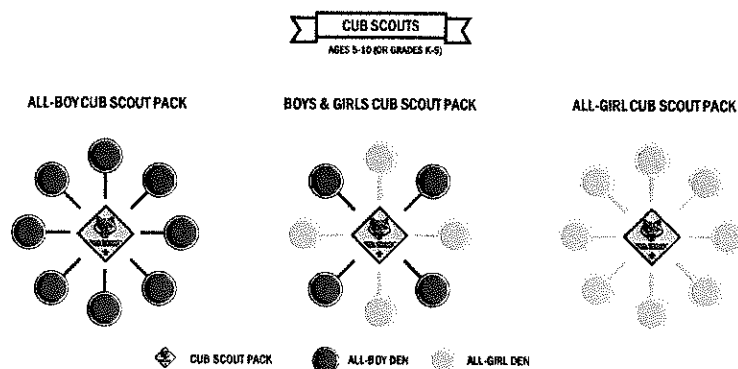


Cub Scouting

Q: How will packs and dens be structured?

Cub Scout dens will be single gender — all boys or all girls. Cub Scout packs, meanwhile, can include any combination of all-boy or all-girl dens. The choice is left to individual leaders in consultation with their chartered organization.

This hybrid model builds on the benefit of a single-gender program while also providing character and leadership opportunities for both boys and girls.



Q: Should dens for girls and dens for boys meet at the same time and place?

It is up to the chartered organization and the pack or the den to decide meeting times and places.

Q: Can separate boy and girl dens work on the same activity at the same time together?

There is no set rule or guideline on this. If appropriate, this can be treated the same as two dens of the same gender working together. It will be up to the good judgement of leaders to decide what is best for their units.

Q: Will girls who enter in the fall of 2018 as Arrow of Light have a troop ready to accept them at crossover time in 2019?

Though we cannot guarantee a troop will be ready where you are, the Scouting program for older girls is scheduled to be ready to accept participants February 1, 2019, to coincide with timing for many crossovers across the nation.

Q: Will girls who registered in the early adopter program need to register again later in the year?

Those who registered in the spring of 2018 were charged the prorated membership fee based on their unit's next recharter. For example, if a new Cub Scout registered in February and that pack has a December recharter, then that Cub Scout registration fee was for 11 months. So, they will need to re-register with the pack, along with the other members of the pack, in December.

Q: If I have a question about how to incorporate girls into the pack, who should I talk to?

In an overwhelming number of existing packs across the country, girls have already informally been participating in activities, including pack meetings and family camping, so the BSA doesn't foresee major issues in welcoming girls officially to packs. Because the program itself is not changing, your unit commissioner would be the most knowledgeable person to talk to about the Scouting program. Your district executive is also a resource.

Q: Can packs share unit numbers? If so, how do we tell them apart?

A: Yes, they can share pack numbers. You will be able to tell them apart in the system the same way that we do when councils merge — there is a prefix in ScoutNet that IDs each unit.

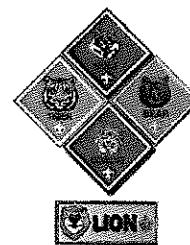
Q: What if I only have one or two girls who are interested in joining?

Keep recruiting – have the girls invite their friends. Packs will continue to have the option to combine grade levels to form a den as long as they are working on their respective ranks. For example, if you have two third-grade girls and two fourth-grade girls, you may combine into one single-gender den as long as they are working on their Bear and Webelos, respectively.

Q: Can the Lion badge be worn on the blue Cub Scout uniform?

Yes. The Lion badge can be worn on the blue Cub Scout uniform.

The proper badge configuration for the Cub Scouting badges from Lion through Bear is depicted here.



Q: Are Webelos required to wear the tan uniform or can they wear the Cub Scout blue?

The Webelos uniform is the tan uniform. **Note:** the diamond Webelos badge is being phased out. Below is the proper Webelos/Arrow of Light badge configuration.

