BENNETT VALLEY CUB SCOUTS--PACK 55

Serving the boys of Bennett Valley

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Fall is a GREAT time to join Scouts! Here's how to get started…

1. **Read & Complete** a National Boy Scouts of America Scout application.
2. **Submit the application with the prorated annual fee of $ 57.40.** Make checks payable to "Pack 55.

   The application and fee can be submitted by mail to Bonnie Day: 2034 Alexis Court, Santa Rosa, CA 95405 OR dropping it in our PACK 55 silver mailbox on Bonnie's front porch. (Her court is directly across from Strawberry MPR.) Having your application in before the September 7th Den Formation meeting would be helpful for planning purposes, but we certainly understand if you want to hear more about the program before signing up!

   **A word about dues: all Scouts, whether new or returning, pay annual dues of $50 each September.*
   The extra prorated amount you are submitting covers national BSA registration for the rest of this calendar year.

3. **Purchase** a uniform at the Santa Rosa Scout Shop: 1000 Apollo Way, Suite 106 Santa Rosa 95407; ph. 546-1013. You need not have this by the first pack meeting on September 7th, but he is welcome to, of course. Your new scout will need the following: a uniform shirt, hat, belt, handbook and various emblems required for the uniform—world crest, council emblem and two red 5's (for "55") You will need to wait on purchasing a den numeral if your son is a Tiger Scout. Uniform pants are not required. Your Scout will receive his first neckerchief at his first Pack meeting. We also have a uniform bank of pre-owned items…just ask.

4. **Den placement:** (your new scout will be part of a den or group of boys who are in the same grade). When and where each den meets is decided by the parents of the den. Den meetings are generally twice monthly.

   a. **Tiger Scouts** (1st grade): Tiger Dens will form at the fall parent information/orientation night on September 7th. You will play an active part in the formation of the dens. Bring your calendar! NOTE: from amongst the tiger parents must come leaders to lead the new tiger dens. Without leaders, dens can not be formed. Inquiries welcome!

   b. **Wolf, Bear and Webelos Scouts** (2nd-5th grade) will be placed in an existing den, as space allows.

5. **Attend** the information/tiger den formation meeting AND our first monthly Pack meeting of the new program year on September 7th. Your new scout/ prospective scout will be introduced and welcomed by the pack! We will have pizza at the information meeting, 5:45-6:30pm in the Strawberry Library or quad. The pack meeting will begin at 6:45 in the Strawberry MPR. Do give Bonnie a heads up if you will be attending the information meeting—we need to know for food and childcare numbers. And, if your boy plans to join but can't make the meeting, let her know, too, since dens will form that night.

6. **ASK!** Your questions and inquiries are always welcome…and you will have questions! Communication is important to us. To keep you most up to date, be sure to provide us with your email address. We send out event reminders and updates a few days prior to each event. Contact Bonnie Day.

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