

## SUGGESTIONS FOR WEBELOS ADVANCEMENT



If you haven't been in Cub Scouts before, or if you haven't earned your Bobcat Badge, that is the first badge you need to earn. You can work on other advancements before you earn Bobcat, but we cannot turn in advancements at council office or present awards to you until you have earned your Bobcat Badge. You will be doing most of the requirements in den meetings, but requirement #8 says to go through the Child Protection Exercises in the front of your Bear Handbook, you also have to go through these exercises for one requirement on your Webelos Badge. We cannot do this in den meetings, you have to do it at home and bring a note to your den meeting to turn it in.

There are twenty activity badges in Webelos. The requirements for these are in your book. Some of the badges will be earned in den and pack meetings, some of them can only be earned at home. To earn your Webelos Badge you must earn the Fitness AB, Citizen AB, one other badge from either the Mental Skills, Technology, or Outdoor Groups, and also complete the requirements on pages 49-51 in your handbook. After you have earned your Webelos Badge, you can work on getting your Compass Point Emblem and Metal Compass Points. These requirements are on page 61 in your handbook.

The highest award you can earn as a Cub Scout is the Arrow of Light Award. It is the only Cub Scout Award that you can wear on your uniform after you cross over into Boy Scouts. It is best if you work on these requirements during your second year of Webelos. The requirements are on pages 63 & 64 in your handbook.

You will be given a sheet periodically that will list what you have earned and what you need to work on next. If you have questions, please call Perri Downing at 756-3870 or 756-6740 or John Geffre at 756-6091.

There are several other awards that you can earn as a Bear Cub Scout. There are forty areas of interest for which you can earn Academics & Sports Belt Loops and Pins. There is also the World Conservation Award (page 70 in your handbook) and the Leave No Trace Award (page 73 in your handbook). You might do some of these requirements in your den meetings.

One of the easiest ways to earn advancements in Cub Scouts is to look through your book and the Academics & Sports Requirements occasionally and see if there are requirements that you have done since you joined Cub Scouts. When you do this, you might also see things that you would like to try. Always try to keep your projects simple and be sure to turn them in. If a requirement says to draw something, make a list, or build something, please bring it to your meeting so that everyone can see it. If a requirement says to go somewhere bring a picture of yourself at that place or your ticket stub.

You probably do lots of stuff that meets the requirements for advancement without knowing it. We can't give you credit for this stuff unless you turn it in. You need to have your parent or guardian write down the requirements that you have done on a piece of paper so that you can bring it to the den meeting and get credit for it. An adult at the den meeting will record your requirements on the meeting record sheet, sign and date the piece of paper and give it back to you.

Have fun in Webelos!!