

Tiger Cub Ceremonies

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Induction Ceremony

Equipment: 3 candles

Personnel: Cubmaster, Tiger Cubs and Adult partners

In the coming months you and your family will explore all sorts of new and exciting things and places. You will take each part of the Tiger Cub motto: "Search, Discover, Share" and use it in your home, school, and neighborhood.

<light first candle> You and your adult partner will search out in your home and community new activities which will show you how people work together and have fun together.

<light second candle> You and your adult partner will discover that by doing things together with friends and family you feel a sense of being part of a great family, community, and country.

<light third candle> The things you will search out and discover will be shared with your family, friends, and fellow Tiger Cubs, which will let them learn about you and the things you see and do.

We welcome you to Pack #____'s Tiger Cub program.

Induction Ceremony

Equipment: Arrow of Light diagram on cardboard, candle, matches

Personnel: Den Leader, Akela (Cubmaster), Tiger Cubs and Adult Partners

Den Leader: Oh, great Akela, hear me!

Akela: I hear you, leaders of Tigers. What is it you want?

Den Leader: We have young boys who seek the fun of Cub Scouting.

Akela: Have these boys been properly prepared?

Den Leader: Yes, Akela, they have. Our new Tiger cubs know the Tiger Cub motto. Each boy has prepared himself to move into Cub Scouting by his thoughts, deeds, and participation in the Pack.

Akela: Very well. I am Akela, the Great Chief of the Webelos tribe and the head of this council of braves. My totem is the Arrow of Light, which is the highest honor any Cub Scout may earn. This board shows the Arrow of Light and points the way of the trail. The arch represents progress along the Cub Scout trail, preparing cubs for greater adventures in Boy Scouts. The candle which I now light represents the Spirit of Akela and the light of Cub Scouts. We learn the ways of our tribe from the wisest of the forest animals.

From the Bobcat, we learn to be alert and watchful.

From the Wolf, we learn the language of the ground, we learn to follow the tracks of other animals, and we learn the ways of the food of the forest.

From the Bear, we learn the secrets of the trees and birds, the language of the air and the sky.

The Tiger cub is curious and adventurous, but remains within the lair with its parents for some time before venturing out to hunt its own game. His parents have the responsibility of looking after the cub, teaching it to hunt and play, and how to protect itself from the other predators of the jungle.

Akela (to the den leader): Which boys have joined your Tiger Cub Den?

Den Leader: Great Akela, we have ____ new Tiger Cubs, and ____ are with us here tonight. Please step forward, along with your parents, when your name is called. (call names)

Akela: You boys are embarking on a great new journey with your parents. Your motto tells us what you will be doing. Do you remember the Tiger Cub motto? Repeat it with me: Search, Discover, Share

Search means you will search for new activities, new adventures, and new ways of being together.

Discover means you will enjoy the thrill of discovering new things together.

Share means you will share all of the things you have done together with your parents and the other members of your Tiger Cub den. Through this process you grow together, become better friends, and prepare yourselves for Cub Scouts. Now that you have learned the Tiger Cub motto, you are prepared to wear the Tiger Cub Neckerchief and Tiger Totem. (Den Leader hands the items to the parents who put them on their boys as Akela is talking) This was developed in ancient times to symbolize your accomplishments. Each time you participate in a Tiger Cub activity, you will add a new bead to your Tiger Totem. Over time your totem will become full of beads and you will earn your Tiger badge.

Akela: Members of Pack # ____ please stand. Join me in welcoming these Tigers and their partners to our Pack family.

Tiger to Wolf Ceremony

Equipment: 4 large candles, Tiger badges

Three candles all in a row with 4th candle above and behind the others.

Akela: These scouts have completed their Tiger requirements and are ready to receive their rank advancement. Please bring your parents forward when your name is called. (call names)

Akela: For the past few months you and your adult partner have explored all sorts of new and exciting things and places. You have taken each part of the Tiger Cub motto, "Search, Discover, Share" and used it in your home, school, and neighborhood.

(light first candle)

Akela: You have searched in your home and community for new activities that have shown you how people work together and have fun together.

(light second candle)

Akela: You have discovered that by doing things together with friends and family you feel you are part of a great family, community, and country.

(light third candle)

Akela: You have shared your adventures with you family, friends, and fellow Tiger Cubs, and that helped you all become a stronger den.

(light last candle)

Akela: You have fulfilled all the requirements of wearing the Tiger rank badge. Your adult partner will now pin it onto your shirt.

(while badges are being pinned to shirts)

Akela: For the rest of this year, you will continue to have fun in your Tiger Den and earn additional Tiger Track beads. When school ends, you will begin the trail to Wolf. In Cub Scouting your family is very important. Support in earning each badge comes from your family as well as from your den leader. Your adult partner will help you each step of the way.

Congratulations to each of you on earning your Tiger Cub badge!!!!