

Lenape District Roundtable New Den Leader Helps For The Tiger Cub Den



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Words of Encouragement for New Tiger Partners and Leaders

Although this may be new to you, you are not alone. Others have done this and survived many times over. Use the resources available. The resources available are BSA materials, people in your pack who "have been there, done that", leader specific training, and the monthly roundtable meeting in your district every first Wednesday. And these aren't the only resources; there are many more that you will become acquainted with as time goes by.

Observe what the boys like to do in meetings, and, as much as possible, plan to give them that. Don't make every meeting the same, but leave out things that don't seem to work well. Don't be afraid to try new things for the boys to do. You are limited by your creativity and the policies of the BSA.

Policies? What policies? Learn what the BSA policies are and where to find them. A good start is New Leader Essentials and Tiger Leader Specific Training. You do not need to be a registered leader to attend training. The more informed you are the better the program will be for our youth. There is also the Guide to Safe Scouting. This book can be found in the National Scout Shop at the Jersey Shore Council or online at the resource site at www.scouting.org (National's website) The Guide to Safe Scouting gives you the do's and do not's of scouting activities.

Always have a plan B which is your backup plan. You are not a failure if you use it. Maybe it rained the day you were going to do the best outside activity you had planned yet! The boys don't care as long as they are having fun. Tigers have fun doing almost anything especially when they are doing it with you and you are having fun!!!

Having fun is the key to a successful Tiger program. This is his first experience as a Cub Scout. Search your heart for time to spend with him as a Tiger Cub. Discover all that Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting have to offer. Share all of your son's accomplishments with him for years to come! Remember, this is where the *trail to Eagle begins*.

If you run with him as a Tiger,
You can soar with him as an Eagle.



TIGER CUB BASICS AND BEYOND

PROMISE

"Search, Discover, & Share"

"I promise to do my best, to do my duty to God and my Country, to help other people and to obey the law of the Pack."

Boy Scouts of America introduced Tiger Cubs in 1982 as a simple and fun program that would endear 1st Grade boys and their families to Cub Scouting.

The entire Scouting program is designed to be age-appropriate and to grow along with the boy, from Tiger Cub to Webelos to Eagle Scout. The changes, in 2001, to the Tiger Cub program have dramatically improved the Tiger Cub program for all participants.



Who Can Join?

Tiger Cub Teams

Tiger Cub Teams are made up of 1st Grade (or 7 year old) boys and their Adult Partner. The Adult Partner can be a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle or adult sibling who cares about the boy and is committed to his well-being.

<note> If the Tiger Cub Partner is not residing at the same address as the boy, an Adult Application must be submitted with the youth application. No additional BSA registration fee is required for the adult.

The Tiger program is family-oriented. It is designed for the boy to participate in all activities with their adult partner. Each Tiger Cub Team is introduced to the excitement of Cub Scouting as they learn to *Search, Discover, and Share*, together.

The Tiger Cub Den

5-8 Teams Together

A pack with more than 8 Tiger Cub Teams should consider organizing the teams into more than one Den. Remember that for every boy there is an adult, too many teams in one den can be difficult to manage.

<note> When deciding which Teams to include in a den, remember to keep the boys together by such things as current friendships, home locations, or school classrooms. This helps the dens grow more comfortable with Scouting and each other.

Each den is required to have a registered Tiger Cub Den Leader. See Den Leadership for more information on the role of the Tiger Cub Den Leader.

The Tiger Cub Cycle Follows the school year

The Tiger Cub cycle can start as soon as a boy finishes Kindergarten or reaches his 7th birthday. This allows him the opportunity to attend summer camp as a Tiger Cub (with his adult partner) before the next school year starts. As soon as a Tiger Cub joins the pack he is entitled to participate in all of the Packs activities, with his Tiger Cub Partner. Each Tiger Cub then graduates at the end of his first grade school year and continues in Cub Scouting working towards the Wolf rank.

Den Leadership Tiger Cub Teams share in the leadership

Each Tiger Cub Team takes its turn to host or plan a month's worth of meetings based on the same monthly themes as the other Cub Scouts. This allows for each team to share its interests or talents together and creates many new opportunities for the den as a whole.

Each den of Tigers is required to have a registered **Tiger Cub Den Leader** that must be 21 years of age or older. This adult can be a parent of one of the Tigers, but can also be an individual that has been involved in scouting for awhile. The adult wanting to serve as Tiger Cub Den Leader needs to use the Adult Application and pay the appropriate registration fees. He or She is then entitled to wear the Adult BSA Uniform with the Tiger Cub Den Leader patch on the left sleeve. It is very helpful if the Den Leader is trained before the School Night Recruitment and the organizations of the Dens or before the Den meetings begin.

The Main Responsibilities of the Tiger Cub Den Leader

- Work directly with other den and pack leaders to ensure that their den is an active and successful part of the pack
- Coordinate Shared Leadership among the Tiger Cub adult partners, ensuring that all adult partners help plan, conduct, and prepare for den meetings and Go See It outings on a rotating basis and that the den activities provide advancement opportunities for the boys in the den.
- Attend pack leader's meetings
- Lead the den at the monthly pack activity
- Ensure the transition of the Tiger Cubs into the Wolf den at the end of the year.

Never forget that a Tiger cub Den Leader can light a fire in the hearts of new Cub Scout families that can burn brightly for many years to come. With a positive, professional attitude and excitement for Scouting the Tiger Cub Den Leader can "make a difference".



Uniform Tiger Cub and Tiger Cub Partner

The Tiger Cub uniform is the blue cub scout shirt w/ appropriate shoulder patch, den numeral patch, pack number, etc. The Tiger Cub also has his own belt, orange and blue hat, neckerchief, and socks. You should visit your Cub Scout Pack before purchasing your uniform to find out the appropriate uniforming, patches specific to your den. They will give you a list before you visit the Scout Shop at the Jersey Shore Council.

It is recommended that the Adult Partner wears the BSA Tiger Cub t-shirt for Adults, but is not required. It makes the boys and the teams feel part of the group. The Tiger Cub Den Leader wears the official BSA uniform with the Tiger Cub Hat and Tiger Cub Leader neckerchief.

Advancement/Recognition

Tiger Cubs work on achievements and elective, which are described in the Tiger Cub Handbook. As a boy completes his achievements, his adult partner or den leader signs the handbook where it says "Akela's OK".

Tiger Cubs must first earn their Bobcat Badge before they can earn their Tiger Cub rank. It will take some time learning the Cub Scout Promise and the Law of the Pack. Make games out of it. Open your meeting with The Cub Scout Promise and Close the meeting with the Law of the Pack. It will help them practice once in a while. You can make posters with both on them so they can have help or purchase the BSA poster set in the National store and put them up during your den meeting. Eventually they will get it. Just don't make the whole meeting about the memorizing. Let's have some fun too. You will receive some ideas later in this packet.

As boys advance they receive recognition items to mark their progress while working on their Tiger Cub rank. BSA has made available a Tiger Cub Totem Instant Recognition Kit worn on their right pocket. See 2006's Advancement Requirement Change.

There are five achievements in Tiger Cubs.

1. Making My Family Special
2. Where I Live
3. Keeping Myself Healthy and Safe
4. How I Tell It
5. Let's Go Outdoors

Each Achievement has three parts: a family activity, a den activity, and a Go See It outing. A boy receives a totem bead for each part completed. When he has earned all 15 beads, he is eligible to receive his Tiger Cub badge during a ceremony at a pack meeting.

The Tiger Cub also has electives to help keep him busy after he has earned his Tiger Cub Rank. For every ten electives done he will earn a Tiger Cub Track for his totem until the end of the cub scout/school year. Then he graduates to a Wolf Cub Scout.

There are performance requirements for Tiger Cubs. Simply "Doing His Best" constitutes completion of his achievements or electives.

Tiger Cub Graduation

There is no "right way" to hold a Tiger Cub Graduation. Graduations vary among Packs. The important thing to remember is the event should be special and memorable for the Tigers and their families. After graduation each Tiger Cub den should stay together as a new Wolf den.

Pack's Role

Every Pack wins with a Strong Tiger Cub Den

Each Tiger Cub den is a part of the Cub Scout pack. The Pack is responsible for maintaining support to the Tiger Cub dens.

Each Pack should make available the *Cub Scout Leader book* and a set of *Program Helps* for each den. As with the Cub Scout Advancements awarded by the Pack, the Pack Committee should provide the Tiger Cub Den Leader with a belt totem recognition kit for the Tiger Cubs.

How a Pack wins with a strong Tiger Cub Den:

The Tiger Cubs and Partners will develop a closer relationship to the Pack each time the Tiger Cubs are included in the Pack activities.

The Pack will gain future Scouts who are ready and eager to continue in Cub Scouting.

The Pack gains a pool of adults who are experienced in leading activities and enthusiastic about Scouting.

Suggestion: DO NOT ask Tiger Cub Partners to assume Pack responsibilities until after Graduation.
This will help keep the Tiger Cub year special for the Tiger Cub and Partner.

Role of the District and Council Provide "Tiger Cub Resource" Person

The District's Tiger Cub Resource person should be a trained leader willing to help organize District events, serve as a training representative on the training committee and at Roundtable breakout sessions.

Each Cub Scout Leader Specific Training course must include a session for Tiger Cub Den Leaders. Upon completion of the training, the Tiger Cub Den Leader is entitled to wear the "Trained" emblem.

Tiger Cub Den Meeting

During the first meeting of the Tiger den, the Tiger Cub Den Leader should go over the format for Tiger den meetings. The parts of the meetings are: Gathering, Opening, Sharing, Discovering, Searching, and Closing. The opening can be as simple as saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Other openings can include saying the Cub Scout Promise, a poem centered on the theme of the month, a song, or even a reading. Searching, Discovering, and Sharing can be combined into the main part of the den meeting or activity. Always include information concerning upcoming pack activities. Also remind the den of the next meeting, time, location, and who is responsible for the meeting. The closing is a time of reflection. Keep it simple and short, so the Tigers can understand it. It is also a time to thank everyone for coming and having a great den meeting. The following pages will have samples of Gatherings, Activities, Cheers and more that you can use in your meetings.

Shared Leadership

The Tiger program is designed to be a casual, relaxed program with shared leadership. The focus is on having fun. To help out with this, *The Tiger Cub Handbook* contains lots of activities. Each Tiger team (Tiger Cub and Adult Partner) can assume the responsibility of a den meeting and Go See It activity. As the host team, you are responsible for planning, running, and organizing those Tiger den meetings or activities for the month. Don't "fret", remember your resources. There are experienced leaders should you have questions and your Tiger leader is there to help you out as well to help you with the experience.

Tiger Cub Resources

The Tiger Cub Handbook has sample meeting outlines, activities, and ideas. Suggested activities include gathering activities, craft projects, recipes, games, and songs. Each Tiger Cub needs a copy of this handbook. Tiger Cub activities are not limited to this book. You will be able to find more ideas at the Lenape District Roundtable held at the council office once a month, www.lenaperoundtable.com, University of Scouting at Jersey Shore Council during March, Cub Scout Program Helps, and the many resources at the Scout Shop. (not to mention the other leaders that have done this before you) Just remember KISMIF – Keep It Simple, Make It Fun!!!!

2006's Advancement Requirement Change

As of June 1, 2006 the Bobcat Badge must be earned first before working on the Tiger Cub Requirements.

1. Learn and Say the Cub Scout Promise. Complete the Honesty Character Connection.
 2. Say the Law of the Pack. Tell what it means.
 3. Tell what Webelos means.
 4. Show the Cub Scout Sign. Tell what it means.
5. Show the Cub Scout handshake. Tell what it means.
 6. Say the Cub Scout Motto.
7. Give the Cub Scout Salute. Tell what it means.
8. Complete Requirement #8 with your adult partner in your Tiger Cub Handbook.

-Tiger Cub Handbook, Spiral Bound, pages 29-34



Receive the Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition

(don't forget these-he will be learning these while earning his Bobcat badge first)

1. Know the Cub Scout Motto
2. Know the Cub Scout Sign
3. Know The Cub Scout Salute

For every family activity done the Tiger Cub earns a white bead.

For every den activity the Tiger Cub earns an orange bead.

For every Go See It activity the Tiger Cub earns a black bead.

For every ten electives earned after earning his Tiger Cub badge the Tiger Cub earns a yellow Tiger Cub track.

(As you follow the Tiger Cub Handbook, the themes, and have fun, these things will come. Just don't forget them. Beads are like gold to a boy)

*Make a special note to yourselves. Although we all want to see our sons advance, they will advance at their own pace. It is not the *Advancement* that is most important; it is the *Method* that is important. How they got there. The steps they took to get there. The time they spent with their adult partner, their friends, their Tiger Cub den, and their families. The quality of the program is ultimately what will make the difference for the Cub Scout.



GETTING TO KNOW YOU

A simple activity for
Tigers first gathering.

	WHEN I GROW UP, I THINK I'LL BE:	ANIMALS I HAVE SEEN:
SPORTS I WANT TO TRY:		MY PET IS A:
MY FAVORITE COLOR:	A SONG I LIKE:	EXCITING PLACES I HAVE BEEN:
A SMELL I LOVE:	A STORY I KNOW: (or joke, riddle or poem)	
MY FAVORITE FOODS:	NAMES OF MY FAMILY:	A GAME I PLAY OR HOBBY I DO:
I WILL NOT EAT:		
MY NAME IS:		

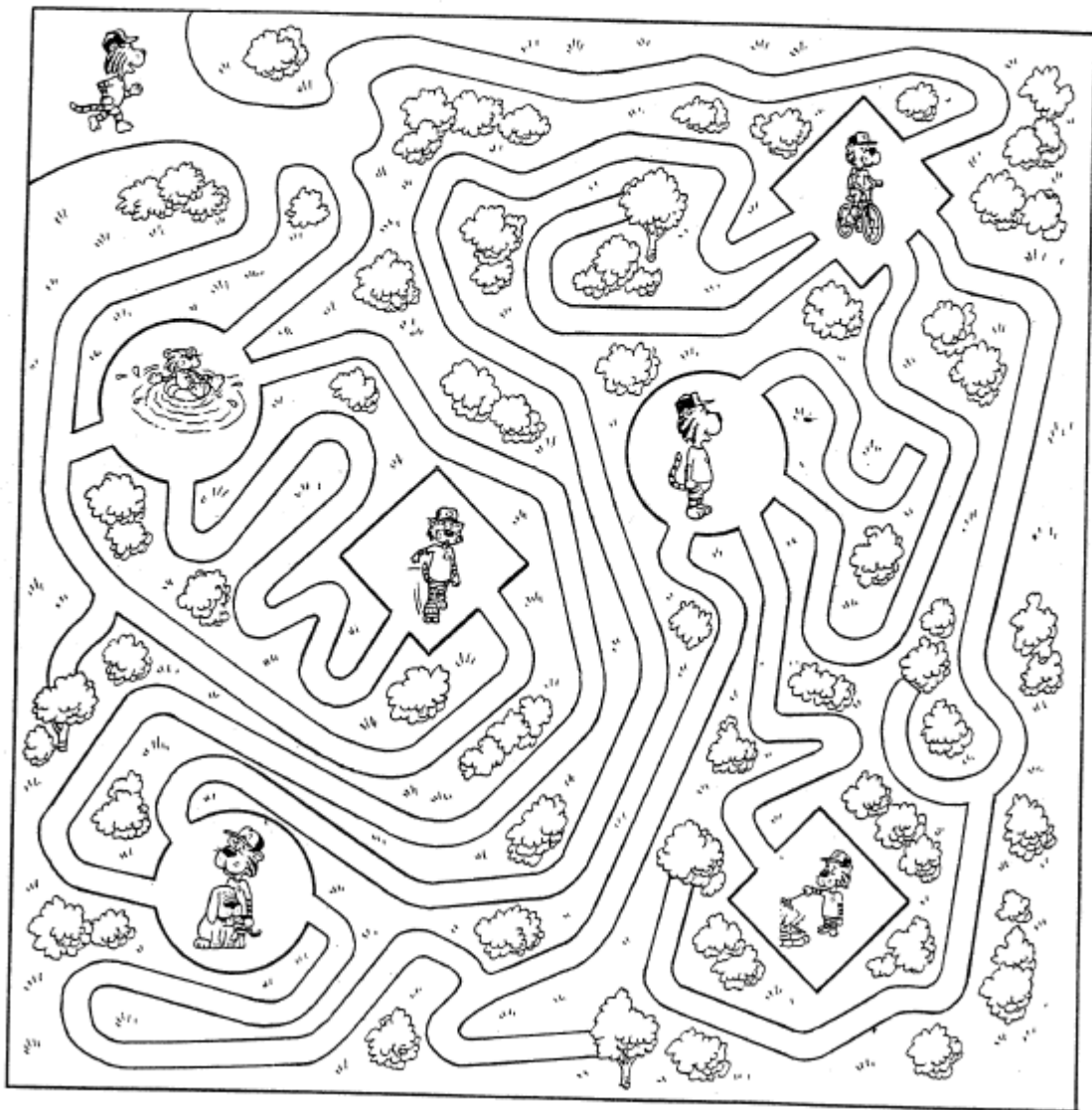




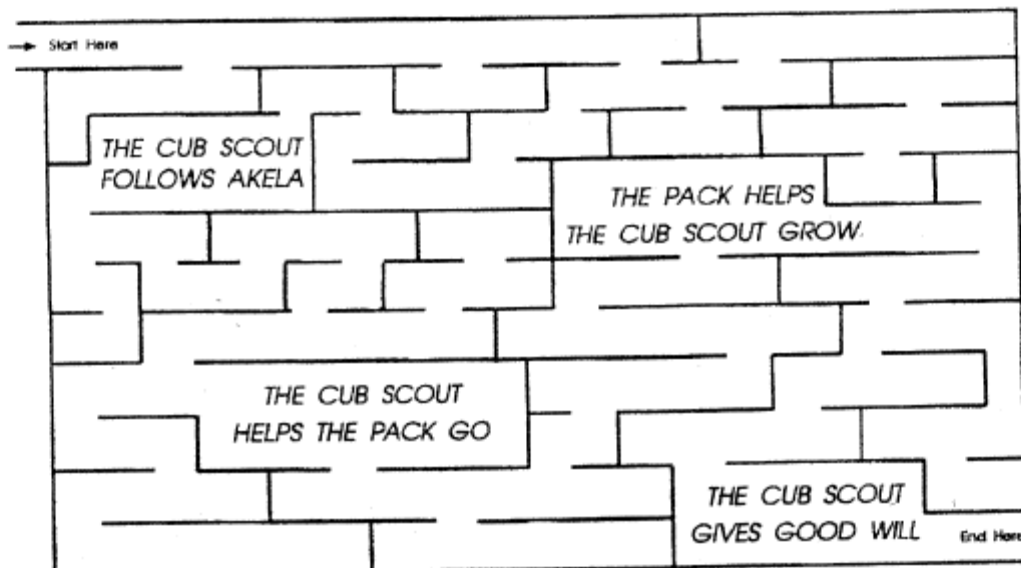
GATHERING ACTIVITY

Maze

Help TC find his friends and travel to the cookout at the bottom of the page. Make a copy of the maze for each boy to get there.



LAW OF THE PACK MAZE



Use a pencil to find a path through the four parts of the law of the pack. Can you do it without a wrong turn?

1. THE CUB SCOUT FOLLOWS AKELA
Who is Akela? In Cub Scouting, Akela means "Good Leader" - your mother and father, your teacher, your Cubmaster, or other people who are willing to help you. Follow Akela.
2. THE CUB SCOUT HELPS THE PACK GO
When you become a Cub Scout, you must think of your fellow Cub Scouts. Help your pack go by coming to all meetings, following Akela and in every way making your pack better because you are in it.
3. THE PACK HELPS THE CUB SCOUT GROW
You are going to have lots of fun. You will learn things from other people, and you will learn to do things with them. If you help the pack go, the pack will help you grow.
4. THE CUB SCOUT GIVES GOOD WILL
You will find that if you smile at your friends, they will smile back at you. Look for things to do for others. Smile and help. These are two good Cub Scout words.



Just a
reminder...



The next Tiger Cub Meeting will be on _____.

The meeting will be located at _____.

The meeting will begin at _____.

The host team is _____.

Phone _____



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Games Tigers Play

Tiger Play

This game is similar to "Simon Says". The players do what the partner says unless he or she doesn't say "Partner Says". A player, who follows a direction when it isn't preceded by "Partner Says", must step out of the game.

Example:

"Partner Says": Growl like a Tiger – Player Growls like a Tiger

"Partner Says": Paw at the ground – Players paw at the ground.

"Twirl you Tiger whiskers" – Any player who followed this direction must step out of the game.

The game continues until there is one player left remaining.

Tiger Tail

This game is played like the old favorite "Duck, Duck, Goose." Everyone sits in a circle, except for "It". "It" walks around the outside of the circle tapping each boy and saying, "Tiger, Tiger, Tiger..... Tiger Tail!" The boy Tapped as the Tiger Tail must get up and race "It" around the circle back to the empty spot. The Player who doesn't get a seat is the next "It".

HA HA HA

Players sit or stand in a circle, and one player begins by saying, "HA" as solemnly as possible. The next player says, "HA, HA", and the player after that, "HA, HA, HA". Play continues with each player adding a "HA" during his turn. The players must all keep straight faces throughout the game. Any player who laughs or giggles must leave the circle; however, he can now move around the circle trying to make the other kids laugh. He can make funny faces or noises, but cannot touch the other players. See who can keep a straight face longest through all the laughter.

Tiger Cub Cheers

Tiger Cub Cheer

Repeat this cheer three times. The first time is spoken softly, the second a little louder and the third time is yelled loudly with a big Tiger growl at the end.

“The wonderful thing about Tigers.....is that Tigers are wonderful things!”

Tiger Cub Cheer II

Tigers have the spirit!
Yes, we do!
Tigers have the spirit!
How, 'bout you?

After the first yell, have the Tigers point to the group of Wolves, the second time, point to a group of Bears, and the third time point to a group of Webelos. (Another version of this may be to point to the next group and have them yell the cheer with their group, wolves, bears, webelos, and point to the next group. This could work its way around the room. You just need to clue the second group in on what is going on! Everyone else will pick up after that.)

Tiger Cub Cheer III

We're the Tigers
And we're proud to say,
We'll be back next year as Wolves,
'Cause that's the Cub Scout Way!

Tony the Tiger Cheer

Roar like a tiger and say, “That’s GRRRRRRRREAT!!!!!!”

Tiger Cheer

Give me a	T	T	
Give me a	I	I	
Give me a	G	G	
Give me an	E	E	
Give me an	R	R	
Put it together and what does it spell?			Tiger
What does it say?			ROARRRRRRRR!

Special Ceremonies for Pack Meetings

(Arrange special ceremonies with the Cubmaster a couple of weeks prior to the Pack Meeting)

Tiger Induction Ceremony



Welcome Tiger Cubs to their first pack meeting of the year with an induction ceremony. During the ceremony they receive a special token to carry in their pockets. It would be a reminder of the achievements that they will be working on during the year. This could be a Tiger Paw printed on a rock; a Tiger Paw drawn on a piece of leather; a Tiger Paw on a "tree cookie" (cross-cut slice of a tree limb); or any other item that you choose.

Before the meeting prepare a poster that shows a Tiger Paw print. Prepare a token for each new Tiger Cub.

Cubmaster: When a boy becomes a Tiger Cub, he is just beginning a trail that will lead him through Cub Scouting into Boy Scouting. This tiger paw print (show the poster) is a symbol of the Tiger Trail that you will walk with your Adult partner during the coming year as you Search, Discover, and Share the world around you. Tonight I would like to present to each of you this token to carry in your pocket. It is to remind you of all of the fun you will have while working on your achievements and electives with your Adult partner in your Tiger den(s).
I welcome all of you to the adventure of Tiger Cubs!

*You can ask them to give you a Tiger Cheer after all are awarded

Presentation of the Tiger Totem

Cubmaster: Some members of our pack have begun following the trail of the tiger. In the wild, the tiger cub is inquisitive and adventurous, but remains within the lair with its parents for some time before venturing out on its own. The tiger cub's 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.

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, and 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 the Cub Scout trail.

Now that you have learned the Cub Scout Motto, sign, and salute, you are prepared to wear the Tiger Cub Paw Totem where you can recognize your accomplishments. You will add an orange bead for den activities, a white bead for family activities, and a black bead for Go See Its.

(present the Totems)

Would the rest of the pack join me in congratulating these boys by giving them the Tiger Paws Cheer? ("Tiger are paw-some! Raise an open, paw-like hand into the air while saying "paw-some")

Tiger Cub Songs

Hup 2, 3, 4 Marching Song

Tune: Mickey Mouse Club

Hup 2, 3, 4, hup 2, 3, 4
Who's the Tiger in the Pack?
You know that's him and me.
T-I-G-E-R-S
Tigers all are we.

Hey there, hi there, ho there
We're as happy as can be.
T-I-G-E-R-S
Tigers all are we.

Tiger Cubs, come and see.
Tiger Cubs, come and see.
We hold our Scouting values nice and
High, High, High

Come and join us Tiger Cubs
They're made for you and me
T-I-G-E-R-S
Tigers all are we.

If You're a Tiger and You Know It

Tune: If You're Happy and You Know It

If you're a Tiger and you know it, show your claws
(hold up hands and curl fingers like claws)
If you're a Tiger and you know it, show your claws.
If you're a Tiger and you know it, then your claws will surely show it.
If you're a Tiger and you know it, show your claws.

If you're a Tiger and you know it, show you're strong.
(hold up arm and show your upper arm muscle)
If you're a Tiger and you know it, show you're strong.
If you're a Tiger and you know it, then your strength will surely show it.
If you're a Tiger and you know it, show you're strong.

If you're a Tiger and you know it, give a roar.
(make a roaring sound)
If you're a Tiger and you know it, give a roar.
If you're a Tiger and you know it, then your roar will surely show it.
If you're a Tiger and you know it, give a roar.

Search, Search, Search Each Day

Tune: Row, Row, Row your Boat

Search, Search, Search each day,
With your Tiger Cub Den
Searching and discovering, discovering and sharing,
That's the Tiger Cub way.

They'll Be Comin' into Tiger Cubs

Tune: She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain

They'll be comin' into Tiger Cubs in the fall
They'll be comin' into Tiger Cubs in the fall
They'll be comin' into Tiger Cubs
They'll be comin' into Tiger Cubs
They'll be comin' into Tiger Cubs in the fall.

Oh, they'll all "Go See It" with their den
Oh, they'll all "Go See It" with their den
Oh, they'll all "Go See It"
Oh, they'll all "Go See It"
Oh, they'll all "Go See It" with their den

Then they graduate to the Wolf den in the spring
Then they graduate to the Wolf den in the spring
Then they graduate to the Wolf den
Then they graduate to the Wolf den
Then they graduate to the Wolf den in the spring.

Tiger Cubs Have a Lot of Fun

Tune: Mary Had a Little Lamb

Tiger Cubs have a lot of fun, lot of fun, lot of fun
Tiger Cubs have a lot of fun
Everywhere they go!

And everywhere that Tiger Cubs go, Tiger Cubs go, Tiger Cubs go
Everywhere that Tiger Cubs go
They bring their partners, too!

Tigers Like to Eat

A couple of great ideas for your Tiger Cubs-Let them make their own snack!

Zip-Loc Ice Cream

In a pint Zip-Loc bag:

½ cup milk or cream
1 Tablespoon sugar

¼ teaspoon vanilla

Seal bag.

Place inside a quart Zip-Loc bag with:

2 handfuls of ice
6 Tablespoons rock salt
Shake and squeeze for 5 minutes
Dig In!!!!

You can add flavorings:

Chocolate Syrup, strawberries, toppings!!!!

Zip-Loc Fudge

Zip-Loc Sandwich bag:

4 Tablespoons powdered sugar
1 Tablespoon butter (1/8 stick)
2 teaspoons cream cheese

Few dashes vanilla

½ to 1 Tablespoon cocoa

Squeeze air out of bag, zip, and
Moosh ingredients together until
well blended.

Add yummys- M&M's, raisins,
peanut butter (**allergy alert**)

Single Serving Recipe!!!!

Special Note!!!!

Always remember there are people to help you.

Your Cub Scout Pack Leaders

Your Cub Scout Roundtable – Monthly Meeting to get resource material for the monthly themes and district and council information that is necessary for the Pack and Dens.

Your Cub Scout Program Helps from the National Scout Shop @ Jersey Shore Council

The Tiger Cub Handbook

Leader Training

Lenape Roundtable Website – www.lenaperoundtable.com