

Family Scouting “Early Adopter” Requirements

Although our programs will officially launch to welcome both boys and girls in Cub Scouting during the program year, we are offering a soft launch for early adopters based on overwhelming demand from communities that will allow eligible packs to officially register girls (K-4) into Cub Scouts as early as January 15. The requirements to participate in the early adopter program are:

- 1) A local council decides to participate in the early adopter program. (Our council is thrilled to offer the early adopter program to our partners.)
- 2) Local councils reach out to chartered partners of units that are in good standing and have the capacity to participate to determine if the chartered partner is interested in opting in to the early adopter program.
- 3) Chartered partners and unit leaders confirm interest and agree to use the family pack model, and that they will:
 - a. Register a minimum of four girls into a new all-girl den of an existing pack,
 - b. Use the current Cub Scouting program and resources,
 - c. Uphold membership policies,
 - d. Provide input and feedback about their activities and experiences to help improve the formal rollout; this information may also be used in marketing and earned media outreach.
- 4) The pack confirms that leaders are trained in their positions.
- 5) The pack agrees to develop a program plan to ensure that participants can accomplish all rank requirements by May 31, 2018.

Our key volunteers and staff would love to set up a time to meet so we can walk you through the early adopter program and help answer any questions you may have. Contact information for our local volunteers and staff is available on our website.

There will also be a video webinar available starting January 8 that we’d invite you to watch with your unit leaders to further walk through the opportunities and details about the early adopter program. I will be sharing that link with you as soon as it is available.

Thank you for your commitment to our movement and all you do for Scouting.

Yours in Scouting,

Del-Mar-Va Council
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