Parent Orientation Meeting

It is important to conduct a Parent Orientation meeting for ALL parents in the pack. This is where families learn the financial, fundraising, and organization of the pack. This is also where parents volunteer to take on roles in the pack.

PARENT AND LEADER ORIENTATION (SAMPLE AGENDA)

Welcome and Introductions

- Conduct a brief "get to know you" game/ice breaker.
- If doing this in conjunction with a meeting, ask a troop to run activities for the Cub Scouts while Pack leadership meets with parents.

Discuss Pack Leadership Structure

- Introduce and briefly define the roles of leaders present and explain how Cub Scouting is a Parent run organization.
- Explain pack leadership and roles & share contact information. Use the Pack Information Sheet.

Pack Calendar, Meeting Schedules, and Communication

- Confirm and distribute the pack calendar.
- Discuss upcoming events and meetings.
- Confirm den and pack meeting dates, times and locations.
- Communication: discuss pack newsletter, web site, email, social media, etc.
- Review Scoutbook

Pack Finances, Budget and Fundraising

- Review and share the Pack budget and break down the pack dues.
- Explain Rechartering and the national registration and council local fee.
- Explain Pack fundraising and family expectations.
- Do a Popcorn Sale overview.

Training

- Explain mandatory Safeguarding Youth Training (SYT)
- Discuss basic leader training.
- Review my.scouting.org training portal and encourage everyone to take SYT

Resources

- Describe Council and district resources and programs and give the Del-Mar-Va Council website.
- Highlight Summer Camp programs.

Ask for commitments

- Talk about the open volunteer roles and recruit leaders to help. (You should have the Family Talent Surveys from your recruitment to help with this. Use the 100 point commitment sheet or other parent engagement tool.)
- Review Adult Application and collect any that are completed.

Questions and answers