Hello Pack 250 Families!

Welcome back! It's great to go back to our fun Pack and Den activities, in person! Below you will find the schedule of Pack activities; your Den Leaders will be in contact with you about the Dens' schedules. We also have some important announcements so please be sure to read the whole email.

COVID-19

We want to continue safe Scouting for our Cub Scouts and families. More details about Covid-19 are at the end of this letter.

If you or your scout is sick or being asked to quarantine, please let your den leader know and DO NOT attend a meeting in person.

If your scout cannot attend a meeting in person, the pack or your den leader will work with you to make sure the activities can be completed at a later date.

DEN MEETINGS

Scouts will be meeting with their grade-alike dens around once a month. Specific den calendars and schedules will be discussed within each den soon if not already communicated to families. Dens will try to meet outside when possible, potentially break into smaller groups, and use Zoom if necessary. We ask that Cub Scouts bring only one guardian to meetings unless given permission by the Den Leader. Food should be brought by Cub Scouts for themselves or will be provided in individual packaging. Please wear masks to all events. The Pack will be providing extra masks and hand sanitizer to the Den Leaders as needed.

PACK MEETINGS

Pack Meetings will look more traditional this year and meet about once a month. However, MCPS is currently not allowing outside organizations in their buildings. Since we are so closely tied to MCPS COVID-19 decisions, we will have to stay flexible and adapt to changing circumstances. We will update the Pack with locations and times for all Pack events as soon as we can. Also of note for Pack meeting location, Stonegate ES is scheduled to be decommissioned and demolished starting in January of 2022 to allow for a new building to open in 2024. The 2021-2022 Pack calendar is located at the end of this letter.

UNIFORMS

Please have your Cub Scout wear their uniform at meetings. Please contact your Den Leader if you would like help purchasing new hats, kerchiefs/slides, and den books for the coming year. We do not require our Scouts to purchase Scout pants or hats, but you are welcome to purchase them. The Scout Store in Bethesda as well as <a href="Hanover (Dorsey Road) are good options, just be sure to check their hours.

LEADERSHIP

We have a number of new scout leaders as well as a few changes to our past leadership.

Lion Den (K) Leader: <u>Desiree Monroe</u> Tiger Den (1st) Leader: **VACANT**

Wolf Den (2nd) Leader: <u>Edmund Ottieno</u> Bear Den (3rd) Leader: <u>Harriotte Makfinsky</u>

Bear Den Chief: Tyler Le

Webelos Den (4th) Leader: <u>Jennifer Renkema</u> Webelos Arrow of Light Den (5th) Leader: **VACANT**

Cubmaster: Nick Proszkow

Committee Chair: <u>Diem-Kieu Ngo</u>

We are looking for someone to shadow Diem to take on Committee Chair in 2022

Assistant Cubmaster: **VACANT**Membership Chair: Shannon Oler

Treasurer: Benjamin Wolf
Fundraising Chair: VACANT

Advancement Chair: Eva Proszkow

PLEASE consider taking on one of these vacant roles or volunteer to lead a Pack event (see calendar below). The Pack relies on parent volunteers to make it work and cannot exist without your contributions. Many hands make light work!! Email <u>Diem</u> or <u>Nick</u> for more information.

As always, you can contact me or Diem with any questions, concerns, or ideas! The Pack Calendar is below (and can be found on Scoutbook.

Yours in Scouting, Nick Proszkow Cubmaster, Pack 250

2021-2022 PACK 250 SCHEDULE

| Date | Time | Event | Location |
|--------------|-------|---|---------------------|
| 8/29 | 3-6pm | Pool Party | Stonegate Swim Club |
| 9/19 | 2pm | Join Scouting + Scout Skills | Balboa Park |
| 9/25 | 2pm | Join Scouting + Scout Skills (Rain/Alternate Date) | Balboa Park |
| 10/9 - 10/10 | 1pm | Family Camping | Little Bennett |
| 11/6 | | Scouting for Food (NEED PARENT VOLUNTEER TO LEAD) | TBD |
| 11/13 | | Scouting for Food (NEED PARENT VOLUNTEER TO LEAD) | TBD |
| 11/21 | | Pack Hike (NEED PARENT VOLUNTEER TO LEAD) | TBD |
| 12/12 | | Awards + Engineering Night | TBD |
| 1/9 | | Scout Showcase | TBD |
| 2/13 | | Awards + Blue & Gold Dinner | TBD |
| 3/13 | | Pinewood Derby Workshop | TBD |
| 3/27 | | Pinewood Derby | TBD |
| 4/24 | | School Clean Up/Cubanapolis | TBD |
| 5/20 | 5-9pm | Rank Advancement/End of Year Picnic | Smith Center |
| 6/11 - 6/12 | | Family Camping | TBD |

BSA Covid-19 FAQ: (As of 6/2/2021)

- Isolate if you are sick, and do not attend any activity/meeting/event if you, anyone you live with, or anyone you have recently been around feels unwell.
- Do not attend any activity/meeting/event if you or anyone you live with has been tested for COVID-19 or another illness and does not have the results back yet.
- If you are not fully vaccinated, wear a face covering or mask that covers your nose and mouth and stay at least 6 feet apart from people you don't live with.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Until further notice, international travel is not considered an official Scouting Activity.
- As always, please exhibit the Scout Oath and Law as we continue to navigate a safe return to the activities we enjoy.

MCPS Covid-19 FAQ: (As of 9/3/2021)

- MCPS will quarantine:
 - An individual who tests positive
 - Those who are unvaccinated and in close contact to an individual who tests positive or has one or more COVID-19 symptoms
 - An individual with one or more COVID-19 symptoms
- Close contact is:
 - Being 3 feet or less away in the classroom for 15 or more minutes during a 24-hour period, regardless of mask use.
 - Being 6 feet or less away while eating or outdoors for 15 minutes or more during a 24-hour period, regardless of mask use.
- COVID-19 symptoms include:
 - Fever of 100.4 degrees or higher
 - Sore throat
 - Cough
 - Difficulty breathing
 - Diarrhea or vomiting
 - New onset of severe headache
 - New onset of loss of taste or smell