

Cub Scout Award Opportunities

In addition to the badges of rank (Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, etc.), there are many other optional awards a Cub Scout can earn either with his pack or den, or on his own. Here are some of the more common ones. Contact your den leaders if you have any questions about these or other awards.

Belt Loops & Pins

Cub Scouts can earn any of the more than 50 academics and sports belt loops & pins. Ranging from Archery to Volleyball, and Art to Wildlife Conservation, there's sure to be something to match every Cub Scout's interest. Our pack pays for a scout's first four belt loops and pins each year. For more information, see Belt Loops & Pins Program handbook on our website's Forms page.



Leave No Trace

Scouts can earn this award by learning and practicing the ethical guidelines for protecting our natural resources while hiking and camping.

Outdoor Activity Award

Participation in a Cub Scout day or resident camp is the first step towards earning this award that promotes outdoor activities. This award can be earned each year by a scout. The requirements vary by rank.



World Conservation Award

Take part in a conservation project and work on certain rank-level outdoor skills to earn the coveted "Purple Panda" award.

Religious Emblem Program

To encourage scouts to grow stronger in their Duty to God, a number of religious faiths sponsor religious emblem programs that have been approved by the BSA. Scouts who earn the religious emblem of their faith are recognized with the Youth Religious Knot to wear on their scout uniform. For more information, go to

