
Parents!

Welcome to Pack 616. We have prepared this letter specifically for you, a new Pack 616 Tiger Den Parent/Adult Partner. Attached you will find our *Tiger Uniform Guide* and *Pack Calendar*. Take the uniform guide with you when you go shopping. Also, please refer often to the pack website, www.pack616.com, to keep track of pack events.



Cub Scouts typically meet four times a month: two den meetings, a Go-See-It, and a pack show. Den meetings are planned by the family hosting the meeting along with the Den Leader. Go-See-Its are just like field trips except the boys are with their family and den members. Your Den Leader selects the Go-See-It locations based on the goals defined in the *Tiger Handbook*. Once a month, there is also a Pack Show held in the Dingeman Multipurpose room. Pack shows are fun events designed for the whole family. Cub Scouts participate in flag ceremonies, skits, and songs - and watch the Scouting staff and other dens perform fun jokes and skits. Each year, one of the pack shows has an Olympic theme - where we play outdoor games - and another is a carnival with indoor games. We also hold a yearly Pinewood Derby where each boy builds and races a pinewood car.

Cub Scouting is designed to be a family-oriented activity. All members of the family are always invited to the pack shows and pack events. A parent or adult partner is required to attend all Tiger den meetings, Go-See-Its, and pack events along with their son and assist with the den program. The Den Leader cannot run the Tiger Den alone. Please assist your Den Leader in any way you can.

Each Cub Scout needs to have a *Tiger Cub Handbook* and uniform. Scouts should wear their uniforms to den meetings and pack shows. They should also wear them on field trips (yes the Dens really get around!) Please refer to the *Tiger Handbook* for the correct placement of uniform patches and badges.

If you find that you have a situation in which it is difficult for your son to participate, please let us know. We are here for our scouts. No boy should ever have to miss out on the opportunity for growth, development, friendship, and fun.

A den meeting training session is offered for all new parents and den leaders on **Thursday, October 5th** from 7-8 PM at the home of Bryon Solberg 11775 Angelique St. This is a great opportunity to see what Tiger den meetings are like and have a chance to learn more about our scouting program.

Youth Protection Guidelines

Pack 616 adheres strictly to the TWO DEEP LEADERSHIP code. At NO TIME is there to be fewer than two adults (not a couple) alone with a scout. All of our leaders have been trained in youth protection guidelines. For the safety of your son Cub Scouting rules require that you stay at all den and pack gatherings at the Tiger Cub level!

To learn more about the Cub Scout Youth Protection Guidelines you can view the training that all Leaders are required to take at <https://scoutnet.scouting.org/elearning>

Uniform Guide

The uniform is an important part of the Scouting program. It identifies the boys with Tiger Cubs and gives them a sense of belonging to the den, the pack, and Boy Scouts of America. Scouts enjoy wearing their Tiger Cub uniform. They should wear it to all den meetings, pack meetings, and special pack activities. Attending adults (other than den leaders) don't have to wear a uniform.

The current uniform for the Tiger Cub is the official blue Cub Scout shirt. Most boys also purchase a Pack 616 t-shirt for outdoor events like the 4th of July Parade and campouts. Pack 616 offers a Pack 616 numbered patch which is cheaper than buying 3 numbers for 616 and easier to sew on. We also offer a Pack 616 cap. Tiger Cubs can chose either the blue Tiger cap with Tiger emblem or the Pack 616 cap. Pack 616 patches, t-shirts, and caps are for sale at our Pack Shows.

Each Tiger Cub should have the following uniform items:

- Blue Scout shirt (includes USA flag patch)
- Blue woven belt with belt buckle
- Tiger or Pack 616 cap
- Tiger neckerchief
- San Diego-Imperial Council patch
- Pack 616 patch or pack 6 1 6 numbers
- Den number patch (your den leader will provide this)
- Neckerchief slide (either rank specific, Cub Scout standard, or handmade)
- World Crest patch (optional)
- Cub Scout pants, shorts, and socks are optional. Most of our boys wear jeans.

Shopping Locations

San Diego Scout Shop

The Scout Shop is located in the Boy Scout facility at Balboa Park and is your best source for getting everything you need in one trip.

1207 Upas Street

San Diego, CA 92103

Phone: 619-294-3806

- 9am-5pm - Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
- 9am-7pm - Tuesday & Thursday
- 9am-3pm – Saturday

Mobile Trading Post

There is a Mobile Trading Post, but some items are frequently out of stock:

- Second Monday - 3pm-7pm, in Poway at the corner of Poway Road and Pomerado at Michael's
- All other Tuesdays - 3pm-7pm, in Poway at the corner of Poway Road and Pomerado at Michael's

To contact Vicki Jacobs and the Mobile Trading Post, call the Council Service Center (619) 298-6121, ext. 219.

Sport Chalet

The Sport Chalet store at UTC also has many, but probably not all, of the items your Tiger Cub will need.

Online

You can buy all the items you need online at <http://www.scoutstuff.org/bsasupply/>

Note: Even though you must initially select pant sizes you can remove items you do not want later in the order.