

## We are Active

Pack 773 is dedicated to a lively Cub Scout experience with activities that capture the interest of boys yet are fun for the entire family, including siblings. Our Cub Scouts learn essential skills and enjoyment of outdoor activities, community involvement, personal safety, sports, and the environment.

## Pack 773 is Open to All

Pack 773 is open to all boys between first and fifth grades. Boys may join the pack at any time, whether or not they've belonged to a pack before.

**Dues** – please check our website for current due fees. Financial assistance is available. The uniform is \$35-50. Dues cover most expenses for the boy throughout the year, including books, membership, awards and patches, craft materials, Pinewood Derby raw materials and a subscription to the national Scouting magazine, “*Boy's Life*”.

**Our affiliations** – Pack 773 is in the Potomac District of National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Most of our boys attend or live in the neighborhood around Potomac Elementary & Wayside Elementary Schools.

## Campouts



On family overnight outings twice a year, boys learn camping, hiking, cooking, knot tying, and environmental skills. Recent

trips include camping at Little Bennett State Park.

## Activities

We also run pack activities at meetings and on weekends. Past activities have included:

**Pinewood Derby** – Cubs build and decorate 7” pinewood cars and race them down a 75-foot ramp, a classic event that's fun for all.

**Hikes at Sugarloaf, C&O Canal, and other parks** – Cubs and their families hike these scenic trails.

**Visit to Maryland Science Center, National Building Museum and Challenger Learning Center, and other Sites.** We frequently have fun filled family outings to museums and local historic sites.

**Service projects.** Boys help in drives to collect food, books, and toys for needy families in the community.

## I'd Like to Join Now!

Dens meet one or two afternoons or evenings a month; boys do activities toward requirements for achievement awards. Parents usually take turns organizing the den meetings. Pack meetings are one evening a month, and feature award recognition and fun activities.

# Join Cub Scouting with your son!!



## Benefits of Scouting

One of Scouting's biggest benefits is the structured exposure to skills and practical knowledge needed to build confidence and self-sufficiency in family, career and community. Many of our projects in Pack 773 help boys earn recognition for their achievements in over 70 different skills/activities.

**The youngest Scouts** can earn emblems for achievement in Family, Den, or Go See It activities.

**As Scouts grow**, they can earn emblems of recognition for 24 different sports including virtually every ball sport plus skating, fishing and swimming.

**Academic accomplishment** is also very important with recognition of accomplishment in 16 areas including:

Art – Astronomy – Chess –  
Computers – Geography –  
Heritage – Language and  
Cultures – Map and Compass –  
Mathematics – Music – Science –  
Weather – Wildlife Conservation

**Webelos are the oldest Scouts** and they can earn 20 pins signifying their proficiency in Physical, Mental, community, Technology, and Outdoor activities. The Webelos program also prepares boys to join Boy Scouts at the end of fifth grade.



## Welcome!

Cub Scout Pack 773 families are located primarily in Potomac. We generally hold our pack meeting on a Friday night each month at the Potomac Methodist Church. Den meeting times vary by den. Scouting is fun with a purpose, and the purpose is to raise boys who respect themselves and others, and who have strong character.

## Why kids like Pack 773

“We do fun stuff.”

“We get to make stuff.”

“We win awards.”

“We build racing cars.”

“I get to be with my friends.”

“We help people.”

“Camping is fun.”

## Why parents like Pack 773

- Builds children’s self esteem
- Kids have fun learning practical skills and knowledge
- Lots of recognition of achievement
- Trips to enjoyable places you might not get to otherwise
- Meet other families with similar interests
- Parents and siblings are involved
- Learn about community
- Easy participation in high-quality events without doing it all yourself
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We are families that live mostly in Potomac.

## How We Are Organized

Our pack is about 50 boys organized by dens. Each den has 10 boys of similar grade level. Dens are a great way to make and stay in touch with friends. Boys may join at any grade.

- 1<sup>st</sup> – graders are in Tigers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – graders are in Wolves
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – graders are in Bears
- 4<sup>th</sup>-and 5<sup>th</sup> – graders are in Webelos

**Our leadership** is both mothers and fathers. Single parents are welcome.

## What Pack 773 is not

**Militaristic** – Boys generally like wearing the Scout uniform and we’re not too fussy about it.

**Exclusive** – We welcome boys and families of all backgrounds.

**Particularly Religious** – Scouting intentionally embraces all religions and offers achievement awards for learning about 25 of the world’s main religions.

**Day Care** – We encourage all parents to attend the meetings and events and be involved with the program and your son. Our activities are parent / son oriented.

## How to Join

All boys in 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade

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## Our Next Meeting

**You can join at our next meeting:**

**October 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM**  
**Potomac Methodist Church**  
**9908 South Glen Road**  
**Potomac, Md. 20854**



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