

Webelos to Scout Transition – Pack Responsibilities

AOL Den Leader

- Have the Den function as patrol with a patrol name and patch
- Ensure the Scouts go camping with a troop and participate in several Troop activities
- Attend District Roundtables and get to know the Scoutmasters
- Recruit a Den Chief
- Arrange troop visits for Scouts and Parents, encouraging visits to multiple troops. Scouts should cross-over to a troop that is the **best fit for them**
- Explain to parents the differences between Scouts BSA and Cub Scouts, including both the youth and parent responsibilities

Parents

- Visit **multiple** troops with your Scout
- Ask questions
- Support your Scout

Cubmaster & Pack Committee

- Ensure that AOL leaders are properly motivated and focused so that all AOLs are prepared for crossover
- Help the AOL Leaders to develop contacts with various troops
- Coordinate Troop and Pack activities when possible, including overnight activities and open houses
- Plan a meaningful cross-over ceremony and arrange for troop leadership to be present

Den Chief

- Serve as a resource for “Scout skills” and act as a role model
- Help form the patrol and encourage patrol spirit
- Help them to operate using the patrol method
- Assists with cross-over ceremony



Webelos to Scout Transition – Troop Responsibilities

Scoutmaster

- Assist in finding Den Chiefs for Webelos dens
- Invites AOL families to troop events such as open houses, meetings, and outdoor activities
- Discuss camp and troop activities with the AOL scouts and parents
- Attend and becomes a part of the AOL cross-over ceremony; Scouts should receive a troop neckerchief and handbook at this time
- Arrange a “Scout skills” focused meeting and camp out in preparation of future troop activities

Parents

- Be welcoming and friendly to new families and help to answer questions. Introduce yourself.
- Show enthusiasm and help sell the program by sharing fun and exciting troop experiences

Den Chief

- Act as Troop Guide for the Webelos during joint Troop/Pack activities

Assistant Scoutmasters

- Help form a new Scout patrol and ensure the new Scouts feel welcome and included
- Work with the Troop Guide in planning instruction of “Scout skills” and patrol learning
- Assist with advancements of new Scouts
- Verify and reinforce the basic “Scout skills” and become a good role model

Troop Committee

- Provide information and resources to new parents regarding troop operations and expectations
- Invite the AOL Den Leaders to become part of the troop leadership
- Ensure all transfer applications are completed and processed
- Follow up with potential Scouts to see if they plan on joining or are still undecided. Encourage crossing over to a troop **even if it is not yours**

