

Welcome to Pack 1 Warwick

Pack 1 Warwick is a **FAMILY PACK** which means boys and girls from Kindergarten through the 5th grade are welcome to join. Cub Scouts is still a single gender organization which means Pack 1 Warwick has separate dens for boys and girls. You do not have to go to a particular school or live in a certain area to join. If the day and time works for your family then you can join us. We are a very active Pack with a ton of adventures awaiting your children, our scouts. Cub Scouts is a year long program. We meet regular during the year and in June, July and Aug. we do monthly activities just to stay in touch.

Communication: Pack 1 Warwick uses a secure online database known as Scoutbook. Each family is invited via invitation to join Scoutbook and link up with their child's scouting record. When you get this invitation please respond and set up your account. You can also add a picture of your choice to their individual record. Scoutbook is what we use to track advancements. It is also our way of sending email notices about upcoming events or other important information. There is also a calendar with all the events posted. Make sure you check your email often especially before and after an event or meeting. Another way we get messages out is posting to our Facebook Page. Please like Pack 1 Warwick on Facebook. We are also in the process of developing a Website. This will be another place to find information. When it is up and running an email will be sent with a link. We do not do phone calls as a rule, email and Facebook are our two-primary means of communication.

Registration fees: When you join in the Fall you will pay a prorated fee from the day you join to December 2019. To register online go to www.beAscout.org and put in 02889. Pack 1 Warwick is the first Pack on the list. You can also use a paper application to sign up. The whole pack registers in late November. That fee will be \$45.00 per scout. None of this fee stays in our treasury. It all goes to National for Registration and Boys Life Magazine. We will start collecting that fee in early November. In Rhode Island, this fee also covers you with accident insurance. So, if you get injured during a scouting event you are 100% covered. Your own insurance is primary, and the Scout insurance will cover anything yours does not including co-pays. If you do not have insurance the BSA Insurance will cover you 100%.

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Uniforms: There is a sheet attached that gives you all the options you will need in purchasing a **Class A Uniform**. Please bring that sheet with you to the West Bay Scout Shop in the Summit Square Shopping Center located at 1275 Bald Hill Road, Warwick, RI 02886.

Meeting: Pack 1 Warwick meets on Thursday night at Heritage Christian Fellowship located at 358 Warwick Neck Ave, Warwick, RI 02889. **Lions** meet at 6:15 till a little after 7pm. All other dens meet from 7-8 pm. Pack meetings or special meetings everyone meets at 7pm.

Events: There is a sheet with most of the scheduled activities for the year. This is a fluid schedule and is subject to change with notice.

Fundraising: We do one big fundraiser a year and that is our annual Popcorn sale. Melissa Williams is our adult in charge of popcorn along with her husband Jay. They do an awesome job. We have Show and Sells, Take orders and online sales. This will all be explained to you at our Popcorn kickoff on September 26th. This fundraiser funds our Pack for the year and gives each scout a chance to put some money in their Scout Account to help pay for activities during the year and for summer camp. Each family will be asked to sign up for some weekend Show and Sells. So be ready to sign up when the signup sheets are available.

Volunteering: We are fortunate to have a very dedicated staff to run Pack 1 Warwick, but we are always in need of volunteers. As our pack grows, we are always in need Leaders, Committee Members or Parents that can help when needed. So please consider being part of our staff. We have a ball and it shows by how much fun the scouts have at our meetings and events. Sheba Karter is our Committee Chair and she is always looking for people to help.

Leadership: On a separate sheet there is a list of all out leaders and their contact information. If you have a question, please feel free to contact them. If your scout misses a meeting please contact their Den Leader to find out what was missed and if there is something you can do at home to keep them on track. We are all here to make Pack 1 Warwick the best possible Pack around. All our leaders must take Youth Protection Training to keep our youth and adults safe. We adhere to the policies of this training. Everyone is welcome to take this online training to understand the guideline we, as Cub Scout Leaders, must follow.

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Class B Uniforms: Class B Uniforms are worn to events and den meetings that are not as formal and do not require a full Class A Uniform. Pack 1 Warwick has set up an online ordering system with Elite Screen Printing and Embroidery. There will be a sheet handed out to instruct you how to go and order your Class B Uniform. A Class B Uniform consist of a Pack 1 Warwick T-shirt and a Pack 1 Warwick Hat. This is all that is required. You can purchase any other item that you would like such as youth sweatshirts, adult shirts, adult sweatshirts, coats etc....