

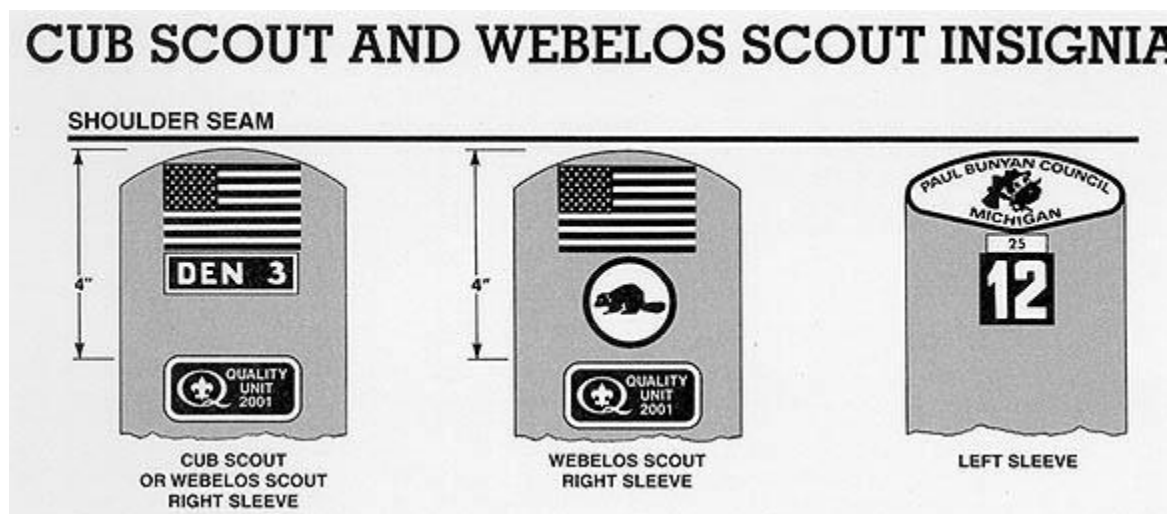
## Why Do We Wear Uniforms?

The Boy Scouts of America has always been a uniformed body. There are many reasons for this. One reason stands out above all the rest. We wear the uniform because it is a means of identifying ourselves openly with the principles to which we are committed—character development, citizenship training, and physical and mental fitness.

The fact that youth and adult members of Scouting wear a uniform doesn't mean that we're all alike. We come from different ethnic and racial backgrounds. We have our own religious beliefs and political views. We are each individuals with our own family traditions and loyalties. So the uniform is not intended to hide our individuality. But it is a way we give each other strength and support. It is a bond that ties us together in spite of our differences. It is a way of making visible our commitment to a belief in God, loyalty to country, and to helping other people.

The Scouting movement is built on positive values. As we wear the uniform, we are openly identifying ourselves with those values where everyone can see us. We stand together, not alone, in encouraging others to live by those same principles. Boys and adults alike should take pride in belonging to such a movement and wear the uniform as it is intended.

## Uniform Sleeves



### BADGES OF IDENTIFICATION AND TENURE

#### COUNCIL EMBLEM

A council shoulder patch (CSP) emblem is worn by all Cub Scouts directly below the shoulder seam on the left sleeve. This emblem is unique to the BSA council hosting your Cub Scout Pack.

#### U.S. FLAG EMBLEM

A red, white, and blue embroidered American Flag emblem for all members. Worn by all Cub Scouts on the right sleeve. Centered directly below the shoulder seam, it is standard issue on all Scouting uniforms.

#### UNIT NUMERALS

A white numeral embroidered on red background. Worn by all boys and pack leaders directly below council patch on the left sleeve. When the veteran unit bar is worn, the Unit Numerals are worn just below, and touching it.

#### VETERAN UNIT BAR - 25 YEARS

A silver embroidered bar worn by boys and adult leaders in packs that have been chartered 25, 50 or 75 years. Worn directly below council patch, above and touching the pack numeral on the left sleeve.

#### DEN NUMERALS

A gold numeral embroidered on navy blue background. Worn by Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts centered and touching the bottom of the U.S. flag on the on the right sleeve.

#### WEBELOS DEN (PATROL) EMBLEM

Webelos Dens may have a name and wear a Boy Scout patrol emblem instead of a den numeral, but they are still a Cub Scout Den. This emblem can be worn by Webelos Scouts centered and touching the bottom of the U.S. flag on the on the

right sleeve.

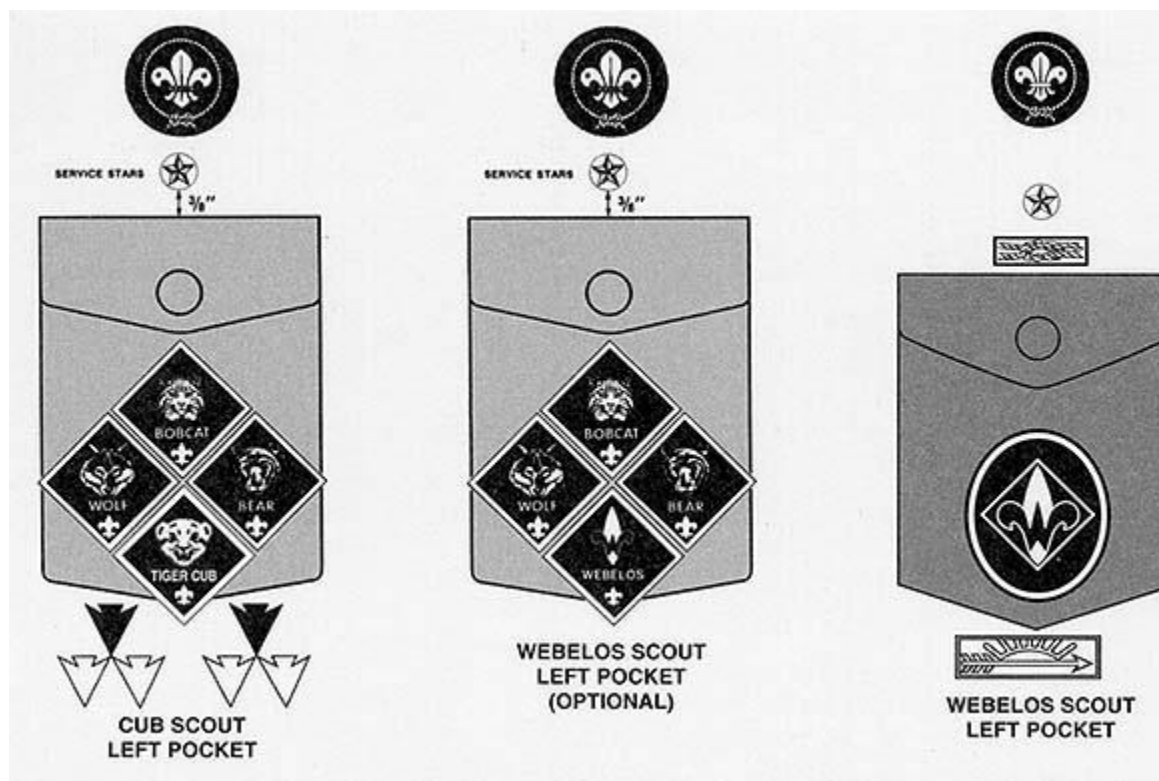
### SERVICE STARS

Gold metallic numbered star worn with colored background to indicate years of service in Scouting. Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts wear star(s) with gold background, centered 3/8 inch above the on the left pocket. Boys who have been Tiger Cubs may wear the Tiger Cub service star with orange background on their Cub Scout uniform.

### WORLD CREST

The World Crest emblem should be worn by all youth and adult leaders. The 1-1/2" diameter badge is white on a violet background. It contains a basic fleur motif encircled by a rope tied with a reef or square knot symbolizing the unity and brotherhood of the World Scouting Movement (WOSM) throughout the world. The emblem should be, worn centered horizontally above the left pocket, and placed vertically between the left shoulder seam and the top of the pocket.

## Uniform Pocket



### BADGES OF RANK

#### TIGER CUB BADGE.

A diamond-shaped cloth badge, orange and black embroidered on orange background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 6 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.

#### BOBCAT BADGE

A diamond-shaped cloth badge, gold and black embroidered on light blue background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 12 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.

#### WOLF BADGE

A diamond-shaped cloth badge, black and gray embroidered on red background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 9 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.

**BEAR BADGE**

A diamond-shaped cloth badge, brown and black on green background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 3 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.

**WEBELOS BADGE (diamond)**

A diamond-shaped cloth badge, gold and light blue embroidered on dark blue background with gold trim. Worn centered on the left pocket as shown in Insignia Guide. Webelos Scouts wear only the current badge of rank (Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos badge.) Option: Webelos Scouts who have not earned the Tiger Cub rank may wear all rank badges earned with diamond-shaped Webelos badge.

**WEBELOS BADGE (oval)**

An oval-shaped cloth badge, gold and light blue embroidered on khaki background with khaki trim. Worn centered on the left pocket, with no other rank patches, as shown in Insignia Guide

**ARROW OF LIGHT AWARD**

A gold design embroidered on a tan background with a blue border. Worn on the left pocket flap centered over the button. This is the highest award in Cub Scouting and the only Cub Scout badge that may be worn on the Boy Scout uniform.