

Pack 98 Cub Scout Code of Conduct

Conduct and Discipline Policy

The Boy Scouts of America is a values-based youth development organization that helps young people learn positive attributes of character, citizenship, and personal fitness. The BSA has the expectation that all participants in the Scouting program will relate to each other in accord with the principles embodied in the Scout Oath and Law. One of the developmental tasks of childhood is to learn appropriate behavior. Children are not born with an innate sense of propriety and they need guidance and direction. The example set by positive adult role models is a powerful tool for shaping behavior and a tool that is stressed in Scouting. Misbehavior by a single youth member in a Scouting unit may constitute a threat to the safety of the individual who misbehaves as well as to the safety of the unit. Such misbehavior constitutes an unreasonable burden on a Scout unit and cannot be ignored.

Prior to participation in Pack activities, both the Scout and his parent/adult partner must agree to the Conduct and Discipline Policy. Failure to comply with this policy may jeopardize a Scout's rank advancement and if behavior issues persist, could result in participation restrictions up to and including non-acceptance, non-renewal or revocations of membership. Parents/adult partners must agree to bear the expense of transportation costs related to disciplinary dismissal of their Scout from any Scouting activity.

Rules

To be sure everyone is safe, we have established a core set of rules that each scout, sibling, and parent/adult partner must follow. Some are based upon BSA regulations for scout safety, others are meant to ensure respect to our Charter Organization for the use of their facilities, and the rest are simply common sense and good manners that we expect from our scouts.

1. All Scouts must be escorted to and from the Den's meeting place (room). There will be no dropping off or picking up in front of the building. This is a safety rule and will be closely enforced. Also, please be prompt when bringing and picking up your scout from the meeting.
2. Respect the meeting place and follow the "Leave No Trace" guidelines.
 - o Scouts should not use the equipment (toys/schools supplies, etc.) or other items in the meeting place unless authorized by the Den leader.
 - o Every scout will work with the other scouts in their Den to leave the meeting place as clean as, or cleaner than how it started.
3. Scouts must implement the Buddy System at all times. Scouts must remain in their meeting place for the duration of the meeting. The only reason a scout should leave the room is for an "emergency" trip to the restroom - and that should be with a buddy.
 - o Do not send a scout back in to get something while you wait in the car.
 - o Do not leave the scout unattended in the car while you run back in to get something.
 - o Do not send your child to the restroom - that does not count for being a buddy.
 - o Do not stop to talk and allow your child to walk down the hall and out to the car.
 - o Do not leave your scout when only one adult is present.

No electronic games/devices. Scouts are encouraged to interact with others; electronic games/devices are counterproductive to that goal.

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The following is an outline of the expectations for Scouts and Parents in Pack 98:

Scouts	Parents
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Be on time. ● Wearing the Scout uniform properly, as shown in each Scout handbook. ● When the Scout Sign is up, only adult leaders speak. ● Follow instructions from Pack Leaders and help others to follow them. ● Take pride in yourself, your Pack, your community and your country. ● Most Den and Pack meetings are held at the First United Methodist Church, our Charter Organization, and Scouts should behave with reverence while in the building. ● DO YOUR BEST 	<p>PARENTAL LEADERSHIP: Cub Scouting is based on parent/scout participation. The success of Pack 98's Scouting program is based entirely on our parents - no parent involvement, no activities. Parents are highly encouraged to contribute in these ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Accompany your Cub Scout to Pack and Den activities. ● Help organize one special event each year (e.g., Pinewood Derby, Fishing Derby, Blue and Gold Banquet). ● Help plan and run one Den meeting program a year. ● Read your Scout's handbook and work with your Scout on activities not covered in Den meetings. Cub Scouting is an opportunity for parents and Scouts to spend time learning and doing things together. ● Track you Scout's progress on Scoutbook.com. ● Assist in maintaining order during any Pack or Den function.

Enforcement Process

Enforcement of the Code of Conduct and Discipline Policy during Den meetings is at the discretion of the Den Leader(s) in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Failure to obey a rule will result in a warning followed by time out or removal from the activity. If violation of the rules becomes continuous, the Pack Leadership may decide to enact a three-strike policy, culminating with the third strike/removal of a Scout from the Pack.
- In cases of harmful or repetitive misbehavior, the parent/adult partner may be asked to remove the Scout from the activity.
- At the Den Leader's discretion, parents/adult partners may be required to attend Den functions with their Scout. (This does not apply to Lion or Tiger Cubs where parental involvement in all Den and Pack functions is required).
- Den Leaders have the right to exclude a Scout from their Den for reasons of conduct. The situation will be reviewed by the Pack Committee and, in extreme cases, and after consultation with the Bighorn District; a Scout may be dismissed from the Pack for reasons of misconduct.

Den Meetings are for Scouts, their Parents/Adult Partners, and Adult Leaders. Attendance by siblings is at the discretion of the Den Leader.

BSA Pack 98 Fort Collins, CO
Behavior Agreement
Scout Acknowledgement

I, _____, understand that I must be on my best behavior during all Cub Scout activities. I further understand that misbehavior and inappropriate activities will not be tolerated. The Pack will always work as a team. I hereby promise to:

- Live by the Scout Oath
- Live by and practice the Scout Law
- Live by and practice Leave No Trace

I fully understand that behaviors that are not allowed at any Scout function include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- Disobeying Pack Leaders or other adults
- Hazing or bullying of other Scouts
- Foul or inappropriate language of any kind
- Hitting, fighting or similar actions
- Refusing to follow Pack uniform policy
- Not following safety requirements and procedures as outlined in the BSA Youth Protection Policy
- Leaving a designated area without an adult leader's permission
- Lying, cheating, stealing and any form of inappropriate activity
- Being uncooperative
- Disrupting activities
- Intentionally damaging property or equipment
- Doing anything that would be considered dangerous

I understand that if I am found in violation of the above actions that I will be disciplined according to the Pack's Code of Conduct and Discipline Policy.

Furthermore, I fully understand that the consequences of misbehavior will vary depending upon the severity of the offense. I understand that these consequences can include warnings, sitting out during an activity, parent conferences, having a parent take me home from a Scout activity, rank advancement probationary periods, or suspension and expulsion from the Pack.

Signature of Scout

Printed Name

Date

Parent Acknowledgement

I have read the *Pack 98 Cub Scout Code of Conduct and Discipline Policy* and I agree to provide disciplinary support to the leaders of Pack 98. I have discussed the behavior expectations and misbehavior consequences with my son or daughter. Furthermore, I agree to pick my son or daughter up from any Scout activity for disciplinary reasons at my own expense, even if the activity is out of town, at any hour of the day.

Signature of Parent

Printed Name

Date