

WEBELOS TO SCOUT

Graduation Plan Scoutmaster's Role

Knowing that traditionally 85% of Scouts were first Webelos, it makes good sense to "go after" our Webelos. New members have vitality, new ideas, and new parents for your troop. YOU can play a critical and vital role in recruiting those Webelos to your troop through an effective Graduation Plan.

<u>Target Date</u>	<u>Action Item</u>
September	Contact nearby Packs and volunteer to be part of a fall Pack meeting to showcase Scouting and your Troop.
October	<p>If you have not already done so, choose and make reservations for the Troop's summer long-term session at Camp Decorah.</p> <p>Appoint good Scouts to be Webelos Den Chiefs to help Webelos help create interest in joining your Troop.</p> <p>Identify a Webelos Resource Chairman for the Troop to liaison with nearby Packs and Unit Commissioners.</p> <p>Invite Webelos to visit a Troop meeting. Consider asking the Webelos Leader to be a patrol adviser for his/her Webelos for the new Scout patrol. (And later, a new ASM for your Troop?)</p>
November	<p>Have a Webelos parents night to promote your Troop. Give them an information sheet with schedules, fees, general information such as equipment needs (Christmas present ideas?) as well as your Troop calendar. Sell the benefits of Scouting.</p> <p>Invite the Webelos to a winter activity – winter camp, sledding party, skiing, hike.</p>
December	Plan to be part of the Pack's February meeting and Webelos graduation ceremony. Be sure you know what is expected of you. If needed, assist the Cubmaster the graduation planning.
February	<p>Attend the February Pack meeting and Webelos Graduation Ceremony. If the meeting is part of the Blue and Gold banquet, sit with the Webelos.</p> <p>Register the Webelos as Scouts with your troop.</p>
March – May	<p>Work with the Webelos Leader (now, new Scout patrol advisor) to integrate the new Scouts into your Troop.</p> <p>Attend the spring camporee with your new Scouts for the crossover recognition event.</p>