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Unit Leaders & Committee Members:

Please forward this to all scouters that will be assisting at North Star District Elementary Schools with recruiting. Thanks!

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Thank you for volunteering to assist North Star District packs with their recruiting efforts this fall. I have outlined the program for Thursday night below. If you are a pack leader recruiting at your school, the **1st section** is specific to you. If you are not a pack leader and you are covering a school without a pack, the **2nd section** is specific to you.

Overall:

- The box of materials should be sufficient to conduct your recruiting. If you think that you do not have enough materials, please let me know. The recruiting night at the school is from 6:30-8pm, Thursday August 25th.
- North Star is registering Kindergartners this year. If your unit is not hosting a Lion Den, please register the boys anyway but leave the pack number empty. Tell the family that they will be able to join a pack nearby. Please only collect \$10 for registration + \$5 (optional) for Boys Life = \$15 total.
- Please utilize the Parent Attendance Sheets. If a family makes it out to your night, they want to join scouting. We want to connect with them if they don't sign up and resolve their concern.
- After the recruiting night is complete, you will need to bring the completed applications and payment to the ***North Star District Headquarters located at Brothers Bar and Grill at 910 Broad Ripple Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46220***. District staff will be there from **7:45-9:45pm** collecting applications and money and reporting to council. If you have problems getting to Brothers, please call me at

(317) 797-1545.

- If you have extra yard signs, please put them outside your school for direction to your sign-up table.

Rocket Launch

The North Star Rocket Launch will be at Zionsville United Methodist Church on September 24th from 1-4 pm.

The Box

The Recruiting Box has applications for youth and adults, Cub Scout rank/age specific information, parent talent information, signage, parent attendance sheet, district information sheet, reporting envelope, scout shop information and youth protection information. Please ensure that parents sign in on the roster so we have contact information in case there is a problem with their application.

Schools with Packs; 1st Section:

This should be familiar. The unit dues should include the council registration dues and Boys Life. The amount that is due to the council is \$10 for registration + \$5 (optional) for Boys Life = \$15 total. Payment may be made via one unit check like in the past for ease of processing. Give the new scout a new rocket WHEN THEY PAY. If you run out of rockets, you may get more at the Roundtable on Sept 2nd. (If I get some earlier than that I'll work with you to get them to your unit).

I encourage your pack to enroll in a credit card processing system (Square, Stripe, Paypal) to make payment easier. I helped Pack 171 last year with a credit card reader and they had 100% of new and existing families pay 100% of their dues. Readers are available at low cost (\$10) from local stores. It only takes a smartphone to operate.

Schools without packs (Troops helping); 2nd Section

Thank you for assisting the district with Cub Scout recruiting! The school you have volunteered for has agreed to provide a table in the entryway of their school or their cafeteria.

The cost for new scouts is \$10 for registration + \$5 (optional) for Boys Life = \$15 total. That amount is all the council will be collecting on August 25th. *Checks may be made out to CAC.*

- There scholarships available. The award is very limited and based on income. If you have a family concerned with cost, indicate that on their application and I will follow up with them.

On the application, leave the pack number blank. If you are unable to drop off the application and payments to Brothers Bar and Grill, please call Con Sullivan, [317-797-1545](tel:317-797-1545) after your recruiting

night is complete to share your successes and to arrange pickup of the reporting envelope. Please tell any new scouts that they will be contacted by their pack to arrange for a parent orientation night where they will get their rocket.

On the reporting envelope, please list for Pack: put your unit type/number; list the adult at the school as the contact person; and the fees are listed above.

Also: If you care to follow along with my budding television career, you can watch Emily Elliot and myself on WISH-TV's Indy Style talking about Cub Scouts here:

<http://wishtv.com/2016/08/23/boy-scouts-of-central-indiana-prepare-to-launch-programs-for-local-youth/>

If you have any questions, please email or call me at cosullivan@crossroadsbsa.org or [317-797-1545](tel:317-797-1545).

Thank you!

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