

Scholar Den Meeting Ideas

Internet & BSA Resources:

△<http://www.cubroundtable.com/assets/pdf-documents/Scholar-Activity-Badge-Outline.pdf> (40 page document you can download with all sorts of great ideas)

△<http://www.jordandistrict.org/> (this website should provide the most current set up of the district)

△http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Webelos_Activity_Badge_Worksheets (has links to each pin) (this is a worksheet the boys can use to work through the activity pin both at home and with the den)

△usscouts.org (look for "Scholar" worksheet)

△**Pow Wow books** current and past years; many on CD

△ <http://trax.boy-scouts.net/cubtrax.htm> (Excel spreadsheet tracking system that self populates)

△<http://usscouts.org/bbugle>

(BALOO'S BUGLE is a great and detailed online resources that is easy to download, save & print.)

Two for One:

Although a lot of what you do for Citizenship seems to dovetail nicely with Scholar, the actual requirements are different from each other. So I didn't really find any activities that could count as both Scholar and for something else. If you figure out any I'd love to hear back from you. My email is cybershopper2001@yahoo.com.

GAMES, SKITS & OPENERS

Golly, Ologies! Santa Clara County Council Pow Wow Book 1999 Do you know the field of study on which each of the following "ology" focuses? Circle the correct answer.

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| 1. Anthropology a. plant b. man c. cars d. ants | 1. b |
| 2. Biology a. life b. stars c. clouds d. bicycles | 2. a |
| 3. Archaeology a. ancient civilizations b. stars c. plants d. sky | 3. a |
| 4. Chronology a. crowns b. birds c. man d. order of events | 4. d |
| 5. Cosmology a. universe b. plants c. man d. the future | 5. a |
| 6. Dermatology a. man b. birds c. skin d. eyes | 6. c |
| 7. Ecology a. stars b. organisms & their environment c. eyes d. money | 7. b |
| 8. Egyptology a. land b. boats c. Egypt d. hands | 8. c |
| 9. Entomology a. plants b. man c. flowers d. insects | 9. d |
| 10. Psychology a. body b. mind c. farming d. baseball | 10. b |

Genius Skit (Do in your pack meeting to show what the Webelos have been working on, or use as a fun activity in your den meeting.) Santa Clara County Council Pow Wow Book 2000

The importance of scholarship cannot be portrayed any better than to name famous people and their inventions which have changed millions of lives forever.

G: Guttenberg invented moveable type printing presses so that more people could have books to read.

E: Edison gave us the light bulb, the phonograph, storage batteries, and many other things which we regard as necessities today.

N: Newton's studies of gravity and light paved the way for many other geniuses ... all the way to the moon!

I: Washington Irving's stories have enchanted young and old for years.

U: Urey's discoveries in chemistry and nuclear power will be used for generations to come

S: Scouting's founder, Lord Baden-Powell, developed a plan for using the genius of every Boy Scout

Here are Some Ideas to Help you in Your Den Activities.

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1. Discuss the history of the schools in your area. If there is an older school in your community, you could research the history of the school. Who founded it? Who is it named after? And why?
2. Invite a retired teacher to talk to the boys about the changes that have occurred in the education system since they were teaching. Also have the teacher discuss the differences in the material being taught when they were Webelos age. Does the teacher have any old textbooks to show to the boys?
3. For Den Meeting, find out where the Board of Education is meeting and when and make arrangements to have the Webelos Den attend part of the meeting so that the boys will have a first hand look at how school policy problems are handled.
4. Invite the principal of your local school to attend a Den Meeting or make an appointment to meet at the school and have him discuss the importance of a good education for success in life. Also have him discuss what opportunities for employment are available in the education field and what would be necessary to prepare for a career in this field. (Even if the boys know the principal at school, meeting him after school as Cub Scouts gives them a special feeling.)
5. Prepare a large chart of the school system, showing where the children fit in both as students and helpers. Display this at the Pack Meeting. You may want to contact the Educational Service Center for information about the education chain of command in your area.
6. Have a panel discussion with the boys about the current problems facing the school system. Examples for discussion may be year-round school, split session, no sports program, teacher salaries, problems with lesson material, and so on.
7. Plant flowers or trees around the school.
8. Help the custodian set up the meeting room for the PTA or other special program at the school.
9. Raise or retire the flag at school for a few weeks.
10. Contact the High School and locate a foreign exchange student and invite them to talk about the differences in the educational systems of our country as compared to theirs.

Sample of doing Scholar requirements in ONE den meeting plus homework:

Den Meeting:

Scholar #1a & b discuss positive attitude in school

Scholar #9 learn about the history of public schools

Scholar #10 show how your school is run

Scholar #5 write a list of important things you've learned because you've gone to school.

Homework:

Scholar #1c: Do your best to have a cheerful and positive attitude while doing the requirements for this badge.

Scholar Pick # 2or 3: Good attendance, grades and behavior or participate in school fundraiser or service project.

Scholar #13 Help another student with school work. Tell what you did.
