

To All Cub Scouting Units in the Denver Area Council:



The Denver Area Council is pleased to announce that we will again be participating in the National BSA Lion Pilot Program for the school year 2017-2018. If your Cub Scouting unit would like to participate in having a lion den, please fill out the Memorandum of Understanding that is attached to this communication and obtain the needed signatures on that form. The form must be completed and turned in for your unit to participate. The form can be turned in to your District Executive, brought to any of the **Lion Guide Trainings** being held (see below), or emailed to Josh.Atherton@scouting.org.

ABOUT THE LION PILOT:

LION Lion is a national pilot program of the Boy Scouts of America for kindergarten-age boys, meaning a boy who is 5 years old or the year before first grade.

Lion is a family-oriented program. A youth and his parent or caring adult partner join Scouting together. A group of six to eight boys and their adult partners meet together in a group called a den. Dens will meet approximately twice per month. They have fun participating in den meetings and outings while making memories together.

The Lion pilot encourages boys to learn and explore through hands-on, high-energy activities. Adult partners take turns leading a den meeting or outing during the year. Most meetings last approximately 45 minutes to an hour; outings are slightly longer.

PROGRAM MATERIALS The program materials consist of a Lion Parent and Leader Guidebook which includes all of the adventure den meeting plans, a youth Lion Adventure Book, and stickers. Each Lion youth member, their adult partner and the Lion Guide should obtain these program materials.

RECOGNITION The Lion recognition badge is earned by completing five required Lion adventures. Adventures are completed during the den meetings and outings. When an adventure is completed, the youth receives a sticker to put in his *Lion Adventure Book*.


LEADERSHIP Den meetings and outings are facilitated by a Lion guide and participating parents. The Lion guide is an experienced Cub Scout leader. He or she will lead the first den meeting of the year. The Lion guide will help each adult partner lead one of the remaining meetings.


Adult Partner

The adult partner participates with the Lion in fun meetings and outings. He or she takes turns with other adult partners in leading a den meeting and/or outing.

Lion Guide

A Lion guide is an experienced and trained volunteer leader of the Cub Scout pack who provides direct support to your Lion den.

UNIFORM  The uniform for Lions is a Lion T-shirt with an optional cap. These items are available at the Denver Scout Shop 55 West 6th Avenue, Suite 125 Lakewood, CO 80215
Phone: 303.477.4830

 The Lion guide wears the same official adult uniform as other Cub Scout pack leaders. A Lion adult polo shirt, adult Lion T-shirt, or Cub Scouting activity T-shirt is also appropriate.





DENVER AREA COUNCIL LION GUIDE TRAINING

WHO?

An experienced and trained in Cub Scout Specifics who volunteers to be the Lion Guide for their Pack needs to complete the Lion Guide Training. If an individual previously served as a Lion Guide in last year's pilot and received the Lion Guide training, they do not need to repeat this training.

WHEN & WHERE

July 26, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Denver Area Council 10455 W 6th Ave #125, Denver, CO 80215

Dobbins Conference Room

No pre-registration is required however an **MOU must be signed** by the unit to participate.

August 30, 2017 at 7:00 pm

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Location at the office to be determined

No pre-registration is required however an **MOU must be signed** by the unit to participate.

If you have questions about these upcoming trainings, or about the Lion Pilot Program, please send an email to Nancy Farrell, Council Lion Champion at nfarrell60@gmail.com