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School Pep-Rally Guide

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Thank you for agreeing to help share the excitement about joining Cub Scouts to:

_____ school on
_____ at _____ am / pm.

The purpose of this quick guide is to help walk you through conducting your very own Pep-Rally to help build the anticipation for our Blast into Scouting night on September 15th.

What is the Purpose of the Pep-Rally?

1. To give a quick 2 - 4 minute presentation to future Cub Scouts in order to build excitement so they get their parent/guardian to bring them to sign up on September 15th.
2. To highlight a couple of fun activities each new Cub Scout gets to participate in which includes launching model rockets.
3. To remind boys who missed the opportunity to join last year they can still join this year.
4. To emphasize to boys, in order to join, the flyer given out must go home and be given to a member of their family.



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What do I need to do in order to be prepared to give a Pep-Rally Talk?

1. It's not required, but would help if you wear the Scouting uniform or some sort of Scouting shirt.
2. Acquire and review the Pep-Rally prep kit (District volunteers and staff can help you make sure you are prepared).
 - a. Kit Includes:
 - i. A sample rocket to showcase the joining incentive
 - ii. Membership stickers to pass out
 - iii. 8 x 11 recruitment fliers to hand out
 - iv. Thank you card for the Principal
 - b. Optional items to include:
 - i. Pinewood Derby Race Car
 - ii. Rain gutter regatta boat
 - iii. Bird house or cool craft to showcase
3. Please rehearse the Pep-Rally Script to help build excitement instead of reading it for the first time.
4. If a conflict arises and you cannot be at the Pep-Rally, please contact (309-673-6136) or (309-828-6983) as we need to make sure all schools are covered. We would not want boys missing out on fun.



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What do I need to do the day of a Pep-Rally?

1. Arrive at the school ten minutes before your Pep-Rally. Please make sure to go in the correct door of the school. Most schools require you to “buzz” in and report to the school office.
2. When you arrive at the office, let the individual know why you are there, and please don't forget to sign their guest book. Please make sure to remind the school you are here to talk to the students from Kindergarten through Grade 5.
3. Once the school representative guides you to the location, please make sure to listen to any additional instructions they may have such as “how much time you now have” or “what grades are heading down first.” Also, make sure to remind the school that you have fliers you wish to pass out, and if the Pep-Rally is the best time to pass out the fliers.
4. Once the boys are seated and the school representative has quieted them down, this is your cue to begin your 2 - 4 minute presentation.
5. Present the Pep-Rally.
6. Once completed with the Pep-Rally, if the school would like you to pass out fliers, please pass out fliers and a sticker to each boy on the way out. If the school wants to send the flier home at the end of the day, make sure each boy still gets a sticker.
7. On the way out of the school, please make sure to sign out and give the thank you card to the principal.



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Pep-Rally Script (2 - 4 minutes)

Good morning/afternoon everyone! (wait for a response)

Now I know we can do better than that. Good morning/afternoon everyone!
(wait for louder response)

My name is _____ and I want to see by a show of hands who thinks it's really cool to launch a rocket 800 feet in the air?
(wait to see hands in the air)

Ok you can put your hands down. I want to see by a show of hands who likes to go fishing, boating, camping, or spend time in the outdoors?
(wait to see hands in the air)

Ok you can put your hands down. I want to see by a show of hands who thinks it would be awesome to spend a night with all your friends watching a baseball game and sleeping out on the field?
(wait to see hands in the air)

Ok you can put your hands down. Last question, I want to see by a show of hands, who thinks building and racing your own race car is really, really cool?
(wait to see hands in the air)

Well, it sounds like then all of you need to join Cub Scouts.... Cause that is just the beginning of all the fun things you are going to get to do over the next year.



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Pep-Rally Script (2 - 4 minutes) Continued

Guess what? (wait for a “what” response)

If you join Cub Scouts this year, not only are you going to build a race car or go camping, but we are going to give you a model rocket that you will be able to build and launch over 800 feet in the sky. Does that sound really cool or what? (wait for a response)

So everyone is being sent home today with a reminder flier that this Thursday, 6:30pm, at _____ (Location) in the _____ (Location Room) we are going to share with your families how to join. Let me ask this again, does launching rockets sound cool? (wait for a response)

So what day? (wait for a response) What time? (wait for a response)

And where are we meeting? (wait for a response)

No let me ask this again, does launching rockets sound cool?

Awesome!!! Thank you for all being so well behaved today and before I go, what happens whenever a rocket launches into space? (wait for a response)

Exactly, we have a countdown.

So lets countdown from 10 to blast off. Here we go! 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, Blast off!!! We'll see you this Thursday!

