

## Nineteen Cub Adventures to be Retired Effective May 31, 2022

Every year, Cub Scout Adventures are reviewed to identify trends and determine interests of our youth, den leaders, and Cub Scout families. In our ongoing efforts to keep the Cub Scouting Adventure program relevant to today's families, Cub Scout elective Adventures are reviewed for both content and popularity. The most recent review has identified 19 elective Adventures that do not meet the standards of youth and den leader engagement, with the lowermost being earned by less than 3% of eligible youth. They will be retired effective May 31, 2022. The retiring of these adventures allows Cub Scouting to be more agile as we make continuous improvements to the program.



We know that some families may want one last chance to earn these Adventures. Some den leaders may have already made plans for the upcoming program year. To help with transition, these Adventures will be available until the end of the 2021-2022 program year.

The elective adventures to be retired are as follows:

- Tigers: Family Stories, Earning Your Stripes, Tiger Tales, Tiger Theater, Collections and Hobbies
- Wolf Rank: Grow Something, Hometown Heroes, Motor Away
- Bear Rank: Beat of the Drum, World of Sound, Make it Move, Robotics
- Webelos/AOL: Looking Back Looking Forward, Maestro, Project Family, Build My Hero, Adventures in Science, Fix It, Movie Making

National has issued an FAQ on the retirement of these adventures:

- Q: Why are these Elective Adventures being retired?
- A: **In our ongoing efforts to keep the Cub Scouting adventure program relevant to today's families, Cub Scout elective adventures are reviewed for content and popularity. These 19 adventures are the least popular among Cub Scouts based on sales and advancement data. By removing these adventures, it allows the Cub Scouting program to be more agile in the development of new programs.**
- Q: Why May 31, 2022?
- A: We understand that some families may want one last chance to earn these adventures and some Den Leaders may have already made plans for the next program year, so we are giving a full program year to allow for this transition. June 1st is when the vast majority of Cub Scouts have transitioned to the next rank.
- Q: Can Cub Scouts still earn these Adventures in the 2021-22 program year?
- A: Yes! These elective adventures can still be earned during the 2021-22 program year. These 19 Adventures will remain part of the program until May 31, 2022.
- Q: What happens on May 31, 2022?
- A: Effective May 31, 2022 these Elective Adventures will no longer be considered part of the Cub Scouting program and the Adventure Loops and Pins for these adventures will no longer be available for purchase. These adventures will also be archived in Scoutbook and Internet Advancement removing the ability to mark these adventures as completed.
- Q: Can Cub Scouts still wear the Adventure Loops and Pins after they retire?
- A: Absolutely! In Scouting once an adventure is earned it is never taken away. These adventures are still considered official program and may continue to be worn after they retire on May 31, 2022.