

Youth Talks (In-School or Other Venues)

If you can have it we STRONGLY RECOMMEND IT! Youth Talks are the BEST way to get kids excited and talking about your Pack and the upcoming events. This side can be served in the classroom, in Sunday School, during assemblies, during lunches, during recess or at any time when boys are present. Best paired with an effective and timely flyer.

What You're Going To Need:

- Flyers about your joining event
- Access to complete a Youth Talk
- Energetic Scouter or Older Scout to speak to group
- Sample Script (back of this page)

How You're Going To Organize This:

Gain permission from your School, Sunday School, youth group or other venue you wish to perform a Youth Talk.

With an energetic and positive attitude, present to the kids all the fun and exciting things we do in Cub Scouting. Make sure you give all youth a flyer and it's suggested that you have them fold it up, and take it home and tape it inside the fridge on the milk jug, so that mom or dad see's it, which creates a visual reminder for them that, their child wants to join Scouting.

Key Points For Boy Talks

- Be very enthusiastic
- Repetition is an aid to memory
- Honor your time agreement with organization you are speaking at
- Repetition is an aid to memory

Additional Fall Recruitment Resources Can be Found at:

www.cnyscouts.org/membership

"Remember, research tell us that parents sign their kids up in programs when they've been personally invited."

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Basic Youth Talk Sample Script

“Hey Boys and Girls. What grade is this? (Make a joke about the grade). That’s what I thought. Well my name is _____, and I’m here to talk to you all about Cub Scouts, and all the fun things we do in Cub Scouts.

Now I’m going to ask you a few questions, and I want you to answer by holding up your hands. First of all, I want to know who likes to have fun? Yeah, everybody likes to have fun. Alright, who likes to ride bikes? Ok, who likes to play games or sports? Hmm. Alright, let’s try something a little more “Dangerous.” Who likes to learn how to safely shoot a bow and arrow? What about sitting around a campfire eating S’mores? Who likes to race cars? Who thinks it would be fun to launch a rocket? Well guess what, these are just some of the things we do in Cub Scouts, and we want you to come have fun with us. So, guess what? We are going to be here at your school tomorrow night at 7:00 so you can join Cub Scouts. That’s right. All you have to do is bring your parents here tomorrow night.

Now are you kids following directions? Good, ‘cause I’ve got some fun directions for you... Remember, everything we do in Cub Scouts is fun. I’m going to give your teacher some pieces of paper. When you get that piece of paper I want you to put it in your homework folder right away, and the first thing you’re going to do when you get home is take it to the refrigerator, open the door, put it in the refrigerator, and close the door. (pause for effect) That’s right, put it IN THE REFRIGERATOR!!! Why are we going to do that? Because the first thing your mom or dad will do is go to the fridge to get something to eat or drink, and they will say “WHAT ON EARTH IS A PAPER DOING IN THE REFRIGERATOR?” And that’s your chance to tell them about all the fun things we do in Cub Scouts and that all you have to do is be here at your school at 7:00 tomorrow night.

Now you kids did say you thought it would be cool to launch a rocket right? Well Guess what! Every kid who joins Cub Scouts tomorrow night is going to get a rocket, and we are going to have a launch day where you will get to launch your rocket!

So I just have a few questions for you before I have to go. Where do you go to join the Cub Scouts? That’s right your school cafeteria. What day? That’s right tomorrow night. What time? That’s right 7:00. You kids are such good listeners. I just have one more question. Who am I going to see there tomorrow night? Alright boys and girls if you have questions, save them for tomorrow night and I’ll see you there!”

Most Important Things:

FOLLOW THE SCRIPT

GO FAST

DON’T STOP FOR QUESTIONS!

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6. **BE ENTHUSIASTIC. DON’T BE HUMDRUM!**