# School Night Sign-Ups

How to get the most out of your night in front of the parents

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# Why would a family not want to join?

- Boring/disorganized sign-up presentation.
- Costs.
- Not the right fit for the family.
- Others?

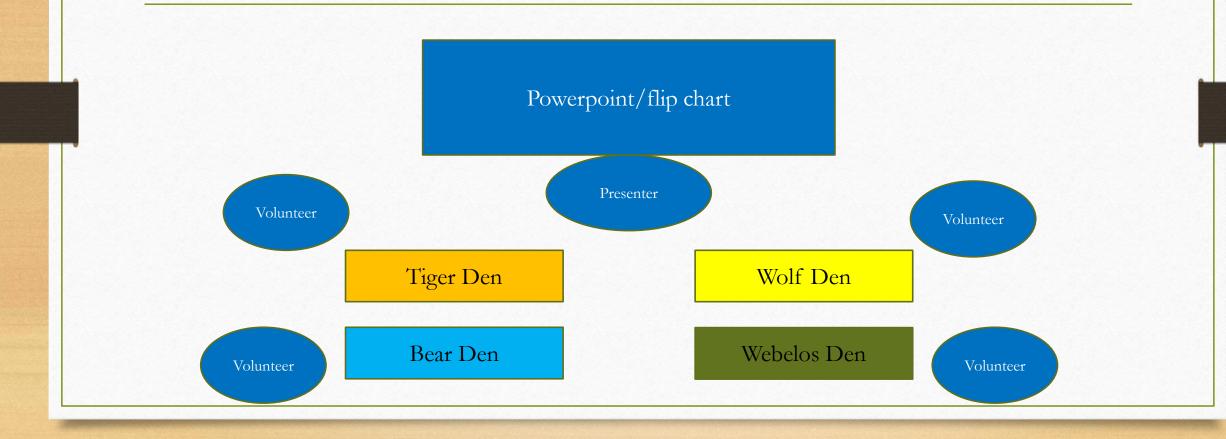
# Strategies for a Successful Recruitment

• Classic Presentation

Round Robin Stations

Carmax Style

#### Classic Presentation



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- Presenter leads the event and supported by 1 volunteer per table.
- Gives introduction to program (Be BRIEF)
- Activity!!!
- The ask for volunteers
- Paperwork, payment and calendar (See ya!)
- Advantages/Disadvantages?

#### Round Robin Stations

Station 2 Our Pack Station 3
The Dens

Station 1
What is Cub
Scouting?

Station 4
Costs and
Fund Raising

Station 5 Work Tables

Entrance/Sign in

Exit/Turn-in

#### Round Robin Stations

- 1 volunteer per station.
- Families sign in and rotate at their own pace.
- Stations have their area of expertise in about a 2 minute sound bite.
- After passing through stations, a volunteer/s help the families fill out forms and turn in.
- Follow-up parent meeting is necessary.
- Advantages/Disadvantages?

# CarMax Style

Our Pack Display Fundraising Display

Cub Scouting Display

Table

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Activity Display

## CarMax Style

- Family comes in, volunteer greets them and gives them the tour.
- Take them through the displays, answer questions and get them excited.
- Sit down at tables, and review applications and payments.
- Push for both applications.
- Advantages/Disadvantages

### Helpful Hints

#### Do's

- Get volunteers (PLURAL!!!)
- Respect people's time.
- Bring Displays
- Make it Fun!!!

#### Don'ts

- Be long winded. (It's about them)
- Let applications walk out the door.
- Separate kids from adults.
- Charge more than the prorated amount for registration.

# Questions? The End

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