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*MUSTANG DISTRICT WEBELOS TRANSITION PROGRAM 2017-18 Season*

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The premise of the program:

- Problem One: There is a low rate of WEBELOS advancement into Boy Scouting.
- Problem Two: Do we have accurate reporting of WEBELOS transitioning into Boy Scouting? In 2016 Mustang District posted a 51% recorded transfer rate.

*Vision: Improve WEBELOS transition into Boy Scouting: Going back to the Basics.*

2017-18 Plan:

- WEBELOS Dens will choose a sponsor Troop and use the Troop's designated Den Chiefs to help teach the Patrol Method to WEBELOS I and II Scouts. A sponsor Troop does not mean the WEBELOS Den must crossover to that Troop.
- WEBELOS I and II Dens are encouraged to call themselves Patrols and have Patrol names. Each month or two a Patrol Leader will be selected to help run and organize the Patrol/Den meetings.
- Understanding that a Troop is run very differently from a Pack is one of the keys to a successful transition. Therefore, Den Chiefs should encourage the Patrols to meet at the sponsor troop at least one per month with the parents in tow. Spending time at campouts with the troop would be a bonus.
- Highly encourage summer camp and weekend outings for all WEBELOS.
- As an option, invite Packs to hold their Arrow of Light Crossover ceremony in the January-March time-period, preferably during the Blue and Gold Banquet. A representative from the District will attend the Crossover ceremony ensure accurate reporting is recorded with Northern Star Council.
- Mustang District is targeting greater than 61% transition for 2017, and greater than 70% for the 2018 season.
- Once the 2018 campaign is complete, Mustang District will solicit feedback from WEBELOS leaders and Scout Masters, as well as parents and boys that transitioned.