WEBELOS Transition to Boy Scout – Sample Questions

The world of Boy Scouting is packed with fun and excitement with activities like camping, hiking, backpacking, swimming, canoeing, fishing, archery, rock climbing and much, much more. The best way to learn about the local Boy Scout Troops is to meet with them and learn more about their program. Here is a list of questions you can ask when you visit.

1. When and where do you meet? How often do you meet?
2. How big is your Troop?
3. How old is your Troop?
4. Which Packs and Schools is your Troop traditionally associated with?
5. Is there a published Troop calendar and what kind of outings do you have planned for the next year?
6. How often do you go camping? Where and when are you going to summer camp?
7. What role do the Boy Scouts and Adult Leaders play in planning and running the Troop?
8. What Program(s) do you have to introduce new Scouts to your Troop and ease their adjustment?
9. What is the registration fee for joining and what will my Scout receive for this fee?
10. How are the Patrols organized? Who serves as the Patrol Leaders?
11. How many adult leaders are there? How long have the current Scoutmaster and Committee Chair been in place?
12. Are the adult and youth leaders trained? What is the Troop doing to ensure they are trained?
13. What is expected from the Parents?
14. What are our fund raisers and how often do we have to participate in them?
15. Is your troop associated with a specific church/faith? If so, what does your Troop do to encourage Scouts of other faiths to explore them with their families?
16. How do you communicate with the families? Website? Newsletters? E-mail?
17. What is the Troop uniform and how soon will I need to get it?
18. What is the advancement record of the Troop? How many Eagles have you produced over the last year/5 years?
19. Does your Troop have any Scouts with physical and/or other challenges and how do you accommodate their needs?
20. What community outreach or other volunteer events does your Troop support?
21. What does your Troop do better than any other Troop?

These simple questions will help your WEBELOS find the right Troop for them.
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