The opening and closing ceremonies can be as complicated or simple as you like. Bringing in a sense of theatricality can help the kids engage.

Opening Ceremony Script

Old Wolf: PACK! PACK! PACK! Timberwolves to their lairs! Nighttime has fallen and the forest comes alive!

Pack: AAAAAAAOOOOOOO! *(Howl like wolves and assemble in their Sixes)*

Old Wolf: Up in the sky is a glorious moon, the stars are shining bright, and wolves that know our sacred Law may hunt with us tonight!

Pack: The Cub respects the Old Wolf, the Cub does not give into themselves!

Old Wolf: Who has come to Pack for a night of good hunting? *(Old Wolf points to each Sixer)*

Sixer(s): *Each sixer shares number of scouts present in Six* [6] [Red] Wolves!

Old Wolf: Timberwolves, leap from your lairs and be seen beneath the moonlight!!! *(Old Wolf points to each Six, Scouts leap from their lairs, march in a circle around the Old Wolf shouting)*

Sixes: We are the [color] Six! We are the [color] Six!

Old Wolf: Pack!! (Scouts stop in a circle around the Old Wolf)

Pack: PACK!

Old Wolf: And the wolves creep back!

Pack: Once, twice, again! *(Scouts step back with each word)*

Old Wolf: Wolves tread lightly in the forest at night, the earth beneath our paws.

Pack: Our paws! *(Scouts hold both hands up in front of them)*

Old Wolf: So much to see – we stay alert! Sharp teeth, sharp eyes, sharp claws.

Pack: Sharp claws! *(Scouts flex fingers into claws)*

Old Wolf: Together we play, together we work, and the word of the Old Wolf is Law

(Scouts sit on haunches, with fingers making ears)

Pack: Olllllld Wolf, We Do Our **jump** Best!

Old Wolf: DYB! DYB! DYB! DYB!

Pack: DOB! DOB! DOB! DOB!

Old Wolf: Thank you my Wolves. I believe you when you say that you are ready to go running with the Pack this night.

Closing Ceremony Script

Old Wolf: PACK! PACK! PACK! Timberwolves to their lairs! The sun is rising in the East!

Pack: AAAAAAAOOOOOOO! *(Howl like wolves and assemble in their Sixes)*

Old Wolf: The mice and owls have gone to slumber, fireflies and bats have too. As a creature of this Forest, I rest my head now, and so shall you. Who is creeping back to their lairs for a long and restful nap? *(Old Wolf points to each Sixer)*

Sixer(s): *Each sixer shares number of scouts present in Six* [6] [Red] Wolves!

Old Wolf: Now the time has come for you to bid the Old Wolf goodbye as we prepare to rest. *(Old Wolf points to each Six, Scouts leap from their lairs, march in a circle around the Old Wolf shouting)*

Sixes: We are the [color] Six! We are the [color] Six!

Old Wolf: Pack!! (Scouts stop in a circle around the Old Wolf)

Pack: PACK!

Old Wolf: And the wolves creep back!

Pack: Once, twice, again! *(Scouts step back with each word)*

Old Wolf: The full moon is fading and the flowers are waking, shaking off the morning dew. Now, Timberwolves, what say you?

(Scouts sit on haunches, with fingers making ears)

Pack: Olllllld Wolf, We Do Our **jump** Best!

Old Wolf: DYB! DYB! DYB! DYB!

Pack: DOB! DOB! DOB! DOB!

Old Wolf: Ah yes!! The Pack has taught you well. And remember all that you have learned this night: a sharp mind, a courageous heart, and thoughtful words and deeds will always carry you far in the forest. I know that my Pack will Do It’s Best until we gather again. Sleep well, Timberwolves! Good hunting!

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