

Advancement

Overview

Advancement is the method by which we promote and encourage the ongoing involvement and commitment that keeps members coming back for more. It works best when it is built into a unit's program so that simply participating leads to meaningful achievement and recognition—and to a continually improving readiness for more complex experiences.

The council executive board, through its advancement committee and district advancement chairs, is responsible for implementing and facilitating advancement and processing most special awards and recognition's. To initiate the advancement or recognition process, a Scout or Venturer should contact his/her unit's leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Team Coach, Venture Crew Advisor, or Sea Scout Skipper).

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Council Advancement Chair

Common Questions

Where can I find the most recent merit badge counselor list?

The merit badge counselor list is now available in Scoutbook. [Click here](#) to find out more.

How do I become a merit badge counselor or edit the badges I counsel?

The Mayflower Council has revised the process to make it easier for those interested in becoming a counselor and those who are currently a counselor looking to change their badges. [Click here](#) to know more.

Are there any supplementary documents needed to obtain the rank of Eagle Scout?

Scouts in the process of attaining the rank of Eagle Scout by complete the Eagle Scout Application (for youth who completed requirements before July 1, 2022) Eagle Scout Application (for youth who completed requirements ON OR AFTER July 1, 2022) and Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook found on the National BSA website.

What are the important emails and links for Eagle Scouts?

There is a new process for submitting Eagle Scout project proposals. Please review this document for the most up to date info.

- To Request Joining Date
- To Submit Eagle Scout Application
- To Submit Project Data

Is there an award used to recognize extraordinary bravery or meritorious action?

Visitors interested in recognizing a registered youth or adult who has performed, or attempted to perform, a life-saving act or has performed another a notable act of service that put into practice Scouting skills and/or ideals, please visit the Life Saving and Meritorious Action Awards page on the National BSA website.

Helpful Links

- Guide to Advancement
- Advancement & Awards
- Internet Advancement
- Merit Badge Process
- Guide for Merit Badge Counselors
- Finding A Merit Badge Counselor
- Info For New and Existing Merit Badge Counselors.
- Lifesaving and Meritorious Action Awards
- Scouting with Special Needs: The ISAP & the IEP
- Eagle Scout Project Workbook

- Eagle Scout Application – for youth who completed requirements ON OR AFTER July 1, 2022
- Eagle Scout Application – for youth who completed requirements before July 1, 2022
- How to Prepare Your Eagle Service Project Proposal and Report
- How to Complete Your Eagle Scout Application Form
- Requesting an Extension For Advancement
- Eagle Scout Reference Letter Procedures
- Eagle Suggested News Release
- MA Society Sons of American Revolution Scholarship

Advancement News



Update on the 19 Cub Scout Elective Adventures

March 23rd, 2022|

In May of 2021, it was announced that 19 Cub Scout Elective Adventures would be retiring at the end of this program year (May 2022). See details here. Elective adventures are reviewed for content [...]



Changes to Den Leader Training Award Devices

March 23rd, 2022|

As part of the National Council's ongoing mission to streamline and simplify the Scouting program, Scouting U, in collaboration with National Supply Group, has identified three Cub Scout device pins that will be discontinued [...]



Scouts Honor: Molly J, Troop 1920 Plymouth

January 31st, 2022|

What do you do when your Girl Scout Troop stops meeting? Well, if you are Molly J, you join a Boy Scout troop, then found a Scouts BSA Girls' Troop, earn Eagle Scout, and [...]



Scouts Honor: Thomas R., Troop 101 Northborough

January 26th, 2022|

Eagle Scout project garnered 300 new LEGO sets for Boston Children's Hospital Recently, children at Boston Children's Hospital received almost 300 new LEGO sets from a former patient turned Mayflower Council Eagle Scout - [...]



A Scout is Helpful: Session Explains Scoutbook

January 25th, 2022 |

The Mayflower Council looks to help leaders open Scoutbook on January 31... Scouts BSA may have been born in 1910, but the current program is a little more contemporary vintage. And since a Scout [...]



Scouting for Inspiration: Hannah Holmes

January 6th, 2022 |

One year ago, this Scout became the first girl to earn all of Scouts BSA's 137 merit badges. Each week at troop meetings around the country, scouts do amazing things. However, sometimes a Scout [...]

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