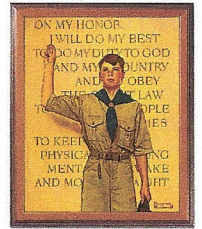




Guidelines for Advancement to Eagle Scout

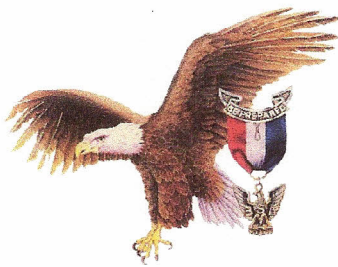
As a scout achieves the ranks of Star and Life Scout, he will be required take on leadership roles within the troop. These are outlined in Scout Handbook.

An important part of achieving these ranks is the scout's willingness to take on these roles and perform them to best of his abilities. In other words, **"Attitude Counts!"** This is all part demonstrating that the scout lives by the **Scout Oath and Law.**



In order to be approved to precede down the Eagle Scout path the scout must have met requirements outlined above.

After a scout reaches the rank Life Scout, he would have already invested a tremendous amount of time and energy in his Scouting career. He is to be highly commended.



At the Life Scout, Scoutmaster Conference or Board of Review, the Scoutmaster should inform the Scout that they will have the opportunity to advance to the Eagle Rank if they are so inclined.

Achievement of the Eagle Scout rank is not a requirement, nor is it a right of membership in the troop.

If scout wished to pursue the Eagle Path, the Scoutmaster will bring the scout's request other members of Troop Leadership to make sure that the scout is mature enough, has fulfilled his obligations to both himself and the Troop, met participation expectations, been a meaningful presence at meetings, on camping trips and troop events, assisted troop leadership and demonstrate that he lives by the Scout Oath and Law. Once approved, the Scout will be instructed to set up a meeting with his Advancement Coordinator, the Scoutmaster and the Eagle Coordinator to discuss the path to Eagle Scout and the Eagle packet.

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An Eagle Scout project may take a year or more to complete depending upon its complexity.

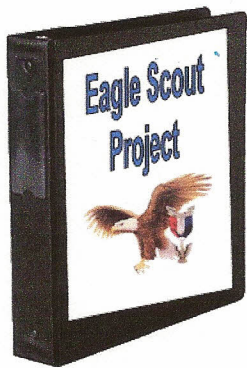
During the meeting to discuss the Eagle packet, the scout and his parents need to understand that the advancement to Eagle Scout will take a considerable amount of time, effort and involvement in the troop. The scout must be prepared to engage himself



in a process that is demanding, challenging, time consuming and at times frustrating. The BSA has designed this process to further develop leadership skills learned as Star Scouts and Life Scouts and to develop valuable life skills that will be of great benefit to the scout.

This meeting should be about understanding the process and setting expectations. It is not recommended that any project specifics be discussed at this meeting.

Once this meeting is completed and the scout and his family understand what is involved, he should be given the Eagle Scout packet and told that he will have to follow these steps:



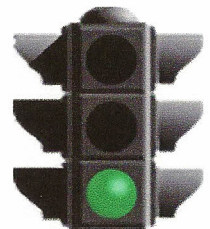
- Reach out to the organization or sponsor to see what they need and start to frame his project proposal. The proposal should be written as outlined in the Eagle Project workbook.
- The proposal will be reviewed by the Advancement Coordinator, the Eagle Coordinator and the Scoutmaster to see that it fulfills all of the BSA requirements for an Eagle Scout Project. At this point the scout should fully expect that revisions will be made to his proposal (He may need to add more work to the project to fulfill the Leadership requirement.)

This process is important so that the project meets BSA standards and is something that brings honor to the troop as well as the scout. It is important to note that no work such as fundraising and procurement of materials should be started until the project has been approved by the Council Eagle Board.

Once the proposal is approved by the Advancement Coordinator, the Eagle Coordinator and the Scoutmaster, the scout must secure the appropriate signatures for his proposal. He should then arrange a meeting with the Council Eagle Representative.

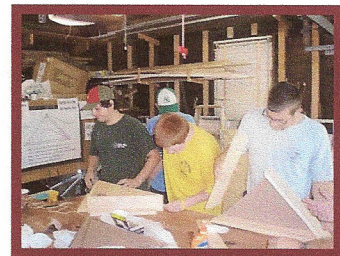
At the meeting, the Council Eagle Representative may approve the project, approve the project subject to changes, ask for revisions and resubmission or reject with recommendations for changes. The Scout would be obliged to abide by the Council Eagle Representative's changes/recommendations.

Once the Council Eagle Representative accepts the proposal he will submit it to the Council Eagle Board and present it for consideration. If approved, the representative would sign the Eagle workbook. This would, in essence, be the green light for the scout to begin the physical phase of the project.





Before the Scout is ready to begin the physical stage of the project he should meet with the Scoutmaster to schedule the work. The scout would then keep the troop updated on his progress. Coming down to meetings with sign-up sheets and permission slips; he would try to involve as much of the troop in his endeavor as possible.



Upon conclusion of the physical part of the project, the scout would then summarize his experience, detailing changes and challenges he was faced with, along with other unexpected situations which may have arose. Stressing leadership as the main thread throughout the project is a must.

The Eagle Candidate would submit his project book to the Advancement Coordinator, the Eagle Coordinator and the Scoutmaster for review. Once again the book may be subject to changes prior to securing the final signatures. Once the book has been finalized; the scout will then make arrangements to submit his book to the Council Eagle Representative for his review.

Finish Line



1. Obtain the Blue Certificate from the Council Eagle Representative which proves acceptance of the Eagle Project book.
2. Complete the Eagle Scout application. This includes: **Dates of positions held in the troop; Total hours of the project; Contacts for letters of recommendation; Merit badges and the dates they were earned.**

Note: Although the dates for earned merit badges are entered into the Troopmaster database, it is the date on the blue card which should be entered on the application. ***"I hope you have been keeping them in a safe place!"***

3. Arrange for a Scoutmaster Conference and obtain the Scoutmaster's signature for the application.
4. Obtain final signature of the Troop Committee Chairman for the application.
5. Write a two paragraph summary of your project and a one page summary of what you learned during project and your future plans. This should be reviewed by your Advancement Coordinator.
6. Submit your paper work to the Theodore Roosevelt Council at 544 Broadway, Massapequa NY. The final packet should include: The Eagle Scout application; Project summary, Future Plans summary and your Blue Certificate.
7. Assuming all your paperwork is correct and letters of recommendation have been received, in approximately 4 – 5 weeks, your Scoutmaster should receive notification that an Eagle Board of Review should be scheduled.