



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
TROOP/CREW 179
FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN



Requirements for Obtaining the Eagle Scout Rank

1. Be active in your troop for a period of at least 6 months after you have achieved the rank of Life Scout.
 - See Scoutmaster Chuck Williams to sign off.
2. As a Life Scout, demonstrate Scout Spirit by living the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Tell how you have done your duty to God, how you have lived the Scout Oath and Scout Law in your everyday life, and how your understanding of the Scout Oath and Scout Law will guide your life in the future. List on your Eagle Scout Rank Application the names of individuals who know you personally and would be willing to provide a recommendation on your behalf, including parents/guardians, and four other references.
 - In Michigan Crossroads Council, we employ a reference checking system where you will need to secure a letter of recommendation from these five individuals. These letters must be sealed and mailed to Jim Weinfurther, Troop 179 Eagle Scout Advisor.
 - You should be following up on this with Mr. Weinfurther, he cannot schedule a board of review until he has received the letters.
 - See Scoutmaster Chuck Williams to sign off.
3. Earn a total of 21 merit badges (10 more than required for the Life rank), including these 14 merit badges: (a) First Aid, (b) Citizenship in the Community, (c) Citizenship in the Nation, (d) Citizenship in Society, (e) Citizenship in the World, (f) Communication, (g) Cooking, (h) Personal Fitness, (i) Emergency Preparedness OR Lifesaving, (j) Environmental Science OR Sustainability, (k) Personal Management, (l) Swimming OR Hiking OR Cycling, (m) Camping, and (n) Family Life.
 - You must choose only one of the merit badges listed in categories h, i, and k. Any additional merit badge(s) earned in those categories may be counted as one of your eight optional merit badges used to make your total of 21. All merit badges start with Assistant Scoutmaster Dawn Dowds approvals, before starting work and after the merit badge is completed.
 - Obtain a copy of your Individual Advancement Report from Ms. Dawn Dowds to get the official date for each merit badge (you must first provide Ms. Dawn with a list of workers on your Eagle Project).
 - See Assistant Scoutmaster Dawn Dowds to sign off.
4. While a Life Scout, serve actively in your troop for six months in one or more of the following positions of responsibility:
 - **Scout troop.** Patrol leader, assistant senior patrol leader, senior patrol leader, troop guide, Order of the Arrow troop representative, den chief, scribe, librarian, historian, quarter- master, junior assistant Scoutmaster, chaplain aide, instructor, webmaster, or outdoor ethics guide.
 - **Venturing crew.** President, vice president, secretary, treasurer, den chief, historian, guide, quartermaster, chaplain aide, or outdoor ethics guide.
 - See Scoutmaster Chuck Williams to sign off.
5. While a Life Scout, plan, develop, and give leadership to others in a service project helpful to any religious institution, any school, or your community. (The project must benefit an organization other than Scouting America.) A project proposal must be approved by the organization benefiting from the effort, your Scoutmaster and unit committee, and the council or district before you start. You must use the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook, Scouting America publication No. 512-927, in meeting this requirement. (To learn more about the Eagle Scout service project, see the Guide to Advancement, topics 9.0.2.0 through 9.0.2.16.) (See pages 418–419.)
 - You can download "Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook" from www.troop179.org in the library.
 - See Mr. Weinfurther for ideas and advice on getting started and finding an Eagle Project. Contact approved organizations and go over "Navigating the Eagle Scout Service Project, Information for Project Beneficiaries" found in the workbook. Once Mr. Weinfurther has approved of an idea you should then start writing down the plan in your Eagle Project Workbook.
 - Complete the "Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal" (a section in the workbook). Present the proposal to the organization that your Eagle Project is benefiting and ask them to provide an advisor for the project. Have the Advisor give his or her approval to the project by signing the "Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal".



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- Complete the Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Application (a form in the workbook) if your plans include raising money to purchase materials for the project. You do not need this form if the organization or other benefactors (your parents) are providing funds for the project.
 - Present the plan and Workbook to Troop Eagle Advisor Jim Weinfurther for his approval and signature. Present the proposal to Scoutmaster Chuck Williams for his approval and signature. Finally present the proposal to Mr. Brad Payne, Ottawa District Eagle Projects Chair, for his approval and signature. You should contact these people to set up an appointment.
 - **BE SURE YOU HAVE SIGNATURES OF APPROVAL FROM YOUR PROJECT ADVISOR, MR. WEINFURTHER, MR. WILLIAMS, AND MR. PAYNE BEFORE STARTING YOUR PROJECT!**
 - Next, you should finalize the plan for the project. Use the "*Eagle Scout Service Project Final Plan*" (a form in the workbook) to make notes and create a step-by-step blueprint of your plans for completing the project. **THIS FORM IS REQUIRED AT YOUR EAGLE SCOUT BOARD OF REVIEW.**
 - Complete the Eagle Scout Service Project. Take Pictures before, during and after completing your project. Keep track of Materials and their cost, Tools, Workers and their hours spent on the project.
 - When the project is completed fill in the "*Eagle Scout Service Project Report*" (a form in the Workbook). Sign the book stating your completion of the project and have the beneficiaries and Scoutmaster Chuck Williams sign that your project was completed in your "*Eagle Scout Service Project Report*". You should present to Mr. Weinfurther your Eagle Scout Report including the "*Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal*", the "*Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Application*" (if needed), the "*Eagle Scout Service Project Final Plan*", and the "*Eagle Scout Service Project Report*". This packaged Report will then be ready to present at your Eagle Scout Board of Review.
6. While a Life Scout, participate in a Scoutmaster conference.
- See Scoutmaster Chuck Williams to sign off.
7. Successfully complete your board of review for the Eagle Scout rank. (This requirement may be met after age 18)
- Prior to the board of review fill out the Eagle Scout Application 512-728 WB (download from www.troop179.org in the library).
 - Completely fill in both sides of the Eagle Scout Rank Application. You should use the fillable form so that it can be **typed** or hand written legibly and in ink.
 - In preparation for your board of review, prepare and attach to your Eagle Scout Rank Application a statement of your ambitions and life purpose and a listing of positions held in your religious institution, school, camp, community, or other organizations, during which you demonstrate leadership skills. Include honors and awards received during this service.
 - You will need to collect **all** required signatures on the back of the application up to the BSA Local Council Verification section.
 - The application is turned into either Mr. Weinfurther or SM Chuck Williams only. They will send the application to the council service center and obtain the verification and have it at your Board of Review.

After completing the Board of Review the Troop will present you with an Eagle Scout Patch for you to wear on your uniform. Mr. Weinfurther will deliver your Application and Statement of Life Purpose to Michigan Crossroads Council for approval. Upon review by the Scout Executive the Application is forwarded to the National Council of Scouting America for their review and approval. You will then be mailed your credentials. You and your parents can decide on which Court of Honor will be best for you. The Troop conducts three National Courts of Honor a year in the Fall, Winter and Spring. Congratulations, New Eagle Scout.

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