

EAGLE PROJECT APPROVAL
Silver Gate District Advancement Committee
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This is a guideline to be used for Eagle Project approvals in the Silver Gate District. Members of the Advancement Committee will be available to respond to requests and discuss Eagle Projects at the District Roundtables. These are every month on the 1st Thursday at the First United Methodist Church at Virginia Street and Sonoma Boulevard at 7 p.m. (Enter from Sonoma Blvd door). You can also leave a message at (707) 554-0359. Please speak clearly and be sure to leave a phone number at which you can be reached, and I will return the call as soon as I can, or email me at phloxplace@att.net and set up an appointment.

Projects:

Only when a Scout has achieved the rank of Life Scout can he start on his Eagle Project. He will need a copy of the Eagle Project Workbook. These are available from the District Advancement Chair, and all the material will be reviewed at that time. Then he can decide on a suitable project. He must plan, develop, and give leadership to others where the project benefits any Religious Institution, School, Community, Charity, Conservation, or Non-Profit Organization etc. This project must conform to the wishes and regulations of those that the project is to benefit.

Approval Process:

The Scout must secure the approval of his Unit Leader, the Unit Committee, the Benefactor of the project, and lastly, the District Advancement Committee Chair or their designee before the project can be started. The final approval will be done with the candidate pitching his project to the District Advancement Committee. Have a detailed list of equipment and supplies that you will need for the project including your safety equipment and first aid kits, water and cups. List and describe possible safety hazards that are anticipated during the project and how to avoid or deal with them if they arise. For example, safety glasses to avoid eye injuries, gloves to protect hands and long pants and shirtsleeves to protect the body.

The Committee will meet every 2nd Tuesday of each month to hear project approval requests or to assist with paperwork. Phone Mr. Beckham or Mr. Sweet on or before the Monday prior to the meeting for an appointment. Be sure all parts of the Eagle Project Workbook are filled out completely with signatures of the group the project is benefiting on page 6, and signatures on the bottom of page 9. Remember **DO NOT START THE PROJECT UNTIL THE APPROVAL IS GRANTED.**

It is recommended that the Scout be in full BSA Scout uniform with the proper shirt, pants, rank, correct epaulets, etc. when he presents his project to the District Advancement Committee for approval. A member of the unit's adult leadership is also encouraged to attend as well. The same dress code should be used for the final Board of Review. The adult leadership attendance is also recommended at the Board of Review.

Project:

The project should be the Scout's project, not a project that is ongoing or a project that was going to be done anyway by the organization. The project should be one of pride, something that will be of a permanent nature and one that he will be able to drive by years in the future and say "I did that as my Eagle Project." Keep good records of the project. Keep lists and logs of all phone conversations, planning meetings, and be sure to type up all proposals. Keep records of all persons who worked on the project, and how long they worked. Take plenty of pictures before, during, and after and add these to the Workbook.

All Done:

When the Project is completed and all requirements for Eagle rank are complete, fill out the Eagle Application in full certified by the Council Office in Pleasant Hill. Then contact the District Advancement Chairperson and ask to schedule an Eagle Board of Review. Make sure all records are up to date before the Board of Review and have them available. Remember the Scout must complete all requirements for the rank of Eagle by his 18th birthday. The District Advancement Chairman will schedule a BOR as soon as possible. (See Eagle Board of Review Information.)