



Troop Guide of Advancement

Description:	Appointed by the Senior Patrol Leader to increase the troop's understanding of the advancement process and awareness of other awards and achievements that are available; primarily a resource to Scouts older than first year Scouts, since the first-year patrols usually have dedicated Troop Guides to assist them	
Reports To:	Senior Patrol Leader	
Eligibility:	Star rank or higher, unless special approval is given by the Scoutmaster	
Duties:	<p>Become familiar with rank advancement requirements and processes and be able to serve as a resource to Scouts who have questions.</p> <p>Know and teach others where to find merit badge pamphlets and resources on the national Scouting website.</p> <p>Research and share information about optional awards and achievements that are available in Scouting. For example, encourage Scouts to complete National Outdoor Awards, conservation awards, Mile Swim, Lifesaving BSA, etc.</p> <p>Share information about advancement events in the district and council, such as Merit Badge University.</p> <p>Meet with individual Scouts or groups of Scouts to understand their advancement progress or frustrations, and to help them get "un-stuck" if needed.</p> <p>Publicize advancement accomplishments of Scouts in the troop.</p> <p>Challenge Eagle Scouts to remain active and earn Eagle Palms and other awards.</p> <p>Conduct periodic quality control checks on the youth sign-off process for rank advancements in Troop 202.</p>	
Tools:	Rank Requirements – Scout Rank Requirements – Second Class Rank Requirements – Star Rank Requirements – Eagle Scouting America Merit Badge Hub	Rank Requirements – Tenderfoot Rank Requirements – First Class Rank Requirements – Life Steps from Life to Eagle