GREATER ST. LOUIS AREA SCOUTING

EAGLE SCOUT RANK GUIDE AND CHECKLIST

THE PROJECT

- ❑ **Read the entire current BSA Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook and Life to Eagle packet. A copy can be downloaded from scoutingstl.org/life-to-eagle-scout-process/**
- ❑ **Attend your District's Life to Eagle Seminar.**
- ❑ **Read the Life to Eagle packet. A copy can be located on the scoutingstl.org/life-to-eagle-scout-process/, your local Council office, or Scout Shop.**
- ❑ **Discuss with your unit the options for an Eagle Scout Coach or Mentor.**
- ❑ **Investigate possible projects. Discuss the plans with the unit leaders, Charter Organization Representative, and coach/mentor to gain their approval.**
- ❑ **Complete the Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal section of the workbook.**
- ❑ **Meet with your district's project review committee. Do not start any further project steps until approval is received from the district. This is the first of two meetings that you will have with the district committee.**
- ❑ **Complete your service project, workbook, fundraising (if needed), merit badges, and position of responsibility tenure before turning 18 years old. The last day to complete all requirements is the day before 18th birthday.**

REVIEW EAGLE REQUIREMENTS

- ❑ **Met time requirements between First Class and Star, at least four months.**
- ❑ **Met time requirements between Star and Life, at least six months.**
- ❑ **Met time requirements between Life and Eagle BOR, at least six months.**
- ❑ **Earn the appropriate total number of merit badges. Four eagle required and two elective badges prior to Star BOR, three eagle required and 2 elective badges prior to Life BOR. No merit badges earned prior to joining Scouts BSA or after 18th birthday. The total number of badges needed for Eagle Rank is 21.**
- ❑ **Met six month time requirement in a qualified position of responsibility while a Life Scout.**

LETTERS and SCOUTMASTER CONFERENCE

- ❑ **Request 4 letters of reference, or 5 if you are employed. These letters should be returned to you in sealed envelopes. You will present the sealed envelopes at the next district meeting. District may give alternative instructions for collection of the letters.**
- ❑ **Write an Ambition and Life Purpose statement as described on the Eagle Rank Application. This is a freeform letter, there isn't a form. It can be as detailed as you like.**
- ❑ **Complete Scoutmaster conference.**

EAGLE APPLICATION

- ❑ **Read the entire application; including the fine print. The Eagle Rank Application can be printed from Scoutbook. Complete all sections. Must be legible.**
- ❑ **Use full, legal name.**
- ❑ **Date of all ranks and merit badges must match the Council's records. The unit must have all achievements uploaded before Council review occurs. Use the date the badge was completed, not the date started.**
- ❑ **All date fields must be a digit form, do not list any alpha characters in a date field.**
- ❑ **List project name and total hours of everyone that worked on the project. Include planning time.**
- ❑ **Cross out the badges not used for badges that list optional badges.**
- ❑ **Obtain the correct signatures on the Eagle application.**

COUNCIL'S REVIEW

- ❑ **Submit the Eagle Application, project signature pages, Ambition and Life Purpose statement, letters of recommendation, blue cards are optional, to the Council Service Center for review and verification. The Eagle application will be signed when everything is correct on the eagle application. Blue cards are used for discrepancies.**

EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW

- ❑ **Meet with the District Eagle Board for review and approval.**
- ❑ **Return the signed Eagle Application to the Council office. The council must submit the application to National.**

PLAN YOUR COURT OF HONOR AFTER YOUR EAGLE CERTIFICATE IS RECEIVED

- ❑ **Palm certificates will be included with your Eagle Certificate. Palm pins can be purchased at the Scout Shop along with other Eagle celebration items.**