



General Nash District Life to Eagle



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Important Resources

- **Guide To Advancement**
- **Guide To Safe Scouting**
- **District Life to Eagle process**

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Merit Badges

- **First Aid**
- **Citizenship in the Community**
- **Citizenship in the Nation**
- **Citizenship in the World**
- **Citizenship in Society**
- **Communication**
- **Cooking**
- **Personal Fitness**
- **Emergency Preparedness OR Lifesaving**
- **Environmental Science OR Sustainability**
- **Personal Management**
- **Swimming OR Hiking OR Cycling**
- **Camping**
- **Family Life**

PLUS – 7 Additional of your choice

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3 Month Merit Badges

Personal Fitness

Complete & Log a 12 week physical fitness program

Family Life

Log duties or chores for 3 months

Personal Management

Track income, expenses, savings for 12 weeks

One after another – at least 36 weeks, 8 months

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Personal Management

Track income, expenses, savings for 12 weeks

Work concurrently, but log at the same time
+/- 14 weeks – 3.5 months

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Timeline



First Class					Star								Life							Eagle
By Age 16 and 3 months	4 Months in Rank 4 Months Leadership				By Age 16 and 8 Months	6 Months in Rank 6 Months Leadership					By age 17 and 3 months	6 Months in Rank 6 Months Leadership				By 18				

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Leadership Requirements

- **STAR: 4 Months in Leadership Position(s)**
- **LIFE: 6 Months in Leadership Position(s)**
- **Eagle: 6 Months in Leadership Position(s)**

Patrol Leader
SPL
Assistant SPL
Troop Guide
OA Representative
Den Chief

Scribe
Librarian
Historian
Quartermaster
Bugler*
Jr Asst Scoutmaster

Chaplain's Aide
Instructor
Webmaster
Outdoor Ethics Guide

**Bugler cannot be used for Eagle Rank positions of responsibility*

Several Venture Crew or Sea Scout Leadership Positions CAN be used to fulfill position of responsibility requirements.

More than one position may be used to fill the requirement for a given rank, as long as the total time adds up to the required time.

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The Project

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Develop Your Project

- **Ideas for Projects**
 - Google – search for eagle projects
 - Start from an organization or group whose work you admire or that is important to you.
 - i.e. your elementary school, local land / trails preservation, Cancer Foundation, your religious institution, etc
 - ASK THEM WHAT THEY NEED!
- **Develop the Project – Work out an approach and start to estimate the size.**
- **Find people who are knowledgeable about the work being done**
- **Give Leadership**

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SAFE Checklist

- **Supervision**
- **Assessment**
- **Fitness & Skill**
- **Equipment and Environment**

- Guide to Safe Scouting –

We don't expect you to be an expert, but make sure you have someone knowledgeable advising you.

As the leader, you are responsible for safety on your project

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Definitions

- **Beneficiary:** The organization or institution that you're doing the work for
- **Beneficiary Representative:** One person, chosen by the beneficiary organization to represent them in discussing and approving the project.
- **Eagle Project Coach:** a Scout leader who will:
 - Advise you in developing your project
 - Advise you in completing your Project Workbook
 - Advise you in leading the execution of your project
 - Help you to navigate any challenges or issues during the process

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Fundraising Application

- **Required if you will be collecting money or material donations other than from the beneficiary, the candidate, the chartered organization, and the candidate’s parents, guardians, or relatives, as well as the unit or individuals in the Scout’s unit.**
- **Emphasize that requests for donations or fundraisers are not for “the candidate’s Eagle Project”, rather the candidate will be soliciting or raising funds “on behalf of the beneficiary for the project”.**
- **ANY funds raised or materials donated are the property of the beneficiary, not the unit, Eagle candidate, or charter org.**
- **Unsure? Start with the Fundraising Application page B of the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook and the BSA fundraising guidelines.**

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District Project Approval Meeting

- Complete the Proposal section of the Eagle Project Workbook, and get signatures from the Beneficiary Rep, Scoutmaster (or Crew / Ship Unit Leader) and Unit Committee Chair
- Request a project meeting with District Representatives:
 - Austin Armstrong, (267) 218-1817
 - Jo Anne Strom, (215)272-4155
- Be Prepared to leave a clear message with your name, phone#, unit #, and the reason for the call.

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Helpful Tips for your Project Proposal

- Read and understand the requirements for the Eagle Project at the beginning of the Workbook. Then read them again. If you have questions about what is allowed or what is appropriate, further guidance is available from the BSA Guide To Advancement
- Don't leave blanks. If a section or heading does not apply to your project, put "Not applicable".
- Use plenty of pictures. You can put pictures on a separate page (PowerPoint is one easy way to do this). Include captions to describe what you are showing. If you are putting pictures on a separate page, add a note "See attached" in the workbook text box. Label each page of pictures with the section or question being answered in the workbook.
- Drawings, diagrams, maps all can be very effective in showing what you are trying to accomplish. Google Maps or Google Earth can provide aerial photography of a site. If your proposal is 100% clear to us without any additional discussion, that makes it very easy to approve.

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Are you ready for your Project Approval Meeting?

- Does the project meet the guidelines laid down in the Workbook & Guide To Advancement?
- Have you given thought to the level of effort and how long the project will take?
- Have you considered how the project will be funded? Do you understand the BSA fundraising rules for Eagle Projects?
- Have you considered the safety of those working on the project, as well as those using the project in the future.

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Proposal Approval Meeting

- **Arrive on time, prepared to discuss your project**
- **You are encouraged to wear a full “Class A” uniform. At a minimum you are asked to dress neatly, as though going to a job interview.**
- **You must bring your original paper copy of your Eagle Project Proposal with any supporting documentation pages (pictures, maps, drawings, etc). The Proposal must have signatures for the Project Beneficiary, Unit Leader, and Committee Chair. This document is what we are approving.**
- **At our meeting we will;**
 - Discuss the project, review the work required and the safety considerations
 - Offer advice on proceeding to your Project Plan
 - Review the process for submitting your completed Application and Project Workbook
 - If all is in order, approve and sign your Proposal

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PROJECT PLAN

- **Start Documenting (ALL!) Hours**
- **Don't skimp on the Project Plan – you're cheating yourself and your volunteers.**

“By Failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.” – Benjamin Franklin

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Accommodations, Substitutions, Time Extensions

- **Registration Beyond the Age of Eligibility;** allows a scout with developmental or cognitive challenges to remain a youth participant beyond the age of 18.
- **Accommodations / modifications to rank requirements Scout – First Class (*With Council Approval*)**
- **Rank Requirements Star – Eagle must be met “as written”**
- **Alternate Merit Badges can be substituted with Council Approval**

Read the Guide to Advancement, section 10, and contact the District Advancement Chair for advice and process

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