

Pacifica District Eagle Process

Eagle Scout Service Project Approval

- Must be a Life Scout and have District approval before beginning any work on the project
- To obtain District approval, Scouts should contact Mr. Larry Simpkin
 - First, email Mr. Simpkin at <u>larrysimpkin@yahoo.com</u>, and copy <u>Pacifica.Advancement @gmail.com</u>, with the following information: Scout's name, age, troop number, phone number, and a brief description of the proposed project.
 - The Scout will then call Mr. Simpkin at 714-894-7975 to be assigned a project advisor. Please wait a day before calling so Mr. Simpkin has time to review the project description.
 - A project advisor will be assigned to review the project proposal and help finalize the paperwork before the Scout begins his project. No work should be started on the project until the Scout has received approval from the advisor.
- The project must benefit a religious institution, school, or your community, and present an
 opportunity for the Scout to demonstrate planning, development, and leadership. It cannot
 involve routine labor or maintenance.
- Scouts must use the current BSA Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook.
- Service projects that are expected to raise more than \$1,000 (except from exempt parties) must utilize the Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Application. This \$1,000 limit of nonexempt funds applies to the total of cash and gifts in kind. A Fundraising application is not required, regardless of amount raised, if all funds come from exempt parties (the candidate, his parents, his relatives, his unit or its chartered organization, parents or members of his unit, or the beneficiary).

Advance Notice for 18 Year Olds

Scouts turning 18, not parents or leaders, should contact **Mr. Robin Templin** (714-397-0983) at least 30 days before their 18th birthday to discuss timing, even if paperwork is not completed. This is common courtesy, and helps ensure that we have an adult who can meet with the Scout when they are ready. A Scout is Courteous.

Stopping the Clock

All requirements for the Eagle rank must be completed, including the Scoutmaster Conference, no later than the day before the Scout's 18th birthday. The Scoutmaster Conference "stops the clock," assuming all requirements are completed.

Please note that the Eagle requirements do not change for "cardiac Eagle". All requirements must be completed. No more, no less.

Eagle Application Process

When a Scout is ready to submit his application for district review, they should call **Mr. Robin Templin** (714-397-0983). He will assign the Scout to one of the members of the district advancement team, who will meet with the Scout and review their application.

Scouts need to submit the following:

- A <u>completed</u> Eagle application (current version), including signatures from the Scoutmaster and Committee Chair and a statement of ambitions and life purpose and a listing of positions held in religious institution, school, camp, community, or other organizations).
- A <u>completed</u> Eagle project workbook, including signatures from Scoutmaster and project beneficiary
- Boy Scout Handbook, with all sections for Eagle rank completed and signed by Scoutmaster
- A computer printout of the Scout's advancement record from Orange County Council

No religious reference? On the Eagle application, list parents on the line for religious reference, since it was their parents' responsibility to expose them to religion. Scouts have the option of writing a "Statement of Religious Belief."

Leaders, please review the applications before signing them. We've had to send back nearly half of the Scouts due to incomplete or inaccurate information. This creates extra work for my team and could be avoided if leaders did a more thorough job during the Scoutmaster Conference.

District Board of Review

Mr. Templin will schedule the District Eagle Board of Review and select board members. Scouts do not have the option of inviting specific adults. The Board of Review cannot be scheduled until the Eagle application has been approved by Orange County Council and all appraisal letters are received.

Scouts must use the Orange County Council confidential appraisal form, which can be found at ocbsa.org/life-to-eagle. Appraisals should be mailed to Mr. Robin Templin. These should not be sent to Scout Office.

Help us manage the expectations of Scouts and their parents. It takes 4-5 weeks to process the application at Orange County Council, collect appraisal letters, schedule board members, and reserve a meeting room.

We want the district board to be a positive experience for the Scout. Please let me know ahead of time if the Scout has medical or learning disabilities. This will allow me to select appropriate adults for the board of review. Also, consider holding a mock board if the Scout is shy or uncomfortable speaking with adults.

Pacifica District Website https://pacifica.ocbsa.org/

Our district website has a Life to Eagle section that provides all of the information needed.

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Let your Scouts know that we are volunteers, so please don't call during business hours