Welcome – to your final challenges on the trail to Eagle Scout.

Your District Eagle Advisor group is here to help and guide you through the process from Life Scout through your Eagle Scout Board of Review.

Like most Scouters we are involved with family, scouting and a few other things. Working with Eagle candidates is just one of our activities. You will contact us for reviewing your project proposal, your final paperwork, and any questions in between.

Always include your name, and for Youth Protection purposes please include one or both of your parents and/or a Scout leader in any email correspondence.

Below are some links and other resources that will help you achieve your goals. We look forward to working with you and guiding you through the Eagle Scout process.

ITEM 1 – Materials and Resources

- 1. Eagle Scout Rank Application: https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-728 WB fillable.pdf
- 2. Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook-2021: https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-927_fillable.pdf
- 3. Confidential Appraisal form: https://www.ocbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Confidential-Appraisal-of-Candidate-02-23-18 FILLABLE.pdf
- 4. Eagle Processing Checklist: https://www.ocbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Eagle-Scout-Processing-Checklist.pdf
- 5. Letter to Parents: https://www.ocbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Letter-to-Parents.pdf
- 6. Request for Extension of Time to Earn Eagle Scout Rank-2021
- 7. Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraisers: https://www.ocbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Eagle-Scout-Service-Project-Fundraiser-Policy.pdf and https://eagle-scout-fundraising-form.pdffiller.com/
- 8. Covid Eagle Projects: https://www.ocbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Covid-Eagle-Projects.pdf

Please review **all** of these documents **before** you do anything else. They will help you, guide you and answer most questions.

ITEM 2 – Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook

You must use this Workbook to prepare your project. (You can type directly into the Workbook then save & change.) Please **READ** the entire Workbook before you begin.

There are four (4) parts to the Workbook:

- Proposal This is an overview (description) of your project. Tell us: What? Where? Why? Who for?
 When? How? Reason: To review and approve your concept and preliminary plan before you spend time
 and effort on final plan details. YOUR PROJECT AND ANY FUNDRAISER MUST BE REVIEWED AND
 APPROVED BEFORE YOU BEGIN ANY WORK OR FUNDRAISING.
- Fundraising Application In O.C. a fundraising application is only needed for fundraisers and vendor
 contributions when the total will be over \$1,000. Talk with me if you have any questions and/or if any
 changes occur.
- **Final Plan** This is where you add all planning and development details to create a final plan. It is recommended, but not required, that you work with a Project Coach in preparing your final plan. You are now ready to start your project.
- **Project Report** This is a review of your experience during the project. In other words, what went right, what went wrong, and what did you learn. Complete this after you are done.

ITEM 3 – Eagle Scout Rank Application

There are seven (7) requirements for Eagle Scout. All requirements (except the Eagle Scout board of review) <u>must</u> <u>be completed before your 18th birthday</u>.

Please **READ** the entire Application. It will be a record of your progress. It will also guide you on the steps that must be completed.

Requirement 1 – Active in troop for <u>6 months after Life Scout</u>.

Requirement 2 – This is list of individuals who are willing to provide a recommendation on your behalf. You will send / give a copy of the Eagle Scout Confidential Appraisal Letter to each of these individuals. (See ITEM 1 - #3)

Requirement 3 – There are 13 required merit badges and 8 additional merit badges required for Eagle Scout. Note: Personal Fitness and Personal Management require 90 days to complete. Plan accordingly. Use the date on the "blue" merit badge card on the application. You must cross out Eagle badges not earned where indicated.

Requirement 4 – Serve in an approved position of responsibility for <u>6 months or more after Life Scout</u>. List only those positions served <u>after Life Scout</u>.

Requirement 5 – Plan, develop, and give leadership to others in a service project. (See ITEM 2)

Requirement 6 – Take part in a unit leader conference.

Requirement 7 – Successfully complete an Eagle Scout board of review.

AND

Prepare and attach a statement of your ambitions and life purpose and a listing of positions held in your religious institution, school, camp, community, or other organizations, during which you demonstrated leadership skills, including honors and awards received during this service.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- 1. You can work on your merit badges, your project, and the other requirements listed on your application all at the same time. You do not have to complete one part before starting another.
- 2. Frequently scouts only contact an Advisor when the scout wants approval on his Project Proposal. You should talk with your Advisor when you have an idea for your project and are ready to get started. **YOUR PROJECT MUST BE APPROVED BEFORE YOU BEGIN ANY WORK OR FUNDRAISING.**
- 3. Scouts often underestimate the time required to plan, develop, and carry-out their project. More often, scouts underestimate the time required to obtain approvals.
- 4. Watch your deadlines:
 - 6 months (min) between Life and Eagle
 - 6 months (min) position of responsibility after Life
 - 3 months for Personal Fitness, 3 months for Personal Management
 - 18th birthday to complete all Eagle Scout requirements
- 5. Send out Confidential Appraisals materials to references. Have them email their letters directly to <u>ofda.chairman@gmail.com</u> as a **PDF** attachment or MAIL their letters back to: Norm Herron, PO Box 1717, Los Alamitos, CA 90720, to arrive prior to your Eagle Board of Review date.
- 6. When you have completed the first six (6) requirements listed on the Eagle Scout Rank Application, then:
 - Scout, Unit Leader, and Committee Chair signs the Eagle Application
 - Contact your District Eagle Advisor to schedule the final application review, and to check data. Scan and send your signed application, the OCBSA merit badge report, statement of ambitions / purpose, and your completed project workbook.
 - District Eagle Advisor schedules the board of review
 - District Eagle Advisor group conducts Eagle Scout board of review