

# THE AMERICAN LEGION EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR

# NOMINATION FORM



# **Eligibility Requirements**

#### THE NOMINEE MUST:

 Be either a registered active member of a Boy Scouts of America unit that is chartered to an American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit or Sons of The American Legion squadron.

#### OR

 Be a registered active member of any chartered Boy Scouts of America unit and have a parent or grandparent possessing up-to-date membership in The American Legion or Sons of The American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary, and in the case of a recently deceased member, their membership for the year immediately prior to the current year may be used.

#### AND

- Received the Eagle Scout Award.
- Received a Scouts BSA or Venturer Religious Emblem.
- Have demonstrated practical citizenship in church, school, Scouting and community.
- Have reached their 15th birthday and be enrolled in high school at the time of selection.
- Applied through the department (state) in which their Scout unit is chartered.

APPLICANTS: DO NOT SEND THIS APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS. SUBMIT TO YOUR AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT (STATE) HEADQUARTERS.



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# NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS



The Scout who best meets the qualifications outlined in the nomination application will be selected as the annual American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year by the National Americanism Commission.

Each year the American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will travel to join the youth champion delegation of The American Legion for participation in the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

### **Scholarships**

The American Legion provides for a national scholarship to be awarded to the Eagle Scout who is selected The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year.

The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. Three runner-up scholarship awards will be granted in the amount of \$2,500 each.

The scholarship recipients will be eligible to receive their scholarship immediately upon graduation from high school (public, parochial, military, private, or home school) and must utilize the total award within four years of their graduation date, excluding active military duty or religious mission.

The scholarship may be used to attend a school selected by the student provided it is state accredited, above the high school level, and within the continental limits of the United States, except in the case where the student may be from a possession of the United States, in which case the student can select a school in that possession or in the continental United States.

Disbursement from the scholarship fund will be made jointly to the student and the school at the beginning of each semester or quarter. Only one request will be honored per semester or quarter.

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Applicant should type or print all information.

Section A – High School Record					
Note: Please attach a copy of your official h	igh school transcript.				
Grade: Name of high s	chool:				
Grade point average:	In upper	% of class.	Number in class:		
On <b>one additional page (500 word</b> recognition received. And include a	-		high school and also list awards, honors and		
Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment A if more than one page is submitted.					
	Section B	- Scouting Rec	ord		
Note: This section will be reviewed closely by the sele					
	Years	Unit No.	Sponsor		
Cub Scout					
Scouts BSA					
Varsity Scout					
Venturing Crew					
Eagle Award Received:	Palms:				

# **Section B - Scouting Record (continued)**

On **two additional pages (1,000 words total)** (1) List leadership positions held in your Cub Scout Pack, Scouts BSA Troop, Varsity Scout Team, and/or Venturing Crew; (2) List other Scouting activities you may have participated in (Jamborees, Order of the Arrow Conferences, etc.).

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first two pages of Attachment B if more than two pages are submitted.

# **Section B1 – Eagle Scout Project**

On two additional pages (1,000 words total) succinctly describe your Eagle Scout Project.

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first two pages of Attachment B1 if more than two pages are submitted.

## **Section C – Community Participation Record**

On **one additional page (500 words)** list community organizations in which you have held membership **excluding high school and Scouting.** Additionally list other activities that you were involved with that directly or indirectly improved life in your community.

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment C if more than one page is submitted.

Section D – Religious Award			
Denomination: Name of Religious Institution:			
Name of BSA Religious Emblem (Award) Received:			
Month and Year Received:			
On <b>one additional page (500 words)</b> list religious youth organizations, clubs, groups that you have been involved in, to include honors awarded and offices held.			
Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment D if more than one page is submitted.			
Section E – Career Interests			
On <b>one additional page (500 words)</b> describe your career interests and/or goals. The selection committee realizes that in many cases, applicants will not have decided on career goals; however, complete this section to the best of your ability.			
Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment E if more than one page is submitted.			
One letter each from your religious institution, school, your community and Scouting must be included. Two additional letters of recommendation and testimony may also be included. Please keep in mind that the letters of recommendation are an important part of this application and will be carefully reviewed by the screening committee.  Note: The screening committee will only consider the four required letters and the two additional letters of recommendation of Attachment F if more than the six required letters of recommendation are submitted. Letters of recommendation will be limited to one page.			
Authorization			
CERTIFICATION BY EAGLE SCOUT			
I certify to the accuracy of the foregoing facts. If selected, I will be free to travel to The American Legion National Convention and participate as a member of the youth champion delegation, representing The American Legion and the Boy Scouts of America.			
SIGNATURE OF EAGLE SCOUT: DATE:			
PARENTAL CONSENT			
I hereby certify that the information on this application pertaining to my Scout's age and grade in school is correct. I am willing and desirous that my Scout become The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year. In consideration of the benefits derived from this honor, if selected, I hereby voluntarily waive any, and all, claims against The American Legion and the Boy Scouts of American			

\_ DATE: \_

totally and all representatives thereof.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: \_\_

## **Authorization (continued)**

#### **SCOUT UNIT LEADER**

The above named applicant is qualified in every respect to represent The American Legion and our recommendation.	the Boy Scouts of America and has
SIGNATURE OF SCOUT UNIT LEADER:	DATE:
AMERICAN LEGION SELECTION COMMITTEE APPROVAL	
DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT/SCOUT CHAIRMAN SIGNATURE:	DATE:
NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS REVIEWED BY DEPARTMENT SELECTION COMMITTEE:	

### **Selection Process**

### **DEPARTMENT**

- Nominations must be received by department headquarters no later than March 1.
- The application judged best in the department and a list of the members of the Department Selection Committee should be emailed to: americanism@legion.org, Subject: Eagle Scout of the Year Nomination.
- For additional information, applicants should contact their department headquarters.

#### **NATIONAL**

- Nominations must be received by national headquarters no later than April 1.
- The National Americanism Commission's Youth Activities Subcommittee will review all department nominations, and, in their judgment, select The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINALIST

The selection will be announced in the Americanism Commission report to the National Executive Committee during The American Legion's annual Spring Meetings in Indianapolis, each May.



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