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Eagle Scout Candidate
Letters of Recommendation

Instructions to Eagle Candidate: Requirement #2 of the Eagle Scout Rank Application asks for four written Letters of Recommendation from individuals you know personally and would be willing to provide a letter of recommendation on your behalf. Four references are required. Ideally these references are teachers, coaches, employers or others who know you well. Unit Leaders and Committee Chairs ***are not*** eligible as their signature on the Eagle application is their endorsement. Parents and relatives ***are discouraged*** from being references. The Letters of Recommendation are confidential and are not to be returned directly to you. You should provide your four references with a stamped envelope addressed to your Scoutmaster, Unit Committee, or designated leader; they will collect the Letters of Recommendation for you. He or she will hold your letters and include the unopened envelopes with your Eagle Book and submit them to your Eagle Board of Review.

Instructions for the writer of the Letter of Recommendation: The Letter of Recommendation should be based upon your personal interactions with the Eagle Scout Candidate and should take into consideration your observance of how the Eagle Scout Candidate exemplifies the points listed in the Scout Oath and Scout Law. If you need more space than is provided, you may attach additional pages to the document. Please use the self-addressed envelope and send your Letter of Recommendation to the designated recipient. The Letter of recommendation should not be given back to the Eagle Scout Candidate.

Instructions for the Unit Committee: The designated recipient for the Letters of Recommendation will collect and hold all of the Letters of Recommendation for the Eagle Scout Candidate. **Please do not open the Letters of Recommendation or share them outside of the Eagle Board of Review.**

Eagle Scout Candidate's Name: _____

Your relationship to the Candidate: _____ Length of time you have known the Candidate: _____

Using the four bullet points listed on the reverse side of this form, please provide your observations with regards to the Eagle Scout Candidate. Feel free to add any observations that you feel are relevant to the character of the Eagle Scout Candidate.

The **Scout Oath** and the **Scout Law** are the code of ethics by which a Scout strives to live in their daily life.

The Scout Oath

On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my Country and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

The Scout Law

A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind,
obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

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Possible content for Eagle Scout Candidate's Letter of Recommendation:

- Describe how well the Eagle Scout Candidate puts into practice the principles embodied in the Scout Oath and Scout Law in their everyday life.
- Provide information and examples pertaining to the Eagle Scout Candidate's ability and willingness to accept and "follow through" on responsibilities.
- Describe the Eagle Scout Candidate's character and provide examples of leadership.
- Give examples of how you personally have seen the Eagle Scout Candidate grow in maturity or character.

Thank you very much for taking the time to provide this Letter of Recommendation. Your insight pertaining to the Eagle Scout Candidate is very helpful to the Eagle Board of Review as it considers the Eagle Scout Candidate's preparation in becoming an Eagle Scout.

Dear Eagle Scout Board of Review,

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Attach additional pages as necessary.

Referrer's Name	Date
Signature	Phone # & Email