

# **NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award**

The NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA) is a prestigious recognition granted by the local council's NESA committee to Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated outstanding achievement at the local, state, or regional level. Unlike the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, which is a national award, the NOESA recognizes Eagle Scouts whose efforts have made a positive impact closer to home.

#### **1. NOESA Recipient**

Nominee's name as it should appe	ar on the certificate			
Name				
Address				
City				
Home phone	Business	Business phone		
E-mail address				
NOESA granted in recognition of				
2. Eagle Scout Record (must be	verified by the national office)			
Eagle Scout rank earned (month/d	ay/year)			
Location		Unit No		
3. Council Information				
The nominee is currently registered	d with, or primarily resides in, th	e boundaries of	f:	
Council name			Region	
City		State	Council No	
4. Council Approval				
This award nomination is hereby seventive board and council NESA		Scout Associati	on by the members of the counc	il
Scout executive	Counc	il president		
Council NESA committee chair				

#### 5. National Office Confirmation

Before a NOESA recipient may be notified, all applications must be submitted to the national office in order for NESA staff members to verify the recipient's Eagle Scout status and to ensure that the nomination does not exceed the council's current-year quota. Approval is based on the date the application is received at the national office, not the date the council approves the application. All NOESA nomination forms must be received by the national office in the calendar year in which the council has the quota available to award it. Unused quotas will be forfeited if the nomination is received after December 31.

The nominee will not be recognized as a NOESA recipient until the application has been filed with the national office and credentials returned to the council.



### Eligibility

All NOESA recipients must be Eagle Scouts in good standing with the Boy Scouts of America and must either be registered with or have their primary residence within the boundaries of the nominating council. No length of time is required to have passed since earning the rank. Examples of possible recipients include:

- Local heroes and celebrities at the peak of their notoriety whose achievements outside of Scouting have touched and inspired others;
- Philanthropists, public servants, educators, or business owners who have made a positive, long-term impact as cornerstones of the community;
- Individuals who have attained prominence at the state or regional level in their profession or avocation—an
  avocation being any activity including, but not limited to, athletics, hobbies, collecting, outdoor adventure, and
  record-setting activities.

Each recipient's actions and accomplishments should elevate the stature of Eagle Scouts in the public eye, and each recipient shall be held to the standards set forth in the Scout Oath, Scout Law, and national BSA standards for membership.

#### **Guidelines for Approving a Nomination**

Each council NESA committee may present one NOESA per year, with the option of awarding an additional NOESA for every 100 Eagle Scout awards in excess of 200 awards certified the previous year.

## The number of Eagle Scout ranks awarded in a year will be counted based on the date the application is certified by the national office, not by the board of review date.

A council that awards one to 199 Eagle Scouts in one calendar year may present one NOESA in the following calendar year. A council with 200 to 299 Eagle Scouts in a year may present two NOESAs in the following year, and continue to grant an additional NOESA for every 100 Eagle Scouts awarded beyond that amount. NOESAs may not be banked or borrowed from the next year's quota. In addition, DESA recipients may not receive a NOESA, although a NOESA recipient may be nominated for the DESA once he has achieved prominence at the national level and meets the 25-year time requirement since earning Eagle.

Nominees may earn the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award one time only.

#### **Reporting Recipients**

Upon completion of the nomination form, and approval by the local NESA committee, which is the only entity authorized to approve a NOESA, the council NESA committee will submit the completed application to the National Eagle Scout Association, located in the national office of the Boy Scouts of America. Upon verification of the contents of the nomination, the national office will return a laser-printed NOESA certificate to the Scout executive via pouch mail. Please allow two to four weeks for turnaround time. The recipient's name will be nationally recognized on the NESA website or in other NESA publications.

Councils may purchase a special knot device from the national office, which will then be presented by the council at an appropriate event. This item is restricted for NOESA recipients only.

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#### Presentation

Whether the NOESA is presented for local, state, or regional recognition, the award presentation should be conducted with the highest level of honor. Often, these men have devoted a lifetime to their profession, avocation, community, and beliefs, at great sacrifice to themselves and their families, and each recipient should receive recognition worthy of a lifetime's accomplishments.