HONOR TROOP 2019-2020
the highest award a troop can earn in our council

Use this checklist to plan and keep your troop on track to achieve Honor Troop status!

- Troops should review at beginning of the year and set a goal to achieve HONOR TROOP status.
- Volunteers and girls must work together to achieve these requirements!
- Troops fill out the Honor Troop application ONLINE (this is a checklist for discussion only)
- Troops must submit online for the Membership Year 2019-2020 between June 1 and July 31.
- Each request will automatically be sent to the Service Unit Manager for approval.
- Each troop that achieves HONOR TROOP will receive patches or rocker bars.
  - Each girl receives an honor troop patch the first time her troop achieves Honor Troop
  - Girls receive year bars only for all subsequent years her troop achieves Honor Troop
  - All patches will be distributed by Membership Specialists at the September Service Unit meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

The troop had a minimum of six registered girls and four registered adults in volunteer roles.

All returning members were registered by September 30.

The troop has a minimum of 12 spaces for girls.

Add someone new: Troop is full with at least 12 girls or added a new girl after October 31.

All girls in the troop that participated in the cookie program were registered by December 15.

The troop participated and qualified for a Troop SHOP COUPON in the Spring renewal (Early Bird) process from April 1 – June 30, 2020 including the troop catalog update. (Exception for troops where ALL girls are 12th grade)

ADULT LEADERSHIP

All Troop volunteers are registered, have completed a background screening and training for their role. (Friends and Family volunteers excluded)

Troop leaders have signed appointment letters for their position with the Service Unit Manager.

Troop Leaders have completed the required Girl Scout Learning path assigned which includes the in person training for the current program level and either Basic Leadership in person or the GS Learning path modules and quizzes within 3 months of the troop formation (initial registration).

A registered adult member of the troop attended all Service Unit meetings and was present for the entire meeting.

There are at least 4 families registered and volunteering in the troop committee

Troop leaders have completed a year plan or created the “Custom Year Plan” in Volunteer Tool kit and have educated parents how they can view finances for the troop and missed meeting plans in volunteer tool kit.

FINANCE

The troop submitted their bank statements and receipts to the SU Money Manager on time and has not had any debt at any time (over draft fees, debt to Council, debt to SU, etc.)

The girls in the troop with adult assistance created a budget based on the girls plans for the troop including field trips, outdoor programs, badge and journey earning, membership registration fees, cookie and fall proceeds

Submit online at:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/honor-troop
Between June 1st and July 31st
FOUNDATIONAL GIRL EXPERIENCE

Keep track of what the troop does!

*The online form will require more information about where you went or what you earned.*

Troop meets minimum of twice a month

Troop held 2 parent meetings this year to ensure parents were part of the Troop Committee and to celebrate the girl’s accomplishments (Court of Awards).

Earn at least 4 badges or two badges and a Journey – Trying something new!

Girls set and worked towards goals in the Cookie Program to build troop funds for spring and summer

Girls set and worked towards goals in the Fall Product Program to build troop funds for fall and winter.

Troop participated in at least 1 outdoor activity such as:
- Hiking, backyard campouts, or cooking over a fire
- Completing an outdoor badge
- Day trip to a council camp
- Troop camping in tents, hammocks, wagons, or treehouses
- White water rafting, canoeing, kayaking, or surfing
- Primitive camping, backpacking, or caving

Do at least 2 Service Projects or 1 take action project, such as:
- Collecting mittens and hats for a winter clothing drive
- Planting a garden at their local library
- Teaching younger girls about healthy food and exercise

Girls planned and took part in 3 girls scout traditions, such as:
- Juliette Gordon Low’s Birthday
- World Thinking Day
- Investiture Ceremony
- Court of Awards
- Girl Scout Sunday/Sabbath
- SWAPS

Field Trips: The girls decided and planned 3 field trips trying something new, such as:
- Horseback riding
- Girl Scout Day at the Air and Space Museum
- Visiting the local fire station or animal shelter

Girls learned or taught other Girl Scouts new games or new Girl Scout songs

Troop participated in a Service Unit event

HIGHLIGHT OF THE YEAR

You’ll need to provide a brief summary. Keep some ideas here!

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