

To All District Chairmen, District Professionals, District Commissioners

Honor Spirit Award Guidelines 2017

Last year we introduced a new award for our council scouts, the “Honor Spirit Award”. We will continue to present this award and we have provided you with guidelines to make that selection. This will be an award similar to the “Silver Beaver” awarded to Adults, it will be an award for outstanding service both in and out of Scouting. There will be ONE award given to a scout from EACH District and ONE from Venturing.

It will be up to each District to either form a committee to make this selection or utilize your District Committee as it stands.

Nomination forms must be delivered to the District Chairman no later than Dec 30, 2016 no exception

The District Committee must make a final decision no later than Feb 28 2017 and provide the District Professional with the Scouts name and all paperwork received.

The District Professional will inform Lucy Safonov, Fellowship Dinner Chair , of the Scout to receive the award. A short bio and pictures will be required for the Dinner Journal.



Guidelines for Honor Spirit Selection:

- 1) Only ONE Scout per District and one Council Scout will be selected. Nominations can be made by all registered Scouters, COR's, Religious leaders, Teachers, etc.
- 2) District nominees will be selected from Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting. Council nominees will be selected from Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Exploring.
- 3) Each nominee must have a current registration... Have demonstrated outstanding service to Scouting, community, Religious Institution, and family.
- 4) Those individuals making nominations are expected to make selections based on their familiarity with the Scout and his achievements.
- 5) Nominee forms will be distributed beginning in Sept 2016 at RTs and expected back to each District Committee Chair no later than **Dec 30, 2016** so they may make selection. Again, it is recommended that each District have their Committee Chair receive the nominations.
- 6) Final Selection will be made by the District Committee.
- 7) Council nominees should go to Lauren Vlachos.
- 8) Upon being selected, the Scout and his 2 parents/ guardians, will be honored at the 2017 Fellowship Dinner on our expense. Others are asked to attend to celebrate and honor the Scout, at their cost.



Boy Scouts of America Suffolk County Council Nomination for the Honor Spirit Award

Scout Name: _____

Address: _____

Parents/ Guardian name: _____

Scout Rank, Unit and position: _____

Nomination proposed by: _____ Date: __ / __ / __

Please provide an explanation to the following on separate ATTACHED paper.

- 1) Does the nominee live by scout oath and law?
- 2) **Is the Scout working on or received their religious knot?**
- 3) What has the Scout done in his unit, community, religious affiliation, family, that makes him a candidate for this award.
- 4) Provide at least two references, with an explanation, as to why the Scout is deserving this award.

Once nomination forms and attached papers are complete, please submit to your District Committee Chair, no later than DEC 30, 2016. NO EXCEPTION

Your District Committee will make final selection. Only ONE scout per District each year will be selected for this award.

Upon being selected to receive this award, the Scout and his 2 parents/guardians will be asked to attend the Council Fellowship Dinner March 23, 2017 at our cost. Others are encouraged to attend at their expense.

