

Change in Advancement Report Protocol

Greater Yosemite Council is implementing new procedures to help units provide on-time awards and rank advancements to their youth. It is imperative that the council receives accurate and timely information to assist every Cub Scout achieve Arrow of Light, and every Boy Scout on his road to Eagle.

Units are encouraged to record advancements using the Internet Advancement available at <https://scoutnet.scouting.org/iadv/UI/home/default.aspx>. This method allows the unit's Advancement Chairperson to enter the information. You can ensure that your unit's information is correct and that all youth are properly registered. Be sure to print a copy of the Advancement Report and obtain the required signatures to obtain awards and advancements from the Scout Shop.

Units may continue to submit manually completed Advancement Reports for a period of time. Beginning March 1, 2008 Advancement Reports will be reviewed by a member of the council staff before the Scout Shop can issue awards and rank advancements. We want to assure that Advancement Reports are complete and accurate so that boys receive their recognitions promptly. If you plan on picking up awards and advancements at the Modesto Scout Shop, when the Council Service Center is closed (Thursday night and Saturday), be sure to fax us a copy of your Advancement Report so that it can be pre-approved.

The council staff will examine the report to be sure that:

- Unit type, number and district are provided
- One registered unit committee signature is provided for awards
- Two additional unit committee signatures are provided for rank advancements
- All youth are registered with the reporting unit
- Date Award Earned (date award earned or Board of Review date for rank advancements) is completed
- Badge of Rank, Merit Badge or Award is listed