Blue Star Award Guidelines

For: Counselors

Awarded at the council level or in independent clubs



General Requirements:

- Counselors should not be encouraged to work for the Blue Star Award, but rather this award should have an incentive aim: that the recipient will be motivated to a fuller and more enthusiastic service and will become an example to other counselors.
- A nominee for this award must have been an active and certified Cadet counselor for a minimum of two Cadet seasons.
- 3. Nominees for this award must display a positive attitude toward all levels of cadeting: club, council (except for counselors in independent clubs) and Corps.
- 4. Except in the case of independent clubs, this award is to be given for accomplishments at the council level. Nevertheless, the nominee's achievements in his own club should be taken into account.
- 5. In order for a counselor to qualify for this award, an outstanding effort is required in two or more of the areas listed in the guidelines or a superior accomplishment in a significant area not listed.

☆ for Independent Clubs:

- Meets all the general requirements established for the Blue Star Award.
- 2. Displays concern and enthusiasm for the welfare of his club and takes an active part in all club activities and programs.
- 3. Outstanding achievements in two or more of the following areas ...
 - a. Contributed significantly in improving his club and/ or promoting cadeting in his congregation, being an enthusiastic example as a Cadet counselor.
 - b. Not a head counselor, who has planned and conducted a minimum of three club activities such as a campout, father & son banquet, Pinewood derby race, etc.
 - c. Conducting promotional efforts for the cause of starting new Cadet clubs.
 - d. Starting new Cadet clubs or assisting clubs which have problems.
 - e. Head counselor for a minimum of five years.
 - A counselor who has served six or more years shall be considered.

- Nominations should be kept confidential from the recipient until time of presentation, and thereby accordingly presented to the head counselor or another counselor and considered by the majority of the counselors for approval.
- 5. A copy of the independent Blue Star Award nominee's achievements shall be submitted to the Corps office for review at the time the Blue Star Award materials are ordered, and can be subject to challenge.
- It is recommended that the Blue Star Award be presented at a public gathering, such as a Cadet Sunday or a special club event in which members of the congregation are present.

☆ for Council Clubs:

- Meets all the general requirements for the Blue Star Award.
- 2. Displays concern and enthusiasm for the welfare of his local council and takes an active part in all council activities and programs.
- Outstanding achievements in two or more of the following areas ...
 - a. Council board member.
 - b. Planning and conducting a council activity such as Snow Derby, retreat, banquet, Cadet-O-Rama, etc.
 - c. Planning and coordinating (or conducting) counselor workshops.
 - d. Starting new Cadet clubs or assisting clubs which have significant problems.
 - e. Serving as a head counselor of his club.
 - f. A counselor who has served six or more years shall be considered for the Blue Star Award.
- 4. Nominations are to be made to the council president or congressman. We recommend that each council set up a Blue Star Committee consisting of Blue Star holders to make yearly nominations to the council board.
- 5. Awards are to be made by the council board at an official council event of the Cadet season. We recommend that the Blue Star Awards be presented at a significant council activity including wives, if possible.