

GRAND CANYON COUNCIL NEW EAGLE APPLICATION PROCESS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Q. What is changing?

A. The project review process is not changing. Use the existing district process for project reviews.

The final packet and application review process and reference letter process are changing. The Scout will now upload all documents to a web portal located on our Eagle Scout page when they are ready for their packet and application to be reviewed. Eagle references will be given a form by the Scout with instructions on the form for where to submit the reference letter. Please see our Eagle Scout page for more information. Make sure to read the Read Me file and watch the video there:

<https://www.grandcanyonbsa.org/eagle-scout-process/>

Q. Why are we changing?

A. To become more in-line with BSA policies as outlined in Chapter 9 of the [Guide to Advancement](#) and to eliminate single points of failure.

Q. When will the new process go into effect?

A. Scouts can choose to use the new or old process for final review and approval and references or use the new process starting today. Starting January 1, 2022 we would like all Scouts to utilize the new process.

Q. Reference letters...how will the Scout know if and when an individual has submitted the letter? Will the Scout receive an email notification? Who all will be included on that email if one is sent?

A. Once the Scout has handed the reference letter form to the reference, the Scout is out of the process. The district Eagle Board will follow up on any missing references. This is in compliance to BSA policy as written in chapter 9 of the [Guide to Advancement](#).

Q. What should the Scout do if the individual that has been requested to submit a reference letter does not have a computer, scanner, or internet? Can they still get the paper reference letter and then submit that?

A. In such a case, the Scout should contact their District Advancement Chairman or the district individual who approved their project and request and name and address that the reference can send the paper reference to.

Q. On the Eagle Packet: Who is going to sort through and re-assemble the packet when it comes in one page at a time? Not everyone has a multi doc feeder, some might have a camera on their phone to take a picture of each page, some might not even have that as an option for them.

A. We are asking the Scouts to fill in the workbook using Adobe Acrobat Reader and not by longhand. They can then upload the entire workbook after completion in one file. We are providing separate signature pages that can also be uploaded. Scouts who are filling in the workbook in longhand will have to scan and upload the file(s). The council and district will be reviewing the document. The binders are not going away. You will see in the instructions, and in the videos that we are asking the Scouts to make

a hard copy of all their work and place it in the standard 1" binder. We are also asking the Scout to bring their binder to the Eagle Board of review.

Q. If the Scout has uploaded everything, why do they need to bring a binder to the Eagle Board of Review?

A. Often it is easier for the Scout to explain their project and the board to review their project from the binder. The binder also is kept by the Scout after the Board of Review for their reference and remembrance of this important step in their lives.

Please reach out to your District Advancement Chairman if you have any questions.