

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE SPECIAL FEATURE

Boy Scout Advancement Procedures (15 min.)

- Learning Objectives** By the end of this session, the Scouter should be able to:
- State the purpose of advancement and its importance to the Scout's development
 - State the five steps of the advancement process and how each is accomplished
 - Explain the administration of an effective troop advancement program
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- Materials Needed**
- *The Official Boy Scout Handbook*, No. 3227
 - *The Official Scoutmaster Handbook*, No. 6501
 - *Troop Committee Guidebook*, No. 6505B
 - Troop Advancement Chart, No. 6506
 - Individual Scout Advancement Record, No. 6518
 - *Boy Scout Requirements*, No. 3216
 - Selected merit badge pamphlets
 - Unit of Training: The Scoutmaster Conference, No. 6560B
 - *Boy Scouting Unit Record Book*, No. 6510
 - The Advancement Report, No. 4403
 - Flip chart, felt pens, masking tape
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Introductions The instructor introduces himself and any faculty members assisting in the presentation.

Purpose of Advancement Explain that the principal purpose of advancement is personal growth and development of the Scout and his self-confidence. This is accomplished using Scouting's five-step advancement process.

- Five-Step Advancement Process** Explain and discuss:
1. Learning by doing (the Scout learns)
 2. Demonstrating skills and knowledge (the Scout is tested)
 3. Reviewing Scout progress (the Scout is reviewed by the troop committee)
 4. Reinforcing accomplishments and motivating further advancement (the Scoutmaster conference)
 5. Recognizing and rewarding (the Scout is recognized)
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Advancement

Explain and discuss

- Kinds of recognition include merit badges and advancement in rank
 - Importance of advancement recordkeeping: the troop's, the Scout's
 - Advancement procedures for handicapped Scouts
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Adjourn

Thank the group for its participation. Adjourn for the next session.
