Journey to Excellence Performance Recognition Program Frequently Asked Questions for Districts

- 1. How do we enter the JTE service hour website? Go to www.scouting.org/jte. The service project link can be found on these pages.
- 2. Is there a Learning for Life component to this program? There is a separate scorecard for Exploring districts.
- 3. Where can I download all of the JTE forms? At the JTE website. Go to www.scouting.org/jte.
- 4. What constitutes a service project? Any service performed by a unit or members of a unit that helps someone else.
- 5. Should the silver award be higher than gold to match other hierarchy in the Boy Scout program? This was discussed by the task force, which decided that Journey to Excellence would be better understood by the majority of volunteers—especially new volunteers—if the program followed the bronze, silver, gold sequence.
- 6. How do we report fundraising and unit status to JTE? These are reported through District JTE Reporting on My.Scouting Tools.
- 7. Why is roundtable attendance not part of the requirement standards? Roundtable attendance has not been tracked, so data do not exist as to whether that activity relates to superior performance. Perhaps in the future, that data will exist and that requirement can be added.
- 8. Exploring is under Learning for Life and does not interface with district operations, yet it is counted in membership for success. Why? Exploring is similar to traditional units, and is an important component of learning for the teenage group. It is important to grow Exploring, as well as traditional Scouting.
- 9. Who will keep the data and statistics for the advancement criteria? Will the online advancement program support this sort of measurement? Advancement numbers are displayed on the dashboard for councils and districts.
- 10. Where on scouting.org is the information? The search engine does not find it anywhere. Go to www.scouting.org/jte.
- 11. What is the training required for each district committee position? Every district committee member has to have Youth Protection training prior to submitting their application. For more information regarding Youth Protection policies, log on to http://scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx.
- 12. If a Cub Scout, Boy Scout, or Varsity Scout advances more than one rank in a year, does the district receive credit for more than one advancement? No. The standard is for individual youth earning at least one advancement during the year, not for the total number of advancements during the year.



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- 13. Can I achieve the silver or gold level without achieving the bronze level in any individual requirement? No. You must achieve the bronze level before you can qualify for the silver or gold levels. You must achieve the bronze and silver levels before you can qualify for the gold level.
- 14. In the retention requirement, can we count our drop outs? If the drop outs are reregistered before the end of the year, then they will count.

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