

11.5.0.0 Individual Scout Advancement Plan

The approval of alternative requirements or merit badges should be discussed with the Scout, parent or guardian, and unit leader. An agreement is reached and forwarded to the council advancement committee for approval before starting to work on the specific task. The ISAP is the basic plan that can be used for all Scouts to document proposed and approved alternative advancement requirements. The ISAP is modified by addendum. Additional information can be found in the *Guide to Advancement*, section 10.

Individual Scout Advancement Plan for:

Member's name _____ Date of birth _____

Unit No. _____ District _____ Council _____

Statement of belief: Though it is true every Scout must have the overall ability to fulfill BSA advancement requirements as written, members with a documented disability deserve the opportunity to utilize their remaining abilities to fulfill alternative requirements that represent the same challenge and essential outcome as those written. The only limitations for members with sufficient abilities to achieve approved alternative requirements should be their individual desire, focus, and perseverance.

Objective: Scouting literature provides the requirements, policies and procedures, and related supporting content. It cannot address each individual Scout's abilities, but it can help those involved to reach an understanding as to how certain goals can be met. The ISAP is a road map that Scouts, their parents or guardians, mentors, and other leaders can reference and update as necessary.

Methodology: Within reasonable guidelines, the ISAP will provide Scouts with the opportunity to achieve their personal goals and, through creative thinking and action, remove unnecessary barriers that may impede their advancement. This is done so as not to lessen the relative challenges of the Scouting experience and the primary goal of personal growth.

Expectations of performance: Scouts are expected to do their best to the limits of their abilities and resources.

I, _____ (Scout's name), promise that on my honor, I will do my best in working toward my personal advancement goals.

I am a (check one): Cub Scout Scout Venturer Sea Scout

Signed _____ Date _____

I, _____ (leader's name), _____ (title), promise to do my best to deliver upon the statement of belief, objective, and methodology expressed above.

Signed _____ Date _____



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