

Eagle Scout Challenge

The foremost responsibility of an Eagle Scout is to live with **honor.** To an Eagle Scout, honor is the foundation of all character. He knows that "A Scout is trustworthy" is the very first point of the Scout Law for a good reason. An Eagle Scout lives honorably, not only because honor is important to him but because of the vital significance of the example he sets for other Scouts. Living honorably reflects credit on his home, his place of worship, his troop, and his community. May the **white** of the Eagle badge remind you to always live with honor.

The second obligation of an Eagle Scout is **loyalty.** A Scout is true to his family, Scout leaders, friends, school, community, and nation. His loyalty to his troop and brother Scouts makes him pitch in and carry his share of the load. All of these help to build the loyalty that means devotion to community, to country, to one's own ideals, and to God. Let the **blue** of the Eagle badge always inspire your loyalty.

The third obligation of an Eagle Scout is to be **courageous.** Courage has always been a quality by which people measure themselves and others. To a Scout, bravery means not only the courage to face danger, but also the determination to stand up for what is right. Trusting in God, with faith in his fellow citizens, he looks forward to each day, seeking his share of the world's work to do. Let the **red** of the Eagle badge remind you always of courage.

The fourth obligation of an Eagle Scout is to be **cheerful.** To remind the Eagle Scout to always wear a smile, the **red**, **white**, and **blue** ribbon is attached to the scroll of the Second Class Scout rank, which has its ends turned up in a **smile**.

Another critical responsibility of an Eagle Scout is **service.** The Eagle Scout extends a helping hand to those who still toil up Scouting's trail, just as others helped him in his climb. The performance of the daily Good Turn takes on a new meaning when he enters an adult life of continuing service to others. The Eagle stands as protector of the weak and helpless. He aids and comforts the unfortunate and the oppressed. He upholds the rights of others while defending his own. He will always "Be Prepared" to put forth his best.

You deserve much credit for having achieved Scouting's highest rank. But wear your award with humility, ever mindful that the Eagle Scout is looked up to as an example. May the Scout Oath and the Scout Law be your guides for tomorrow and into the future.

