

Online Advancement

Online advancement entry is here! The *Southeast Louisiana Council* is excited to announce that units can now use the Internet Advancement Tool to record the advancements for their youth members from any online location—at home or at the office. You will find the tool easy, convenient, and accurate because you enter the information.

Here's how it works:

- This web page includes instructions and a link to the Internet Advancement Tool. The Internet Advancement Tool makes it easy for unit leadership to record awards, ranks, and merit badges earned by their youth members via an online process. This system is separate from Internet Rechartering, but uses a similar concept.
- At any time during the year, the unit advancement processor will be able to record advancements to youth member records. And, they'll also be able to print a unit roster at any time. The roster is the most current information from Scout NET, and it will include the person ID for each adult and youth member.

These are other reports available from Internet Advancement.

- **Unit Advancement Summary** shows ranks, merit badges, and awards saved in each person's record for current members of the unit.
- **Advancement Report** lists each youth member that has new ranks, merit badges, and awards. This is the official unit Advancement Report to be signed and submitted to the office.
- **Unit Awards Summary** lists the number of new ranks, merit badges, and awards by name as a shopping list.
- **Advancement Update Summary** lists any ranks, merit badges, and awards that were already in the member record and were updated online.

Your unit ID is the same as what has been assigned for Good Turn for America. Contact Peaches Davis at the Council Service Center to obtain the ID for your unit.

Each unit should assign an adult to record advancements. Ranks must be recorded based on program identification and in the correct rank and date sequence. Only the Eagle Scout rank cannot be awarded by this process. Awards to be entered will not include nominated awards, such as those for meritorious action, and awards that are controlled by other organizations, even if approved for uniform wear.

As BSA policies for rank entry are enforced, what units enter will meet these requirements. There's a link to the Internet Advancement help below. There's also a Frequently Asked Questions link on the Internet Advancement site and these should be reviewed.

If you have any questions or comments, contact the Southeast Louisiana Council office and we'll be glad to help you out.

Get started now:

- [Internet Advancement Help](#)
- [Internet Advancement Site](#)