

ADVENTIST YOUTH HONORS

General Conference Honor Development Guidelines for AY Groups



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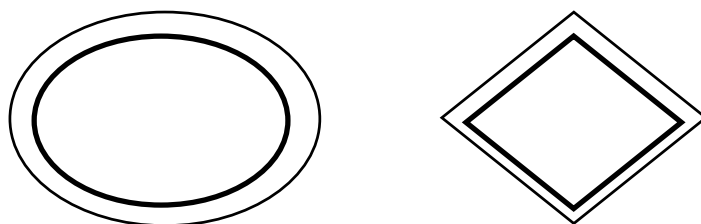
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Check List for Evaluating Honors

1. All requirements uphold the basic standards and philosophy of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
2. Requirements include a balance of theory and “hands-on” experience.
3. If possible, requirements have been developed in the areas of Basic and Advanced. Having the Basic Honor should be a pre-requisite for earning the Advanced Honor in a given subject.
4. Requirements are useable by a group or a single individual.
5. Requirements can be fully completed in less than three months.
6. Requirements clearly state, in simple terminology, exactly what is to be accomplished. Avoid ambiguous words or phrases such as: explain briefly, submit, explain orally, or demonstrate ability.
7. Activity requirements of extended time are designed as to avoid conflicts with school or work schedules, for example: a four day campout should be able to be completed as two separate weekend campouts.
8. Requirements avoid destruction of animal or plant life; ask for photos or drawings rather than collections.
9. Requirements avoid involvement in armed or unarmed defenses.
10. Requirements can be accomplished without unnecessary risk to the safety of participants or observers.

The Process of Submitting Your New Honor for Approval

1. The Conference Director of Pathfinder Ministries will submit the Honor proposal by January 1, to the NAD Director of Pathfinder Ministries.
2. The new Honor proposal will be considered by the NAD Pathfinder Honor Committee.
3. The NAD Director of Pathfinder Ministries will write the Conference Director of Pathfinder Ministries with information on the recommendations made by the NAD Pathfinder Committee on the Honor proposal submitted.
4. Honor proposals need to be type written and double spaced. Please submit hardcopy and electronic versions of the requirements and an answer key for all requirements along with your proposed patch design.



5. The shapes here denote patch styles. The oval is the traditional NAD and GC design. The diamond has been designated for use as a Union, Conference, or club design not yet approved by NAD or GC.
6. New honor proposals should be submitted after there has been a successful pilot test in at least three (3) local Pathfinder Clubs located within the conference submitting the honor. A written statement by the Conference Director of Pathfinder Ministries to the NAD Director of Pathfinder Ministries stating that the proposed Honor has had the necessary pilot test is required.

**North American Division
of the Seventh-day Adventist Church
Honor Submission Form**

Date Submitted: _____

Submitted By: _____

Club Name: _____

Conference: _____

Pilot Testing

Club Name	Director	No. of Participants
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I, _____, Pathfinder Director of the _____ Conference

recommended this Honor to the NAD Pathfinder Honors Committee on _____
DATE

Signature