

Policy on Awards

Statement of Purpose:

This policy defines the awards that are available to Scouts outside of the core Cub Scout curriculum.

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Pack-Wide Award Programs. These award programs are handled on a Pack level and are managed by the Cubmaster with help from Den Leaders and other Scouters.

- a) Journey to Excellence Award.** BSA's performance recognition program designed to encourage and reward success and measure the performance of Packs, Districts and Councils. Pack 3807's annual goal is to earn the Gold Award. All Cub Scouts from an award-winning pack receive a patch for their uniform, which shall be awarded at the beginning of the Scouting year. The patch must be removed at the beginning of the following Scouting year, and shall be replaced with the next year's patch, if earned.
- b) Service Stars.** Service Stars are given to each Cub Scout and Scouter annually based on their tenure. The number of years in Cub Scouting is printed on the star. The Cub Scout their first Service Star once they have completed their first year of Cub Scouting, at the beginning of the following Scouting year. The Cub Scout will receive a new Service Star once they have completed each additional year, at which time they must turn in the previous year's Service Star to the Cubmaster.
- c) SCOUTStrong Healthy Unit Award.** Committing to three healthy practices at Den and Pack meetings – fruit & veggie snacks, water, physical activity – earn a patch which may be hung from the button on their right pocket. As with most patches hung on the right pocket, the SCOUTStrong patch is temporary and should be removed after a maximum of three Scouting months but may be placed back onto the uniform each Scouting year if earned again.

Individual Award Programs. These award programs are optional, and a Cub Scout or Scouter may choose to pursue one or more individually.

- a) Cub Scout Nova Awards.** Cub Scout Nova Awards are awards for completing STEM adventures and may be earned by Wolves, Bears, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Cub Scouts. For their first Nova award, Scouts earn the distinctive Nova award patch which may be hung from their right pocket. After that, a Scout can earn additional Nova awards, each one recognized with a separate pi (π) pin-on device that attaches to the patch. The patch and the devices represent each of the four STEM topics—science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- b) Recruiter Badge.** Cub Scouts who recruit a new Cub Scout to the pack, whether through individual effort or by participating in recruitment events shall received the coveted Recruiter Badge, which may be worn permanently.

c) Perfect Attendance Pin. See Article 9, Section D of the Bylaws.

Patches and Brag Vest. Cub Scouts earn patches for every event and adventure they go on outside of regular meetings. These patches are not to be worn on the official uniform but may be temporarily hung on the right pocket of the field uniform shirt, or sewn or ironed onto a red Brag Vest. See Policy on Uniforms for Brag Vest rules.

This policy was adopted on _____ date.