

ARCHBISHOP'S AND CHAPLAIN'S CATHOLIC QUALITY UNIT AWARDS

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

The purpose of this Unit Award is to give recognition to Catholic-chartered Packs, Troops, and Crews which exemplify Youth Ministry through Catholic Scouting ideals. These awards are presented by the Archbishop or Bishop at the Scout Sunday Service held annually at the Cathedral Basilica.



ARCHBISHOP'S QUALITY UNIT AWARDS

Archbishop's Outstanding Unit
Archbishop's Honor Unit
Archbishop's Merit Unit

Boy Scout Troops

One award in each category

Venturing Crews

One award in each category

Each *Outstanding Unit* receives a ribbon bearing the Archbishop's Coat of Arms for the Unit's standard as well as neckerchiefs and patches for each member.

Each *Honor Unit* and *Merit Unit* receives a ribbon bearing the Archbishop's Coat of Arms for the Unit's standard as well as patches for each of its members.

PARTICIPATION LEVELS

All Units who qualify for the Quality Unit Award but are not in the top three in their respective category will receive a Unit ribbon in one of the following levels:

Participation **Silver** **Gold**

These levels are awarded based on a point system. Because so many Units are close to the top three, we came up with this system in order to still recognize all of the great work that you do and to show that you are still a Quality Unit.

CHAPLAIN'S QUALITY UNIT AWARDS

Chaplain's Outstanding Unit
Chaplain's Honor Unit
Chaplain's Merit Unit

Cub Scout Packs

One award in each category

The *Outstanding Unit* receives a Gold ribbon for the Pack's standard as well as patches for each of its members.

The *Honor Unit* receives a Royal Blue ribbon for the Pack's standard as well as patches for each of its members.

The *Merit Unit* receives a White ribbon for the Pack's standard as well as patches for each of its members.

Unit Recognition Application and Requirements

Include information from December 1st to November 30th of each year.

If your unit has not participated or completed a section of the application, you are still eligible.

** Service, Spiritual Growth, Religious Activities, and Vocational Awareness are weighted higher than the other sections.*

Applications are due by December 1st. Out of respect for the many volunteers who review the applications and because of the Christmas holidays, we ask that you please submit your application by the due date. Thank you for your understanding and attention. **We know that your time, as a leader, is very valuable, so we have streamlined the application for you and have also included the National Catholic Committee on Scouting's Quality Unit Award application so that you can easily complete that application as well!** We welcome your input on the application process and how we can better serve you and your Units in the Archdiocese of St. Louis!

Unit Information

Pack #_____ Troop #_____ Crew#_____

Catholic-Chartering Organization _____

Parish _____

**✓Principal Unit Leader
Name _____**

Email _____ Phone _____

**✓Committee Chairman
Name _____**

Email _____ Phone _____

**✓Chartered Organization Representative
Name _____**

Email _____ Phone _____

**✓Unit Religious Emblems Coordinator
Name _____**

Email _____ Phone _____

**✓Unit Religious Emblems Counselor
Name _____**

Email _____ Phone _____

Required Approvals & Signatures

✓Unit Leader's Signature _____ Date _____

✓Committee Chairman's Signature _____ Date _____

✓Pastor's Signature _____ Date _____

Catholic Committee Unit Review

Signed _____ Date Unit Leader Contacted: _____

Chairman of Unit Award Committee ↑ *Members of Unit Award Committee* ↓

Signed _____ Signed _____

Signed _____ Signed _____

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ARCHBISHOP'S AND CHAPLAIN'S CATHOLIC QUALITY UNIT AWARD APPLICATION

1. Training/Education

Indicate Y/N on the line for each question.

- a. _____ The adults of your unit participate regularly in the training and education programs of the BSA Greater St. Louis Area Council, the Office of Youth Ministry, and the CCSBSA.
Adult Leader Training • Religious Emblems Counselor Training • Catholic Programs Workshop
- b. _____ The unit has and/or works with a trained Catholic Religious Emblems Counselor.
- c. _____ The unit has at least one active Religious Emblems Coordinator (REC) who coordinates religious programs in your unit and parish. The REC should attend the Catholic Programs Workshop annually to stay current with recognitions and programs.
- d. _____ The Chartered Organization Representative or a designate has read and discussed with the leadership or members of the unit committee, *Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry*, by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. *Books are available at no charge in the Office of Youth Ministry, or you can view the content online at the following web address: www.usccb.org/about/laity-marriage-family-life-and-youth/young-adults/renewing-the-vision.cfm.*
- e. _____ The principal unit leader (Cubmaster/Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor) has completed appropriate BSA leader training based on his or her position in the unit.

2. Leadership

Requirements MUST be fulfilled between December 1st and November 30th.

- a. _____ At least one leader has attended the Scouter Development: Lay Apostolate Formation for Scouting program for leaders and all Catholic adults, sponsored by the Office of Youth Ministry and the Catholic Committee on Scouting, BSA.
List Name(s):
_____ / _____ / _____

- b. _____ Your unit committee has reviewed adults in your unit for nomination for the Bronze Pelican and St. George Catholic adult awards.

3. * Service

Requirements MUST be fulfilled between December 1st and November 30th.

- a. _____ **Chartered-Organization Service Projects:** Within the last 12 months, at least one of the unit's service projects must have been conducted for its chartered organization. **This service is weighted higher than the community service below.*
List all projects (along with a brief description) in the following format:

	<u>Benefiting organization</u>	<u>Project name</u>	<u>Brief description</u>
<i>Example:</i>	<i>St. Gerard</i>	<i>Create memorial garden</i>	<i>Planted plants in a garden, bench, and St. Joseph statue</i>

- b. _____ **Community Service Projects:** Within the last 12 months, at least one of the unit's service projects must have been conducted for its local community. **Eagle Projects do not count!*
List all projects (along with a brief description) in the following format:

	<u>Benefiting organization</u>	<u>Project name</u>	<u>Brief description</u>
<i>Example:</i>	<i>Missouri Streams</i>	<i>Clean streams</i>	<i>Cleaned up trash in streams</i>

4. * Spiritual Growth *Requirements MUST be fulfilled between December 1st and November 30th.*

- a. _____ The unit had a presentation to its youth and adult members about Catholic religious emblems and award programs at least once in that past year.

- b. _____ At least 50% of the **eligible** Catholic Scouts that are currently registered with the unit have received or have been actively working on a religious emblem program (Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei, Ad Altare Dei, Pope Pius XII).
- c. _____ Your unit's Scouts and/or adults have received or have been actively working on the following programs: Pope John Paul II, International Awareness, Rosary, Footsteps of American Saints, or our other programs. **Please list program(s) and number of scouts and adults:**
5. * **Religious Activities** **Requirements MUST be fulfilled between December 1st and November 30th.**
- a. _____ Your unit has participated in one or more of the following: Retreat, Bible study, Eucharistic Adoration, XLT, Pro-Life activity, Steubenville, REAP retreat, Chastity education, Youth Mass, Cub Day Retreat, Encounter Weekend, Catholic Adventure Week, Day of Recollection, Spirit Fest, or a similar activity which was sponsored by your Parish, School, Scouting unit, Youth group, or the Catholic Youth Apostolate, Office of Youth Ministry, and the CCSBSA. **Please list program(s) and number of scouts and adults:**
6. * **Vocational Awareness**
- a. _____ **Troops and Crews only for (a) Indicate Y/N on the line for each question**
Your unit has a qualified Chaplain Aide who understands and performs his or her duties to the best of his or her abilities according to the "Handbook for Chaplains and Chaplain Aides in Boy Scout Troops and Venturing Crews," www.scouting.org/filestore/membership/pdf/522-036_web.pdf.
- b. _____ **Packs, Troops, and Crews for (b)**
Participated in a vocation-orientation program, retreat, Scout Sunday, tour of a Seminary, or promoted or participated in Priesthood Sunday at your parish.
List:
7. **Relationships** **Indicate Y/N on the line for each question**
- a. _____ One or more registered adults of your unit are active members of the Catholic Committee on Scouting and are in communication with the staff of the Office of Youth Ministry, aware of the programs that they offer.
List Name(s): _____
- b. _____ **Troops and Crews only-** One or more of your high school or college age scouts belong to the Catholic Committee Youth Staff and/or have staffed an event sponsored by the Office of Youth Ministry and the Catholic Committee on Scouting, BSA.
- c. _____ The unit's activities are reviewed annually by the Chartered Organization Representative or designate, the Chaplain, and the Committee Chairman to ensure Catholic activities are scheduled each year for the Scouts and adults.
- d. _____ Your unit understands and promotes "Scouting is Youth Ministry" and what the Charter Relationship means in a Catholic-chartered unit. Your unit continues to build and strengthen the relationship with the charter organization, to insure Catholic quality programs for youth and adults.
- e. _____ The unit has applied for the National Pope Paul VI Quality Unit Award. The Pope Paul VI Quality Unit Award is a **non-competitive** award and is presented by your local parish or unit. This award application is attached for your convenience.
- f. _____ Your unit is actively working toward the BSA Journey to Excellence recognition program.
**This program replaced the BSA Centennial Quality Unit Award.*
8. **Membership** **Use the numbers of youth according to your charter year.**
Registered youth at the beginning of the year: _____
Registered youth at the end of the year: _____
a. _____ The unit has a plan for growth and increased membership.
Briefly explain:

National Catholic Quality Unit Award POPE PAUL VI



Of prime importance to the National Catholic Committee on Scouting® is concern for top-quality Catholic-chartered Scouting units

This program exists to promote Catholic membership and to:

Promote and recognize effective youth and adult leadership in fostering teachings of the Catholic Church, and

Recognize outstanding and prestigious Catholic Scout Units and

Recognize Catholic chartering organizations, and

Provide each Catholic youth with a deeper understanding of their Catholic teachings in the area of religious, vocational & educational aspects through participation in the BSA program(s) by participation in units under Catholic-sponsored organizations, and

Recognize and respect those of different faith. Not all members need to be Catholic.

Presentation

An appropriate ceremony should be arranged, according to local (arch) diocesan and (arch) eparchy customs. Note: This award is available to both Roman Catholic and Eastern Catholic sponsored units.

MAJOR FEATURES

Eligibility is that unit be chartered by a Catholic sponsored organization, e.g. Parish, Knights of Columbus, Parish School, Knights of St. Peter Claver, etc.

BSA packs, troops, crews or ships chartered to Catholic parishes, schools or organizations may earn this award.

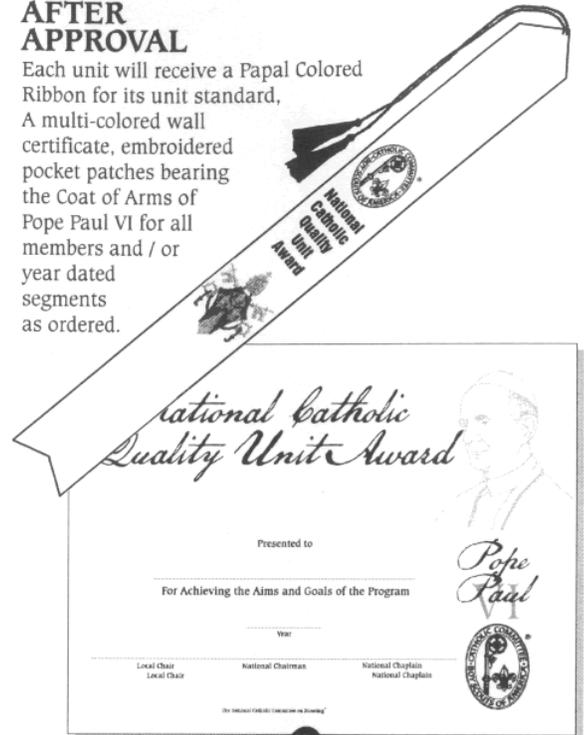
Requirement areas cover adult training and leadership, service by the unit, religious emblems, religious activities, vocation awareness, relationships and membership.

Units may earn this recognition on their own merit for a particular charter or calendar year and may re-earn it in succeeding years if the requirements are met yearly.

After meeting the requirements, sign the application below and submit it with the proper fee to your Diocesan Catholic Committee or Office of Youth Ministry. The Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting will review this application and consolidate orders from eligible units onto one order form.

AFTER APPROVAL

Each unit will receive a Papal Colored Ribbon for its unit standard, A multi-colored wall certificate, embroidered pocket patches bearing the Coat of Arms of Pope Paul VI for all members and / or year dated segments as ordered.



**Application / National Catholic Quality Unit Award
Pope Paul VI**

Ship _____
Crew _____
Troop _____ Location _____
Pack unit # _____ (city/state) _____ Diocese* _____
(circle one)

Chartered organization _____

Contact person _____ Position _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Complete all of the following requirements:

Training:

- All registered adults have participated in a training program offered by the BSA, including BSA Child Protection, and including same in areas so instructed by the local ordinary of its (arch)diocese or (arch)eparchy.
- Two-deep leadership with at least one unit leader having completed applicable BSA leader basic training.
- One or more registered adults has participated in a training program offered by local, diocesan, regional or national Catholic committee on Scouting.
- The unit committee annually reviews leadership for diocesan adult recognitions and St. George Emblem.

Service:

- The unit conducted a service project for its church, parish or diocesan community or chartered organization within the past 12 months. Briefly describe it:

Religious Emblems:

- Unit provides annual presentation about religious emblems available to its members.
- At least 25 percent of youth members have or are actively working on the religious emblem appropriate to their levels or ages.
- Reviews annually adults for adult recognition(s).

Religious Activities:

- Unit participated in a religious activity (e.g., retreat, pilgrimage, parish and/or diocesan scout Mass) within past 12 months. List the activity:

Vocation Awareness:

- Unit participated in an activity focused on church-related vocations (e.g., an orientation on vocations, training chaplain aides, visiting a seminary or house of religious formation, a career day or seminar that includes church-related vocations, or similar activity - see suggestions in the appropriate religious emblem program) within the past 12 months. List the activity:

Relationships:

- Chartered organization representative or unit committee member meets at least annually with a representative of local or diocesan Catholic committee on Scouting.
- Executive officer of chartered organization, unit committee chairman and council representative review unit program at least once a year.
- Unit has achieved or is actively working toward BSA Quality Unit Award.

Membership:

- Number of youth members at beginning of charter year ____ At end of charter year ____
- Unit has plan for growth in membership.
- Unit annually reviews meaning of its respective oath or promise.

____/____/____
Date

unit leader signature

Executive officer / COR signature