

2017 Platinum Journey to Excellence Unit Recognition Program

The Hoosier Trails Council, Boy Scouts of America is striving to provide quality, meaningful programs to the young people in our area, to aid them in achieving their full potential in life. It is understood that the true benefit of the Scouting movement comes directly from our Scouting units and if we are to improve the standard of our programs, units will make the difference.



In 2017, we will honor those units that go above and beyond the call of duty for the young people they serve. These special units will be designated as **Platinum Level Journey to Excellence Units** and will lead the way for the rest of the Council. This special recognition will not come easy, but will bring worthy praise and tools to continue to build and strengthen the unit.

Platinum Level Journey to Excellence Units will receive the following tokens for their heroic effort:

- Collector's edition Council Shoulder Patch for each registered member of the unit.
- A framed Certificate of Achievement for the unit's trophy case.
- HTC Summer Camp/Activity Discounts, \$5 per Cub Scout Registrant, \$10 per Boy Scout Camp Registrant.
- Free cloth rank advancement for your recharter year.
- Special recognition in the *Trails Sign's* on www.HoosierTrailsBSA.org and at the Annual Council Gala.
- Recognition item for the unit leader that will identify the accomplishment.

In order for a unit to achieve this high recognition, there are seven elements that must be fulfilled:

- Achieve **Gold Level Journey to Excellence** Status for 2017.
- Attain 75% Direct Contact Leaders having been recorded as **"Trained"**.
- Properly record **rank advancements** for youth within 2017.
- Provide a **summer camp/activity (Cub Scouts)** for Scouts and have an increase in youth participation over 2016.
- Achieve **membership growth** over December 2016, and **recharter on-time**.
- Achieve unit's **Friends of Scouting Goal**. (Goal is established by Unit-Serving Executive and the unit leadership.) Must have presentation before June of current year.
- Partner with the Council by participating in the **Council Popcorn Sale and average \$100/Scout in sales**.

In order for Scouting to have the greatest impact on a young person's life, we must retain Scouts in our programs as long as possible. **Platinum Level Journey to Excellence Units** will stand on the foundation of quality programming and strive to fulfill the promises of fun and adventure. Just as a Scout's honor is sacred, as is your commitment to provide the best programming possible, and we hope to recognize your unit as **Platinum Level Journey to Excellence Unit**.

For more information about this program visit us at www.HoosierTrailsBSA.org

Congratulations to the 2016 Platinum Journey to Excellence Units

Hoosier Hills-

Pack 613
Troop 693

Lenni Lenape-

Pack 526
Pack 536
Pack 528
Pack 555
Pack 577
Pack 585
Troop 510
Troop 526
Troop 552
Troop 557

Wapehani-

Pack 129
Pack 145
Troop 100
Troop 148

White River Trails-

Pack 470
Troop 332
Troop 343



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