

# Black Star Award Guidelines



**For: Cadets**  
**Awarded at the club level**

## General Requirements

1. Cadets should not be encouraged to work for the Black Star award, but rather this award should have an incentive aim: that the recipient will be motivated to a fuller and more enthusiastic participation in cadeting and will become an example to other Cadets.
2. Nominees for this award must have been an active Cadet for a minimum of one Cadet season.
3. Nominees for this award must have a good understanding of the Cadet program and the guidelines for jr. counselor.
4. Nominees should exhibit leadership potential.
5. In order for a Cadet to qualify for this award, an outstanding effort is required in one or more of the areas listed in the guidelines — or a superior accomplishment in a significant area not listed.

## Guidelines

1. Meets all the general requirements established for the Black Star award.
2. Displays enthusiasm for the Cadet program and activities and takes part in club and council events whenever possible.
3. Outstanding achievement in one or more of the following areas ...
  - a. ranks and merit badges attained.
  - b. knowledge and practice of Cadet landmarks.
  - c. cadre leadership.
  - d. planning, organizing, and/or conducting special activities.
  - e. overcoming handicaps (physical or other).
  - f. acts of heroism.
  - g. actively recruits boys into the Cadet program.
4. Nominations are to be made to the head counselor by his cadre counselor. Selections are to be made by a 2/3 decision of all the counselors and jr. counselors of the club. Awards are to be made by the club at an official club event of the Cadet season. We recommend that this even includes parents, if possible.

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