



Overall District Goal – JTE Gold for 2017

Activities - A district activities committee best helps units by planning a few multi-unit events each year that supplement but do not take the place of the unit program. The district activities committee plans events that include camporees, competitive events, civic service, and recognition. They support the troop with engaging activities for Scouts and Venturers.

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Advancement - Youth members who advance are active and engaged in the unit. Everything youth do to advance, from the day they join until they leave Scouting, should be designed to help them have an exciting and meaningful experience. In 2016, 69% of Cub Scouts and 49% of Boy Scouts earned rank advancements. For 2017, maintain or improve the % of Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts earning rank advancements.

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Camping - the outdoor programs are often the main reason youth join a Scout unit and provide the opportunity for boys to develop and grow as Scouts. Resident camping assists advancement for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. In 2016, 39% of Cub Scouts attended a day camp, family camp, or resident camp. 75% of Boy Scouts attended resident or high-adventure camp. For 2017, maintain or improve the percentage of Scouts attending camp.

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Finance – financially support the mission of Scouting within Northern Star Council by supporting units' Family Friends of Scouting campaign, leading the Community Friends of Scouting campaign, and through supporting the units' Popcorn Campaign. In 2016, we achieved 92% of the combined Finance fundraising goal and had 14 Scouters involved in the three campaigns. For 2017, maintain or improve on both metrics

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Membership – Support the growth of our units through recruitment campaigns, assisting units with their membership plan with tools and techniques, and ensure that Webelos transition to Boy Scouts. Identify and support new unit organization. For 2016, we recruited 3.7% of the Total Available Youth to Cub Scouting. For 2017, increase the number of new Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers recruited in the year.

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Nominating – the Nominating Committee is responsible for identifying and recruiting to serve on the District Committee. Nominating should be a year-round process to ensure that key roles are filled throughout the year.

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Order of the Arrow – the OA Chapter provides leadership opportunities for youth in the district through the local OA program, including elections, inductions, and chapter activities.

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Training – Every boy deserves a trained leader. Units with trained leaders provide a quality program, which keeps boys involved in the unit. In 2016, 64% direct contact leaders were trained for their position. For 2017, maintain or improve the number of direct contact leaders who have position-specific training

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