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## APPRECIATION PIN

Girl Scouts NE Kansas & NW Missouri  
Adult Recognition Nomination Form

The Appreciation Pin recognizes an adult volunteer or staff member who has delivered outstanding service to at least one service unit or program delivery audience. The Appreciation Pin is a square gold tone pin featuring the Girl Scout logo. It is worn on the right side of the uniform above the nametag.

### CRITERIA

Individuals who meet all the following criteria are eligible to be nominated for the Appreciation Pin.

- The candidate is currently a registered member of Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. (Membership can be verified by the Service Unit Registrar or Council Registrar.)
- The candidate has delivered service to a minimum of one service unit.
- The candidate has performed outstanding service, which goes beyond the expectations of the position.
- The candidate has performed service that has direct or indirect positive impact on the girls.
- The candidate has helped to achieve the goals of the Service Unit.

### NOMINATION PROCEDURE

1. The nominating individual completes the entire two-sided nomination application and attaches three business letters of endorsement (printed or typed on white, 8 1/2" by 11" paper). Persons chosen to write endorsement letters should support the candidate receiving council recognition. Please do not include name of a specific award in the letter. On occasion, the Selections Committee may recommend the candidate receive an award other than the one for which the nominating individual selected.
2. Send nomination application with letters of endorsement attached on or before December 1<sup>st</sup> to:  
**Selections Chairperson  
Girl Scouts NE Kansas & NW Missouri  
8383 Blue Parkway Drive  
Kansas City, Missouri 64133**
3. The nomination application and endorsement letters are reviewed by the Adult Recognition Selections Committee. A recommendation is made and submitted to the council board of directors for final approval in January.
4. Within two weeks following the board's action, the **nominating individual** is notified by letter of whether the candidate has been approved for recognition. An explanation is provided to the **nominating individual** if the nomination is not approved. Persons who have written letters of endorsement are not notified of the status of the nomination.
5. The nominating individual is asked to keep the nomination confidential. A formal letter will be sent to the candidate announcing they have been selected for council recognition. The name of the award will not be included in the letter.
6. The nomination application and endorsement letters are not returned.
7. The Appreciation Pin is presented at a time and place determined by the council.

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If you have questions or concerns contact, Jacqueline Bostic at (816) 358-8755 ext. 3041 or JackieBostic@girlscoutsksmo.org



**2. Describe how the service positively impacts the girls directly or indirectly.**

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**3. Describe how the service helped to achieve the goals of the service unit and/or council.**

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**Nominated By:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Area Code/Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Day and Evening

**State why you support and endorse the candidate for this award.**

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**The following individuals are providing letters of endorsement. (3 required)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Area Code/Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

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*The nomination applications with endorsement letters attached are due on or before December 1<sup>st</sup>.*

## **WHO QUALIFIES?**

Potential candidates for the **Appreciation Pin** include:

- An organizer who significantly or consistently exceeds goals for recruiting adults to lead troops and support service unit program activities, enabling the service unit to serve more girls.
- A program consultant who develops and launches a sports program for girls at a community center who would not otherwise be served by Girl Scouts.
- A service team manager whose management of the team results in a pattern of increased retention of girls and adult volunteers over several years.
- A council staff member who successfully establishes a variety of program delivery methods in a service unit resulting in increased girl and adult membership.
- A product sales manager who dramatically increases girl involvement in product sales from one year to the next.
- A day camp director whose effective management results in an increase in participation by girls and adults from one summer to the next.

## **ADDITIONAL TIPS FOR NOMINATORS**

- Quality of accomplishments is the primary determining factor in awarding recognition.
- Impact on girls is the leading measure of quality. Quality is not judged by the number of years in Girl Scouting, the number of positions held or previous recognition received.
- The nomination application should contain all the information the Selections Committee will need to make a decision.
- Provide detailed information of the candidate's accomplishments and scope of service. (i.e. numbers of girls and adults impacted, number of programs delivered)
- The nomination form should also factually document **how** the service was outstanding and exceeded expectations, **how** the service impacted girls directly (or indirectly through support of adult volunteers) and **how** the service contributed to the goals of the service unit..

**Provide specific examples of the impact of the candidate's accomplishments:**

### **Vague & Non-Specific**

*Sally recruited and placed more girls in troops than ever before.*

*Jane developed and delivered an effective safety program for the service unit=s day camp.*

*Tony directed two new service unit events this year which were highly successful.*

### **More Specific**

*Sally recruited and placed 500 girls in troops, a 15% increase over last year.*

*Jane's camp safety program was delivered to 150 girls and resulted in a 10% decrease in the number of accidents and injuries at day camp this year*

*Tony directed two new service unit events this year which served 100 girls each and were featured on the front page of the community newspaper.*