

HOW THE BADGE SYSTEM WORKS

The Badge Scheme refers to the system of advancement/ achievement for KAB Scout that follows a progression from a Membership Badge which is a pre-requisite for admission to a Kawan to the Young Usa Badge, The Growing Usa Badge, and finally the Leaping Usa Badge.

A badge with the head of the Young Usa represents completion of the Young Usa Requirements. A badge with a Growing Usa represents completion of the growing Usa requirements. A Leaping Usa Badge represents the completion of the requirements for the rank.

The KAB Scout Badge requirements for Advancement/Achievement Group as follows:

- Duty to God
- Duty to Country
- Duty to Others
- Duty to Self

The success of the badge scheme depends entirely upon the planning, the implementation, and evaluation of the Kawan and Color Group Activities by the leaders.

The KAB Scout's first step after registering at age 7, is to complete the six Membership Badge requirements. When the boy has fulfilled those requirements, his parents and other adults concerned approve and sign his book, after which he will be inducted as a KAB Scout in an investiture ceremony where he will receive his membership card. If he is 8 or 9 years old but new in KAB Scouting, he has to undergo this first Step.

Young Usa Rank: To become a Young Usa, he must pass 17 advancement and 4 achievement requirements. His parents/leader & other adults concerned must approve each advancement/ achievement requirement he has done and sign his book. His Kawan Leader must keep a record of his progress on the KAB Scout advancement chart. He then receives the Young Usa Badge in an advancement ceremony during a Kawan meeting. Parents are encouraged to attend this ceremony especially done for their sons.

Growing Usa Rank: This rank has 16 advancement and 5 achievement requirements. They are more difficult and challenging than the Young Usa requirements. After fulfilling the requirements, the KAB Scout is given the Growing Usa Badge.

Leaping Usa Badge: This is the final and the last rank to work on. This rank has 10 advancement and 6 achievement requirements, one of which is a free choice. They are the most difficult and the most challenging of all advancement/achievement requirements. After completion of the requirements, the KAB Scout receives his Leaping Usa Badge.

Completing the requirements depends on the boy's interest and ability. In the Badge System, each boy proceeds at his own pace; some boys may work fast and some slow. While waiting to earn his badge a KAB Scout can work on some Achievement Badge Requirements. Each Achievement requirement has a corresponding badge. There is a variety of achievement badges which are really exciting, challenging, and are relevant to the needs of our society and our world today.

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To receive the different Advancement, the KAB Scout must earn the Achievement Badges that it requires:

YOUNG USA

1. Duty to god
Be Good, Be Happy
2. Duty to Country
Good Citizenship
3. Duty to Others
Any one Achievement Badge
From the duty to others
4. Duty to Self
Be Healthy

GROWING USA

1. Duty to God
Give Peace
2. Duty to Country
Lets Sing & Dance the Filipino
Way or Tell it the Filipino Way or
Lets Play the Filipino Way

3. Duty to others
Help at Home
4. Duty to Self
Be Safety and one more
Achievement Badge of your
choice

LEAPING USA

1. Duty to God
Take Care of Your World
2. Duty to Country
Community Challenges
3. Duty to Others
First Aid and
Outdoor Fun & Adventure
4. Duty to Self
Making Choices and
Any one Achievement Badge
of your choice

THE KAB SCOUT ADVANCEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The KAB Scout Advancement program is based on a set of requirements well-planned to encourage the development of the KAB Scout's interest in a natural way. The requirements are also based on his four duties: Duty to God, Duty to Country, Duty to Others, Duty to Self.

Boys should be made to understand that the advancement program is not merely a set of rules and regulation for them, but it should be a boy's guide in his every day life. His requirement may be met at home, in school, or in the community. Passing the advancement/achievement requirement should be as a natural outcome of Color Group and Kawan activities. This is made possible through the playway method of doing things.

The advancement requirements are only secondary to the fun and adventure that the KAB Scout goes through in the Kawan and Color Group activities, woven around the monthly themes.

The Achievement Badges

The achievement program is designed to meet the interest, abilities, and needs of Filipino boys below 10 years of age. A variety of subjects are included in order to give a boy a chance to choose his favorite subject and to explore more deeply his interest and hobbies. The achievement requirements are also grouped into four duties namely: Duty to God, Duty to Country, Duty to Others, and Duty to Self.

The KAB Scout works on advancement requirements first then proceeds to achievement requirements. He can choose his achievement requirements based on his interest. He is made to understand that in order to deserve an achievement badge, he should perform the suggested activities faithfully and satisfactorily. As soon as the KAB Scout has decided to work on a particular achievement requirement, show him all the possible ways of doing it.

The Achievement Badges

Duty to God

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| 1. Be Good, Be Happy | 6. Pets are Fun |
| 2. Take Care of Your World | 7. Our Forest Friends |
| 3. Give Peace | 8. Nature Study |
| 4. Teamwork | 9. Grow Something |
| 5. Our Living World | 10. Sky watch |

Duty to Country

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| 1. Good Citizenship | 6. Great Filipinos |
| 2. Community Challenges World | 7. Making Friends Here and Around the World |
| 3. Let's Sing and Dance the Filipino Way | 8. Looking Back |
| 4. Tell it the Filipino Way | 9. Know Your Community |
| 5. Let's Play the Filipino Way | 10. Community helpers |

Duty to Others

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| 1. Help at Home | 6. Backyard Camping |
| 2. First Aid | 7. Family Safety |
| 3. Outdoor Fun and Adventure | 8. What's Cooking |
| 4. Secretes Code are Fun | 9. Give Goodwill |
| 5. Let Me Entertain You | 10. Fix It |

Duty to Self

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| 1. Be Healthy | 9. KAB Scout Scientist |
| 2. Be Safe | 10. Busy Hands at Work |
| 3. Making Choices | 11. Tying Things Up |
| 4. Hobbies for Fun | 12. Duck and Chickens |
| 5. Listen Well, Speak Well | 13. Toycraft |
| 6. Young Olympian | 14. Computers are Fun |
| 7. Water Fun | 15. Safety With Medicines |
| 8. KAB Scout Artist | 16. The Sound of Music |

ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

Personnel: Kawan Leader, Chief Usa, Advancing KAB Scouts and Parents

Equipment: Badges, cards, clothes pin and Advancement Ladder.

Arrangement: The Kawan Leader asks the Chief Usa with the KAB Scouts to be ready for advancement.

Kawan Leader: When a boy becomes a KAB Scout, he starts on an upward trail. He does not join a Kawan, just to wait idly for 3 years until he becomes a Scout. With the help of his parents and leaders, he will work and earn the various badges which are marks of achievement.

Today, we have 2 KAB Scouts who have completed the requirements for badges of advancement in rank.

Will the Chief Usa, please bring forward the KAB Scouts with their parents to receive badges and cards.

(The Chief Usa announces the Scouts' names and says)

Chief Usa: Here, we have _____, who is ____ years old and about to receive his _____ Badge. With extra effort on (boy's name) part and cooperation from his parents, his Assistant Kawan Leader and others, he has earned this _____ badge through the completion of the following activities. (The KAB Scout may recite some of his achievements and start with these words.... "With the help")

Advancing KAB Scout: With the help of my parent, Chief Usa _____, and Assistant Kawan Leader _____, I _____

Variation: The Chief Usa may cite some of the advancing KAB Scouts' achievements.

Chief Usa: He's now ready to receive his _____ Badge and card.

Kawan Leader: Mr. And Mrs. _____, we are happy that your son has completed all the requirements for _____. To you, goes the honor of presenting him his badge and card.

Will the parents and guests, please stand and recognize Mr. And Mrs. _____ for their son's honor.

(Parents stand and applaud while parent of advancing KAB Scout pins the badge on his/her son.)

Now, will all the KAB scouts in the audience stand and give _____ a hand for the fine job of advancement he is doing.

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(Advancing KAB Scout goes to the Advancement Ladder and moves his pin from its rung to the next.)

Note: (The same procedure will be followed for the other Advancing KAB Scouts).

Kawan Leader: Now, we can see that these 2 KAB Scouts are on the upward ladder.
(Turn to boys) With the same effort that you have shown before, keep working toward the highest award in KAB Scouting. (To all) My congratulations to you KAB Scouts and your parents for the fine work you have done in KAB Scouting. Keep up the good work.

Chief Usa _____, please lead a cheer for these members of the Kawan.