

Advisor Conferences

What is an Advisor Conference?: An advisor conference is a meeting scheduled with one or more of your crew's advisors designed to discuss the requirements you've completed. This is a time to go over the goal you set, the work you did for your personal reflection, and to ask any questions that you still have unanswered about your award. You should use the meeting to prepare yourself for your board of review and get a better understanding of the award you are trying to earn.

How to Prepare: When preparing for an advisor conference, make sure you have a good understanding of the work you have completed in regards to your award. Have any questions prepared ahead of time, so your conversation with your advisors is organized and concise. You want to show that you deserve the award you are trying to earn, so organization and professionalism is advised.

Scheduling: Just like a board of review, an advisor conference is your responsibility to schedule. Reach out to your advisors via your crew's preferred communication source, or approach them after a crew meeting/ outing. Work with your advisor to schedule a date and time so everyone has time to prepare. You can complete an advisor conference on a crew outing, such as a camping trip. If your crew has no upcoming events, try to schedule it before or after a meeting. Part of earning awards in Venturing is proving your responsibility, so planning an advisor conference is your job, not your advisors'.

Questions to Help You Prepare (These are to get you thinking about what you and your advisor might discuss):

- Tell me about the adventures you participated in.
- What did they contribute to your journey as a Venturer?
- How did they help you work towards your award?
- What leadership role did you accept for your award?
- How did that role impact you and your crew?
- What were some difficulties you faced when earning this award?
- What service projects did you participate in?
- What did you take away from those projects?
- Explain your personal reflection and what areas of personal growth you explored.
- Explain your personal goal you set and how you worked/ are working towards it.
- How would you use the skill you earned from the award to teach a younger/ new scout.