



Scouting America
Greater Alabama Council
Talakto District
Serving the Youth and Leaders of Madison County, Alabama
“Soaring Higher”

TALAKTO DISTRICT'S HIGH SOARING UNIT WORKSHEET “Soaring Higher”								
Unit Type		Unit Number		Chartering Organization				
Item	Unit Connection		White Feather	Red Feather	Blue Feather	White Points	Red Points	Blue Points
1.	Basic Unit Connection Objective		Meet with Unit Commissioner / Assistant District Commissioner / District Commissioner to establish unit goals within 4 months of unit charter / re-charter	Document goals and share with unit committee. Work goals and share progress at regular unit committee meetings.	Meet again with commissioner at 5 to 7 months from first goal setting meeting to discuss progress and establish changes / updates as required	5	10	20
Adult Training								
1.	Key Objective: Have the unit leader (e.g., Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Advisor, Skipper) and committee chair both completed position-specific training?		Unit Leader and Committee Chair have completed position-specific training	White + 75% of adult leaders have completed position-specific training	100% of adult leaders have completed position-specific training	5	10	20
2.	Supplemental Training		Unit advertises supplemental training to unit adults (Roundtable, University of Scouting, Wood Badge, etc)	White + At least one (1) unit leader attends district roundtable each month it's offered. And 2 unit leaders support/attend a supplemental training course during the units' charter year.	Red + Two or more unit leaders are Wood Badge trained.	5	10	20
Advancement								
1.	Is the unit currently meeting the key metric for advancement?		1. Packs/Troops – Did at least 30% of the youth advance at least one rank during the past 12 months? 2. Ships – Did at least 20% of the youth advance at least one rank during the past 12 months? 3. Crews/Ships – Does the unit have youth officers who are elected and trained by their peers?	P/T/S: White + 10% additional youth advance C: White + The crew has all required officers (President, Secretary, Treasurer) E: White + The post has 2 elected leaders	P/T/S: Red + 50% of total youth advance C: Red + At least one other officer appointed by the President E: Red + At least one other officer appointed by the post youth leader	5	10	20



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	Membership and Growth						
1.	Objective Unit Data for Year-over-Year Membership Growth & Unit Size Membership Growth – Is the unit currently meeting the metric for year-over-year (YOY) membership growth?	1. Did the unit show year-over-year membership growth? OR 2. Is the unit a pack with 50+ youth, a troop or post with 30+ youth, or a crew or ship with 15+ youth?	White + The unit has and utilizes a membership plan. This plan advertises the Recruiter Strip.	Red + In the past twelve months at least two scouts have earned the Recruiter Strip	5	10	20
	Retention						
1.	A threshold has not been established and data is currently being collected but this will take some time. At this time keep a close watch on retention for your unit and use this guide to aid in improving retention.	Unit registers 50% of current eligible members	White + 75% current eligible members	Red + 100% current eligible members	5	10	20
	Outdoor Activities						
1.	Objective Unit Data for Outdoor Activities Is the unit currently meeting the metric for outdoor activities?	Packs: Did the unit participate in outdoor activities Troops: Did the unit participate in a long-term outing Ships or Explorer Posts: Did the unit participate in a super activity Crews: Did the unit participate in a Tier 3 event All - within the past 12 months?	White + P: Participate in 3 outdoor activities during the past 12 months T: Participate in 6 outdoor activities during the past 12 months C/S/E: Participate in 6 activities other than regular meetings	Red + P: Participate in 6 outdoor activities during the past 12 months T: Participate in 10 outdoor activities during the past 12 months C/S/E: Participate in 10 activities other than regular meetings	5	10	20
2.	Service Projects	Unit participated in at least one service project in the past 12 months	Unit participated in at least 3 service projects in the past 12 months (other than those required for rank advancement)	Unit participated in at least 5 service projects in the past 12 months (other than those required for rank advancement) 1 of the 5 must benefit the unit's chartering organization	5	10	20



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	Accomplishment				W	R	B
	Units will earn points for only one feather per item			Total Points Possible	40	80	160
	Pack = P			White Feather* – Earn:	40 total points		
	Troop = T	*To earn the White Feather award a unit must earn all 40 required points from the White Feather award items					
	Crew = C			Red Feather – Earn:	80 total points		
	Ship = S						
	Post = E			Blue Feather – Earn:	120 total points		
				Total Points Earned			
Date:	/ /			Feathered Earned (check one)	W	R	B
A Scout is Trustworthy – Verified by:							
Unit Leader Name:			Signature:				
Cmte Chair Name:			Signature:				
Commissioner Name:			Signature:				

Turn in completed form to district awards chair