## INVENTION SCOUT ADVANCEMENT

## **MASTER**

## Social

1. Participate in a Team activity outside of a Crew meeting, and be active in your Crew.

# Lead

2. Since earning the Journeyman, serve actively as Team Leader, Crew President, Executive Vice President, or a department Vice President; Business, Technology, Facilities or Marketing for a period of at least six months.

## Learn

3. Watch at least 8 videos, books or tutorials in any of the Learning Skill topics at the Advance level, or other instruction approved by your Advisor. Discuss with your Crew or Team.

	Topic	Date Completed
0	Electronic and Robotic Lab	
0	2D and Woodworking Lab	
0	3D Lab	
0	Print and Design Lab	
0	Multimedia	
0	Leadership	
0	Business	
0	Creativity	

4. Master Invention Scout Project

# **Project**

There are many different skills required in product development. The Team members in your Crew are your best resources to help you with a successful product launch. Select a Team to help you with this project.

As a Master Invention Scout candidate you will choose an invention that can be designed, engineered, prototyped and be prepared for sales. You will need to complete a Business Plan that will include design, marketing, sales, manufacturing, packaging, advertising and distribution. Along the way your Advisors, Mentors and Crew members will be there to assist you.

### Steps

- Idea adoption (requires Advisor approval)
  - o Either by Brain Storming or other collaboration, pick your best invention idea.
  - Search to make sure your product really is new and different.
- Begin writing your Business Plan
  - o Start a rough draft of your plan. This plan will change as your product takes shape.
- Product development and engineering
  - Using the skills that you and your Team members have learned, design your product using the appropriate tools.
- Prototype your Product
  - o The Invention Lab may have everything you need to prototype your product, however, if you need specialized services you may bring in outside resources.
- Market testing
  - See if there really is a market for your product, in other words, "will people buy it"?"
- Marketing
  - Design a marketing program 0
- **Graphic Designs** 
  - Design logos, product packaging, and sales material.
- Make your Product
  - Make a plan on how to produce your product, how many you'll need, and the most profitable way to do it.

# Awesome

## Sales and Distribution

- Sell your product, using direct sales, the Invention Scout website, Facebook page or a Crowdfunding site like KickStarter, just to name a few possibilities (with your Advisors approval).
- Present your Invention and completed Business Plan to your Crew.

Compete

5. With at least 2 of your Team members, participate in an Invention Scout Challenge or an Invention Contest approved by your Crew Advisor. Describe what you made to your Team or Crew.

Teach

6. Instruct a Novice, Apprentice or Journeyman, or any other Scout approved by your Advisor on at least 4 skills.

Service

7. Participate in Community Service activities using Invention Skills totaling at least 10 hours. Up to half of the service may be delivered personally; the rest must be delivered through crew service activities.

Advance

8. Participate in an Advisor conference, and successfully complete a Crew board of review.