

## Eagle Scout Celebration Week | February 21-27, 2021 Eagle Scout Service Project Description Jamison Kugler

My project was installing awnings above eight doorways at the sixth-grade classrooms at Old Vail Middle School. They help divert water from the doorways so that teachers can more easily leave their doors open for students to enter when it is raining, and it will help to limit water from pooling on the ramps.

After my project was approved, I made a list of everything that would have to be done, and I started working on some prototypes to get the beneficiary's approval. I started to contact family and troop members to see who could help on which days. I found people who had the tools I needed, and I made sure the tools would be available on the days I needed them.

The awnings were changed from metal to wood because metal was extremely expensive and harder to work with. The awnings were also changed from being attached to the ramps to being attached to the building by request from the school.

Getting the necessary materials was challenging because many stores could not donate materials, so I had to go to many different stores to get what was needed to complete the project. I also had to redesign the awnings three times because of issues with materials and the longevity of the school's ramps.

Once work on the awnings started, preparation and assembly of the awnings occurred quickly and there were no injuries during the work. I was also able to easily get people to help on the project, including four Eagle Scouts and one other Scout also working on his project, along with other youth and adults.

I organized helpers into different jobs when working to increase the efficiency of the entire group. I demonstrated how to do each task then had the helpers perform their task while I supervised to ensure the quality of the work. The materials had to be measured, cut, sanded, painted, and attached. The first awning was attached to the

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building after it was completed to make sure it fit. Then the other 7 awnings were created and assembled in my yard in different stages. They were attached to the buildings on the final day. I made sure to provide drinks for workers to prevent dehydration. I answered questions that helpers had about their tasks so they could do their job effectively.

The most rewarding part of being the leader was seeing the finished product and knowing it was created because I organized it.

I passed my Eagle Board of Review on Wednesday, March 11. That was the last "normal" day before the Coronavirus started closing things down and canceling events. After the Scout Office reopened, I was able to get my approved binder back and my Eagle patch. Instead of a Court of Honor, I had a Zoom call where my uncle had me repeat the Eagle charge and my dad handed me the case with the Eagle patch and pin.

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