

2019-2020 Revised Star Council Award Criteria FAQs

Will the revised criteria roll over to next fraternal year?

No. The revised criteria will apply to the 2019-2020 fraternal year only.

How are the 40% membership and 50% insurance quota reductions calculated?

Find your current quota on Officers Online. Take that number and multiply by .60 for membership and .50 for insurance. When necessary round numbers using standard practice. That is 5.1 thru 5.4 rounds to 5 and 5.5 thru 5.9 rounds to 6. A simple table of “current” and “revised” numbers will be posted on kofc.org and sent to all councils next week.

Will the new revised quota numbers be updated on Officers Online?

No. The Officers Online portal cannot be updated with the new quota numbers. There is, however, a cross reference table on Officers Online that shows the old and new quota numbers. Revised Star Tracker reports will be available to State Deputies.

Will councils that achieve 200% of their revised net gain quota earn Double Star Council?

Yes. Councils that attain Star Council status and achieve 200% of their revised membership net gain quota will receive the Double Star Council Award. If they achieve 300% of their revised net gain quota, they will receive the Triple Star Council Award.

If a council held a benefits seminar earlier in the fraternal year does this satisfy the new requirement for the Founders Award?

Yes. The General Agent still must notify the Supreme Office that the council held a benefits seminar during this fraternal year.

How can my council hold a benefits seminar when we do not have a field agent assigned?

Councils without a field agent assigned to them should contact their General Agent. He will arrange for an agent to conduct the seminar.

Can more than one council participate in the same benefits seminar?

Yes. In cases where agents have multiple councils, agents may hold one, large night for multiple councils, and, provided that all councils promote the night, and members from all councils attend, that night can count for all of those councils.

Is there a minimum number of participants required at a seminar?

No. There is no minimum number of attendees required, but every effort must be made to make this a significant event. One-on-one meetings between the agent and grand knight, for example, will not count.

How does a council get credit for holding a benefits seminar?

The council must promote the event to members and the General Agent must report the event, in writing, to councilgrowth@kofc.org. No other methods will be accepted.

Will annuity applications still apply to the insurance quota?

Yes.

Do the new insurance requirements apply to councils in the seven jurisdictions that were participating in the insurance pilot program?

Yes. The new insurance criteria apply to all councils in the US and Canada, including those jurisdictions participating in the pilot program.

What are the new Columbian Award requirements?

Councils must conduct at least 10 programs, 2 each in Faith, Family, Community and Life, and at least 2 additional programs in any category. Specific programs are not “required”.

Will Featured Programs still count as 2 credits toward the Columbian Award?

Yes. The Columbian Award requirement was reduced to 10 credits from 16 credits, and featured programs are still worth 2 credits. Leave No Neighbor Behind programs and reporting are also worth 2 credits and can be applied to any category.

Will the adjusted quota numbers and new Columbian Award requirements be the only criteria for earning Star Council this year?

No. While the payment of Supreme assessments and per capita have been waived as criteria this year, all other Star Council requirements, including Safe Environment, forms filing, etc. remain in effect.

Will similar reductions in membership and insurance goals be applied to the Star District Award as well?

Yes. Star District requirements for 2019-2020 have been adjusted to reflect the revised Star Council criteria. The revised Star District Requirements are as follows:

1. Membership – 70% of the combined total of all revised council quotas
2. Insurance – 70% of the combined total of all revised council quotas (DDs will be credited with a council’s insurance quota if that council hosts an approved benefits seminar)
3. At least one council in the district must earn the Star Council Award

The quotas listed on Officers Online cannot be updated. Revised district quotas will be emailed to District Deputies shortly.

Will Supreme still apply a per capita credit of \$4.50 per billable member for councils that attain Star Council for the 2019-2020 fraternal year?

Yes. The \$4.50 per capita credit incentive will remain in effect for the 2019-2020 fraternal year.