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TRPOOP 83

Kevin Perez

Kevin Perez began his Scouting journey as a Cub Scout with Pack 95 at Shades Valley Lutheran Church in Homewood, where he received his **Arrow of Light**. Shortly thereafter he would continue his involvement in Scouting by joining Troop 83.

Throughout his Scouting career, Kevin earned 21 merit badges and consistently participated in Troop meetings, outings, and completed three high-adventure experiences. His first was at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, where he spent two weeks backpacking in the backcountry and summited the region's highest peak. His second adventure took him to the Boundary Waters in Minnesota for a 50-mile wilderness canoeing expedition along the Canadian border. His third adventure took place at Sea Base in Key West, Florida.

For his Eagle Scout project, Kevin chose to develop a hammock park at Shades Cahaba Elementary School, which was a longtime wish by their school librarian and fellow Dawson member, Beth Gladney. Collaborating with Ms. Gladney, Kevin developed a plan to benefit Shades Cahaba students by constructing an outdoor classroom and recreational venue. With the support of family, friends, and fellow Scouts, Kevin implemented the development of the park, which can be used for academic instruction and recreation. The project began in April 2025 and was completed in October.

Kevin is the son of Cristina and Ivan Madera Perez. He and his family are members of Dawson's Hispanic Congregation, and he is also active in Dawson's Student Ministry.

A senior at Homewood High School, Kevin maintains an exemplary 4.0 GPA. He competed with the wrestling team for two years, enjoys ultimate frisbee, and has an enduring passion for environmental stewardship. After high school, Kevin plans to pursue a degree in environmental science, focusing on the preservation of the natural world.

Congratulations, Kevin, on this amazing achievement!

