

Leadership Application

Troop 420

Name: _____ age: _____ rank: _____

Election procedures: Applications are due to Scoutmasters on or before _____ and are required to be eligible to run for office. Elections are to be held on _____. We will use a secret ballot for all voting.

The SPL and ASPL will be elected as a unit. One PL will be elected for each Patrol. All other positions will be appointed by the SPL with the approval of the Scoutmaster (positions labeled with an * will be appointed by the SM).

SPL/ASPL and PL candidates must prepare a one (1) minute speech to deliver to all troop members on _____, prior to the elections. These candidates must also identify at least three goals or campaign promises. Leadership positions will overlap for training, the new leaders will fully assume their position on _____.

Positions: See page 2 for a brief description of each job. The full job description can be found on our Web site.

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| 1. Senior Patrol Leader/ASPL | 4. Troop Guide | 7. Instructor | 10. Historian | 13. OA Representative* |
| 2. Patrol Leader | 5. Scribe | 8. Chaplin Aide | 11. Webmaster | 14. Den Chief* |
| 3. Assistant Patrol Leader | 6. Quartermaster | 9. Librarian | 12. Bugler | 15. Outdoor Ethics Guide* |
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Positions applying for:

List only the positions you are willing to hold if chosen (in order of preference). You may list more than one position. You may hold only one Troop wide position. Once you are elected or selected to a position, your name will be removed from all subsequent ballots. If you list SPL, name your ASPL.	1.
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Select the position you would <u>most</u> like to hold. Give the reasons why you want this position and why you think you will do a good job. List your "goals" or campaign promises (be sure to check the position requirements)	
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Scout's Agreement: I read the full job descriptions and will fulfill the responsibilities of the Leadership position if elected.

Signed: _____ date: _____

Parent's Support Agreement: I agree with the commitment my son is making. I realize that, if he is elected, his presence is necessary for the smooth functioning of the troop.

Signed: _____ date: _____

Return this form to the SM by the date listed above.

Troop Positions

All elected leaders are expected to be active in our Troop, set a good example in behavior, attend Troop meetings and wear our uniform properly. SPL, ASPL, Scribe, Patrol Leaders and Troop Guides must attend the PLC meetings.

All leaders are expected to find another Scout to do the job when they will be absent.

- SPL:** The Senior Patrol Leader is elected and in charge of troop meetings. He chairs meetings of the Patrol Leaders' Council. The PLC plans troop activities and programs. The Senior Patrol Leader's job is to see that the troop runs in an orderly and timely manner. The SPL works closely with the Scoutmaster. Requirements: 14 years old or older and Star rank or higher.
Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: The ASPL helps the senior patrol leader lead meetings and activities. He runs the troop in the absence of the SPL. He helps train and supervise the troop scribe, quartermaster, instructors, librarian, historian and chaplain aide. Requirements: 14 years old or older and Star rank or higher. Elected with the SPL.
 - Patrol Leader:** The Patrol Leader is the elected leader of his patrol. He represents his patrol at the Patrol Leader's Council. He plans and leads patrol meetings, helps members of his patrol advance and keeps patrol members informed about Troop activities.
 - Assistant Patrol Leader:** The APL assists the Patrol Leader in all of his jobs. If the Patrol Leader is absent, the APL serves in the Patrol Leader's place at meetings or on campouts.
 - Troop Guide:** The Troop Guide is a "mentor" to new Scouts and helps all Scouts with requirements to 1st Class. He provides direction, coaching, and support to new troop members. Requirements: 1st Class rank or higher.
 - Scribe:** The Scribe is the troop's secretary. He attends the Patrol Leaders' Council and keeps notes of the discussions. He is not a voting member of the PLC. During Troop meetings he records attendance.
 - Quartermaster:** The Quartermaster is responsible for Troop supplies and equipment. He keeps a current inventory of troop equipment and makes sure it is in good condition. He works with Patrol Grubmasters as they check out and return equipment. He reports to the Patrol Leaders' Council on equipment needing replacement or repair. He works closely with the Troop Equipment Coordinator.
 - Instructor:** The Instructor should be good in both Scouting skills and in the ability to teach others. Requirements: 13 years old or older and 1st Class rank or higher.
 - Chaplin Aide:** The Chaplain Aide assists the troop in religious services. He says grace at meals. He plans and leads Scouts Own service on camp outs. He promotes the religious emblems program.
 - Librarian:** The Troop Librarian oversees the care and use of Troop books, pamphlets and magazines. Scouts check out and return Troop material from the Librarian. The Librarian keeps records to ensure everything is returned in a timely manner. He keeps a current Merit Badge counselor list and suggests new material/reports the need to repair or replace material.
 - Historian:** The Historian collects and preserves troop photographs, news stories, trophies, flags, scrapbooks, awards and other memorabilia. He is responsible to publish the Troop newsletter.
 - Troop Webmaster:** The Webmaster is responsible for maintaining the troop's website. He should make sure information posted on the website is correct and up to date and members' and leaders' privacy is protected. A member of the troop committee will assist him with his work.
 - Bugler:** The Bugler plays the bugle (or a similar interest) to mark key moments during the day on troop outings, such as reveille and lights out. He must know the required bugle calls and taps.
- The Scoutmaster Appoints these Leaders:**
- OA Representative:** The OA Representative must be an active OA member. He keeps the Troop informed about OA activities and encourages Troop members to participate in OA.
 - Outdoor Ethics Guide:** The Outdoor Ethics Guide specializes in the Outdoor Code, the Leave No Trace principles and the Tread Lightly! principles. The OEG teaches and helps plan a program that practices these skills. Requirements: Must have completed Leave No Trace training.
 - Den Chief:** The Den Chief works with Cubs, Webelos and Den Leaders in a designated Cub Scout Pack. He helps Cub Scouts advance in rank and encourages Cub Scouts to join a Boy Scout troop. Requirements: He must attend Den Chief training.
 - Junior Assistant Scoutmaster:** The Jr. ASM functions as an Assistant Scoutmaster. He performs duties as assigned by the Scoutmaster.