



Troop 401

Leadership Position Description

CHAPLAIN AIDE

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Type:** Elected by the members of the Troop by separate ballot
- Term:** 6 months - (may serve consecutive terms)
- Reports to:** Assistant Senior Patrol Leader
- Description:** As the Chaplain Aide, you have an opportunity to be a friend to the Scouts and leaders and to contribute to their spiritual welfare and growth. By virtue of your position and personality, you can encourage the boys in their Scouting work and other aspects of their total lives.
- Comments:** A non-voting member of the Patrol Leaders Council (PLC). Position is eligible for attendance at the Annual Junior Leader Cabin Outing if position credit is attained.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Age:** 14 or older
- Rank:** First Class or Higher
- Experience:** Previous service as PL or APL

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Training:** You must attend the troop Junior Leader Training even if you have attended in the past.
- Position Credit:** To receive credit for this position, you must have an average attendance record of at least 70% of all troop meetings, outings, and service projects. If your attendance is low, or if you have three unexcused absences in a row, you can be removed from office.
- Effort:** A good Chaplain Aide is organized, responsible, experienced, and an active member in the troop. You are expected to give this job your best effort.

SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provides a spiritual tone for all troop meetings and camping experiences.
- Assures members and leaders of your interest in them and their activities.
- Provides opportunities for all boys to grow in their relationship with God and their fellow Scouts.
- Encourage Scouts to participate in the religious emblems program of their respective faith.
- Make the 12th point of the Scout Law more meaningful in life
- Maintain the troop's religious emblems award progress chart.
- Serve as the youth coordinator for the observance of the annual Scout Sunday in February.
- Prepares prayers for troop meetings, outings and events
- Encourage troop members to strengthen their own relationship with God through personal prayer and devotions and participation in religious activities.
- Participate in the Patrol Leader's Council meetings and Patrol Leader's Council planning sessions, ensuring that a spiritual emphasis is included, e.g., vespers, prayer before meals, religious observances, etc.

GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

- Uniform:** Set the example by wearing your uniform correctly. This means that you will wear all of the parts of the troop uniform, shirttail tucked in, with all required badges in their correct locations.
- Behavior:** Set the example by living the Scout Oath, Law and Outdoor Code in your everyday life. Show Scout Spirit in everything you say and do.
- Attendance:** Set the example by being an active Scout. Be on-time for meetings and activities. You must call the Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you suddenly have to miss an outing. You also need to make sure that someone will assume your responsibilities.