



## Troop 401

### Leadership Position Description

# TROOP GUIDE

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#### GENERAL INFORMATION

- Type:** Elected by the members of the Troop or appointed by the Scoutmaster
- Term:** 6 months - (may serve consecutive terms)
- Reports to:** Assistant Scoutmaster for Advancement
- Description:** The Troop Guide works with new scouts. He helps them feel comfortable and earn their First Class ranks..
- Comments:** The first year as a Boy Scout is a critical time with new places, new people, new rules, and new activities. The Troop Guide is a friend to the new Scouts and makes first year fun and successful. This is an important position.  
Voting member of Patrol Leaders Council.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

- Age:** 14 or older
- Rank:** First Class or Higher
- Experience:** Previous service in a troop or patrol position

#### PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Training:** You must attend the troop Junior Leader Training even if you have attended in the past.
- Attendance:** To receive credit for this position, you must have an average attendance record of at least 70% of all troop meetings, Patrol Leaders' Council 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:** You are expected to give this job your best effort.

#### SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

- Introduces new Scouts to troop operations
- Guides new Scouts through early Scouting activities
- Helps new Scouts with difficulties and reports to Scoutmaster
- Helps new Scouts earn up to First Class rank
- Runs the first half hour advancement period for new scouts
- Uses Senior Patrol to assist in advancement instruction
- Teaches basic Scout skills
- Works with the patrol leader at patrol leaders' council meetings
- Assists the Assistant Scoutmaster with training
- Counsels individual Scouts on Scouting challenges

#### 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.