

Chaplain Aide



General Information

Description: The Chaplain Aide works with the Troop Chaplain to meet the religious needs of Scouts in the troop. He also works to promote the religious awards program.

Comments: "Duty to God" is one of the core beliefs of Scouting. The Chaplain Aide helps everyone in the troop by preparing short religious observations for campouts and other functions. The Chaplain Aide does not always lead the observation himself and can have other troop members' help.

Reports to:	Assistant Senior Patrol Leader
Type:	Appointed by the Senior Patrol Leader
Term:	6 months

Qualifications

Age:	None
Rank:	None
Experience:	None
Attendance:	75% for all activities over previous 6 months
Confirmation:	Nomination Approved by Scoutmaster

Performance Requirements

Training:	You must attend the troop Junior Leader Training, even if you have attended in the past.
Attendance:	<p>You are expected to attend at a minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80% of Patrol Leaders' Council meetings • 65% of troop meetings • 65% of troop outings • 65% of service projects <p>If your attendance is low, or if you have three (3) unexcused absences in a row, you can be removed from office.</p>
Effort:	You are expected to give this job your best effort and use the adult leadership and advice when you feel they are needed.

General Leadership Responsibilities

Uniform:	Set the example by wearing your uniform correctly. This means that you will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear all of the parts of the troop uniform as defined by troop communication. • Shirt buttoned correctly, shirttail tucked in. • All required insignia and badges current and in their correct locations.
Behavior:	Set the example by living the Scout Oath and Law 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 and prepared for meetings and activities. If you are not going to be at a meeting you must call the Senior Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster. If you suddenly have to miss an outing, you must notify the Scoutmaster, the adult in charge, and the Senior Patrol Leader. You also need to make sure that the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader or his delegate is ready to assume your responsibilities. This requires you to "Be Prepared". Plan ahead and this will never be an issue.

Specific Leadership Responsibilities

- Attends and functions as a member of the Patrol Leaders Council.
- Assists the Troop Chaplain with religious services at troop activities.
- Tells Scouts about the religious emblem program for their faith.
- Makes sure religious holidays are considered during troop program planning.
- Helps plan for religious observance in troop activities.
- Plan and lead religious services at troop activities, such as Sunday services on campouts and invocations at Courts of Honor.
- Set a good example.
- Enthusiastically wear the Scout uniform correctly.
- Live by the Scout Oath and Law.
- Show Scout spirit.

Duties	What it means in Troop 804
Function as a member of the PLC:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend and participate in all PLC meetings. • Provide helpful suggestions in the meeting planning process. • Volunteer to lead activities at meetings. • Make a list of items assigned to you and follow through on those items.
Keep Troop leaders apprised of religious holidays when planning activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend and participate in the Troop Leadership Training session and the program planning meeting, highlighting religious holidays to plan around.
Encourage religious participation at Troop activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist Troop Chaplain in meeting religious needs of Troop members while on activities. • Lead Troop in brief prayer at each Troop meetings. • Provide a religious "Scouts Own" service on campouts. • Lead invocation at Courts of Honor. • Encourage saying grace at meals while camping or on activities.
Keep others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give an instructional presentation about the religious awards program

informed:	once per term at a Troop meeting.
Set a good example:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be the first to reflect the scout sign. • Maintain a positive and enthusiastic attitude. • Exhibit good self-discipline. • Have a good attendance record. • Meet your obligations on time and in full effort. • Have fun but not at the expense of others. Goofing off without purpose wastes time and loses the interest and respect of the other scouts. • REMEMBER: The troop will follow your example.
Wear the uniform correctly:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always conform to the Troop 804 uniform policy.
Show Scout Spirit:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the Scout Oath and Law as an everyday guideline. • Actively participate in the activities of Troop 804. • Set an example for the other Scouts to follow.