



Chaplain Aide

Job Description:

The **Chaplain Aide** works with the Troop Chaplain to meet the Religious needs of the Scouts in the Troop. The Chaplain Aide is appointed by the SPL and approved by the Scoutmaster immediately after a new SPL is elected. He also works to promote the Religious Emblems Program offered by members' religious institution, BSA & P.R.A.Y. The Chaplain Aide presents prayers at Troop gatherings, and other Troop activities, such as, meetings, dinners, campouts, ceremonies, etc. By Troop Committee decision, he must be at least **First Class** rank and have **JLT** Training. The Chaplain Aide, at the direction of the Scoutmaster, is responsible for writing a summary of accomplishments at the end of each term of office. At all times the Chaplain Aide must be aware that he is a role model for the Scout Troop and he should demonstrate leadership and provide a living example by following the ideals and principles of Scouting.

Reports to: the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (and works with the Chaplain)

Adult Mentor: Adult Chaplain, or designee

Chaplain Aide Qualifications:

- 1st Class Scout
- JLT Training

Counts toward rank: Star, Life, Eagle

Length of term: 4 months (March-June, July-October, November-February)

Chaplain Aide duties:

- Regularly attend Troop meetings, Troop campouts, and Troop events during his service period.
- Keep Troop Leadership apprised of Religious Holidays when planning activities.
- Deliver prayers or services as requested by the Troop Leadership.
- Assist Chaplain or Religious Program Coordinator in meeting the Religious needs of Troop members while on activities.
- Encourage the saying grace at meals while camping or on activities.
- Tell Scouts about the Religious Emblem Program of their faith.
- Help plan for Religious observance in all Troop activities.
- Develop a “Scouts Own Service” program for each campout, and lead the service. If the Chaplain Aide is not going to be present on the outing, he will develop and deliver the service to an approved Scout who will conduct the service during the campout.
- Attend $2/3^{\text{rds}}$, or more, of all Troop meetings during his service period.
- Attend $2/3^{\text{rds}}$, or more, of all PLC meetings during his service period.
- Attend $1/2$, or more, of all Troop campouts during his service period.
- Set a good example and be a positive role model to the Troop membership through cheerful service and following the ideals and principles of Scouting.
- Wear the full class “A” Scout Uniform correctly to all Scout meetings, outings, activities and functions during his service period.
- Live by the Scout Law and Scout Oath.
- Demonstrate Scout spirit.

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