



JPL Troop 509 Leadership Position Description

DEN CHIEF

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Position:** Appointed by the scoutmaster
Term: 1 full year (to be eligible for the Den Chief Service Award)
Reports to: Scoutmaster and den leader
Role: Den chiefs work with Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, and den leaders in Cub Scout packs.
Comments: The den chief provides knowledge of games and scout skills that many den leaders lack. The den chief is also a recruiter for the troop. This function is important because no troop can thrive without new members and most will come from Cub Scouting.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Age:** 13 or older
Rank: First Class rank or higher
Experience: none, but past service as patrol leader or assistant patrol leader is recommended
Attendance: 75% over previous 12 months

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Training:** You must attend the Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops even if you have attended in the past.
Attendance: You are expected to attend 75% of all troop meetings, Troop Leadership Corps (TLC) 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.
In terms of attendance with your den, you are expected to attend 90% of den meetings and pack functions. You must inform the den leader if you will be absent.
Effort: When you accept this position, you agree to provide service and leadership to the den and pack. You are expected to give this job your best effort.

GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

- Uniform:** Set a good example by wearing your uniform correctly. Wear all of the parts of the troop uniform, shirt tucked in, with all required badges in their correct locations.
Behavior: Set a good example by living the scout oath and law in your everyday life. Show scout spirit in everything you say and do.
Attendance: Set a good example by being an active scout. Be on time for meetings and activities. You must contact the den leader if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you have to miss an activity.

SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

- Set a GOOD EXAMPLE (the most powerful form of leadership).
- Receive den chief training / know the purposes of Cub Scouting.
- Be a friend to the boys in the den.
- Help Cub Scouts achieve the purposes of scouting.
- Encourage Cub Scouts to join a Boy Scout troop upon graduation.
- Help at weekly den meetings and monthly pack meetings.
- Assist with den meeting activities (5 songs, 5 skits, 5 games, 5 sporting activities).
- Meet with adult members of the den, pack, and troop as necessary to discuss your role and responsibilities to the den and pack.