

Senior Patrol Leader (Boy's & Girl's)

With three green bars behind the Scout emblem, the senior patrol leader's shoulder patch symbolizes one of the oldest leadership positions in Scouting. Scouting BSA has long recognized the senior patrol leader as the highest youth leadership position in a troop. They are the primary link between a troop's Scouts and its adult leaders. They shoulder the responsibility for leading meetings of the troop and the patrol leaders' council and provide valuable leadership in planning and carrying out the troop's program of outdoor activities, service projects, and events.



Responsibilities

- Preside at all troop meetings, events, activities, and the annual program planning conference
 - Introduction announcements at the front of all troop meetings
 - Make sure Patrol Corners run smoothly - communicate directly to Patrol Leaders
 - Primary leader at monthly camping trips; works with Scoutmaster to make sure all details are communicated out to patrols
 - Primary contact at other Scouting events
- Chairs the patrol leaders' council (PLC) meetings
 - Works with Scoutmaster to lead the PLC
 - Must come prepared with calendar and notepad
 - Verifies that information is distributed to each patrol after the PLC
- Appoints other troop junior leaders with the advice and counsel of the Scoutmaster
 - Appoints ASPLs after elections
 - Trains and provides opportunities for the ASPL to gain leadership experience
 - Works with Scoutmaster to appoint Troop Guides and other leadership positions
- Assigns duties and responsibilities to junior leaders
 - Delegates responsibilities to ASPL and Patrol Leaders
- Sets a good example
- Wears the Scout uniform correctly
- Lives by the Scout Oath and Law
- Shows Scout spirit

Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (Boy's & Girl's)

The assistant senior patrol leader is the second highest youth leadership position in the troop, working closely with the senior patrol leader to help the troop move forward. The assistant senior patrol leader acts as the senior patrol leader in the absence of the senior patrol leader or when called upon, and provides leadership to other youth leaders in the troop. The assistant senior patrol leader is appointed by the senior patrol leader under the guidance of the Scoutmaster.



Responsibilities

- Helps the senior patrol leader lead meetings and activities
 - Works closely with SPL to know and understand the entire Troop program
 - Helps with program details on all Scouting events
 - Works with one or two patrols during Patrol Corners
- Runs the troop in the absence of the senior patrol leader
- Serves as a member of the patrol leaders' council
 - Must attend monthly PLC meetings
 - Must have calendar and notepad at the meeting
- Sets a good example
- Wears the Scout uniform correctly
- Lives by the Scout Oath and Law
- Shows Scout spirit
- Lends a hand controlling the patrols and building patrol spirit