



JPL Troop 509 Leadership Position Description

DEN CHIEF

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Position:** Appointed by the Scoutmaster
Term: 12 months (which qualifies 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: Den chiefs provide 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:** 12 or older
Rank: Second Class rank or higher
Experience: None, but past service as patrol leader or assistant patrol leader is recommended

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Training:** You must attend the Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST)
Attendance: You are expected to attend 90% of all den and pack meetings, 50% of all pack activities, 50% of all troop meetings, 50% of all troop outings and 25% of all service projects. If your attendance is low, or if you have three unexcused absences in a row, you can be removed from office. 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 and know the purposes of Cub Scouting
- Meet with adult members of the den, pack and troop as necessary to discuss your role and responsibilities to the den and pack
- Help at weekly den meetings and monthly pack meetings
- Assist with den meeting activities (songs, skits, games and sporting activities)
- Help Cub Scouts achieve the purposes of scouting
- Be a friend to the scouts in the den
- Encourage Cub Scouts to bridge to a troop