



**BSA TROOP 52**  
**1<sup>st</sup> UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, LAWRENCE, KANSAS**  
**ELECTED YOUTH LEADERSHIP DESCRIPTIONS**

## **TROOP GUIDE (TG)**

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Term:** 1 year, subject to the discretion of the Scoutmaster.

**Reports to:** Scoutmaster

**Description:** The Troop Guide works with new Scouts. He helps them feel comfortable and earn their First Class rank in their first year.

**Comments:** The first year as a Boy Scout is a critical time with new places, new people, new rules, and new activities. The Troop Guide is a friend to the new Scouts and makes first year fun and successful. This is an important position.

### **QUALIFICATIONS AS STATED BY TROOP BY-LAWS**

**Age:** None

**Rank:** Life scout or higher

**Experience:** None

**Attendance:** In good standing with troop with 50% over previous 6 months

### **PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

**Training:** You must attend the troop Junior Leader Training.

**Attendance:** You are expected to attend 75% of all troop meetings, Patrol Leaders' Council meetings, outings, and service projects. If your attendance is low, or if you have three (3) unexcused absences in a row, you can be removed from office.

**Effort:** You are expected to give this job your best effort.

### **GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Uniform:** Set the example by wearing your uniform correctly. This means that you will wear all of the parts of the troop uniform, shirttail tucked in, with all required badges 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 for meetings and activities. You must call the Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you suddenly have to miss an outing. You also need to make sure that someone will assume your responsibilities.

### **SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Introduces new Scouts to troop operations.
- Guides new Scouts through early Scouting activities
- Shields new Scouts from harassment by older Scouts.
- Helps new Scouts earn First Class in their first year.
- Teaches basic Scout skills.
- Coaches the patrol leader of the new Scout patrol on his duties.
- Works with the patrol leader at Patrol Leaders' Council meetings.
- Attends Patrol Leaders' Council meetings with the patrol leader of the new Scout patrol.
- Assists the Assistant Scoutmaster with training.
- Counsels individual Scouts on Scouting challenges.