

## Troop 43 Election Guidelines

These guidelines are for all elected positions: **Senior Patrol Leader** and **Patrol Leader**:

- All scouts standing for election, must submit the **Leadership Application Form**, signed by a parent or guardian, by the specified due date.
- A scout who is standing for election does not have to be present at the election, but he must have submitted the Leadership Application Form on time.
- Voting will be by secret ballot.
- A scout must have been active in the troop in the past three months - attended at least 3 meetings - in order to cast a vote.
- A scout must be present to cast a vote.
- Each scout eligible to vote will be given a ballot.
- A scout will write the name of the candidate he is voting for on the ballot.
- If a scout does not want vote for any candidates, he should write "None" on the ballot.
- A scout who is standing for election can cast a vote for himself.
- A scout who is standing for election can campaign for votes explaining why he will be a good leader.
- A scout should not resort to any **Negative Campaigning** - that is, he should not talk negatively about the other candidates.
- If only one scout, stands for election he will be appointed to the position with the approval of the Scoutmaster.
- **Tie Breaker Rules:**
  - More than two candidates running - If the 1st place is tied between two scouts, the other scouts will be removed, and the election will be repeated with the two scouts only.
  - Two scouts only running - If there is a tie with two scouts only, the scout with the **best attendance record** in the past six months will be selected.