

Troop 221 Elections

- Elections are held every 6 months, in the Second Month (after Klondike) and in the Eighth Month (after summer camp).
- Eligibility for each office may be fine tuned, by the PLC and Scoutmaster, if the availability of candidates requires it.
- In general, eligibility for the offices includes:
 - § SPL – At least First Class, at least two terms as a PL or one as PL and one as ASPL, recent troop activity.
 - § ASPL – At least First Class, at least one term as a PL or one as another officer of the Troop.
 - § Scribe – At least First Class, at least one term as a PL or one as another officer of the Troop.
 - § Quartermaster – At least First Class, at least one term as a PL or one as another officer of the Troop.
 - § Librarian – At least Second Class.
 - § Historian – At least Second Class.
 - § Chaplain Aide – At least Second Class
 - § Patrol Leader – For all standing patrols, At least Second Class. For the first term of a New Scout patrol, at least Scout. For the second term of a New Scout Patrol, at least Tenderfoot.
 - § Patrol Quarter Master and Scribe - For all standing patrols, At least Second Class. For the first term of a New Scout patrol, at least Scout. For the second term of a New Scout Patrol, at least Tenderfoot.
- All candidates must also have a favorable recommendation from the Scoutmaster based on Scout Spirit.
- All candidates, except Patrol Leader, are elected by the Troop as a whole, by secret ballot. Patrol Leaders are elected by their own patrols, by secret ballot. A Patrol Leader may appoint his own Assistant Patrol Leader and other officers as he sees fit.
- Prospective Candidates are to apply in advance in writing to the Scoutmaster, to check eligibility and for his recommendation. Those receiving it are to prepare a one minute speech to present to the Troop or Patrol. All candidates for each office will be listed on a [ballot](#). Each Scout will then rank all the candidates he feels are acceptable. The best candidate gets as many points as there are candidates. The next best candidate gets that number of points minus one, and so on. For instance, if there were 4 candidates, A, B, C and D, and the Scout voting thought C was best, D was next best, A was acceptable and he did not like B at all, he would give C 4 points, D 3 points, A 2 points and B zero points. The candidate with the most points overall would win the election. No one may hold more than one of the above offices a one time. Any candidates who fail to win one office may run for any other office for which they are eligible.
- The ballots will be tallied by the adult leaders present.

A Leadership Training Camp will be scheduled to occur as soon as possible following the election. Each prospective candidate should plan, if at all possible, to be able to attend that camp if he is elected.