

Central Region Section 4

Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouts of America

Section Officer Information and Nomination Form

This form has been developed to aid an Arrowman in the approval process to run for a section office, as well as provide a description of the duties and expectations.

- **THE PURPOSE OF THE SECTION IS TO SUPPORT THE LODGE.** Therefore, if an Arrowman is needed by his lodge, in a critical position, he should stay with the lodge rather than helping out at the Section level. Just as a Boy Scout Troop should come before the Lodge, so too the Lodge comes before the Section.

- All Officers must be under 21 years of age for the entire term of office.
- If an Arrowman runs for office, he must be prepared to fulfill the office.

Please remember that all candidates **MUST** have the signature of his council's Scout Executive or designee. **ALL FORMS, WITH APPROPRIATE SIGNATURES, MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE SECTION ADVISER BY SATURDAY DINNER AT THE CONCLAVE.** These candidate forms will be accepted at any COC meeting prior to the conclave or via email.

Section Officer Responsibilities:

ATTENDANCE

- Officers of Section C-4 are required to attend all Council of Chiefs meetings, officer meetings, the annual section conclave, the Area Leadership Training Conference, the Area Program Conference, the Central Region Section Officers Seminar and the National Order of the Arrow Program of Emphasis (if applicable).
- The Section Chief is required to attend the national Order of the Arrow Planning Meeting in December.
- Officers are encouraged to attend the as many functions of the C4A Lodges as possible during the year. These are opportunities to strengthen the bonds between the lodges within the section.
- Officers are expected to remain active in their home troop and/or crew.
- Officers must be able to provide their own transportation to all events.

UNIFORMING

- Officers of Section C-4 are required to be in proper, clean Scout uniform whenever representing the Section and/or Order of the Arrow.
- Uniform patches must be placed correctly according to the Scout handbook.

DUTIES

- Most duties are found in the Field Operations Guide (FOG); a copy of this can be found at the National Order of the Arrow website www.oa-bsa.org . Specific duties may be assigned by either the Section Chief or the Council of Chiefs throughout the year.
- All officers are expected to communicate with the Section Adviser or his designee on at least a weekly basis throughout the program year.
- Certain expenses will be reimbursed; the officer must adhere to the Section Expense Policy.

COMMITMENT

- Being a Section Officer is a big commitment. It involves a significant amount of time, energy and travel to perform the duties of the job.
- *Scouting activities are secondary to family, church and school responsibilities.*
- Therefore, if your present responsibilities are time demanding (e.g.: sports teams at school, difficult school classes, heavy family responsibilities, etc.) then you need to consider where the OA fits in to your life **before deciding to run for section office.**
- The Section Chief may not serve simultaneously as a Lodge Chief (or in any other elected position). Therefore, if you have any intention of running for another position, please discuss this with your Lodge Adviser and decide whether you can best serve the OA at this time in the Lodge or in the Section.

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Name _____ Lodge Name/No. _____

Address _____ Cell Phone () _____

_____ Email _____

School & Year _____ Birth date ___ / ___ / ___

Scouting Rank _____ OA Rank (circle) O B V

Conclaves Attended _____ NOACs Attended _____

Section Office Seeking _____

OA positions held (chapter, lodge, section)

Current position in Scouting (other than OA)

Current Unit and Position _____

Reason for wanting to be a Section C4A officer

I understand the obligations of being a Section C-4 Officer. I agree to take an active leadership role if elected, and to fulfill my assigned responsibilities fully and in a timely manner.

Arrowman's Signature _____ Date ___ / ___ / ___

Parent's Signature _____ Date ___ / ___ / ___

I have discussed the obligations with the candidate and believe he fully understands them and will be a positive influence upon the program and the youth of the Order of the Arrow and Scouting in general.

Lodge Adviser Signature _____ Date ___ / ___ / ___

I endorse the candidacy of this youth from my council. I believe he will be a positive influence upon the Scouting program.

Scout Executive Signature _____ Date ___ / ___ / ___

This form must be submitted to the Section Adviser or his designee on or before Saturday dinner at the annual Section C-4 Conclave.