



# 2008 Northwest District OA Unit Elections



Unit elections for Order of the Arrow Candidates for 2008 must be completed between January 1st and April 30th, 2008. Results must be turned in no later than April 30, 2008. Please contact Warren Plaisance if there are problems with scheduling. Election results must be entered both electronically and with paper forms provided. Northwest troops have been paired for visits by election teams. Training and election materials will be provided on January 10th at 6:30 pm at before roundtable. Unit elections will be conducted starting with a video presentation from the National organization.

## The Requirements for Unit Elections are:

The troop must have at least 50% of registered active members present to hold an election (unit leader certifies this). The unit leader certifies which of the troop's youth members are eligible. Pre-printed ballots are recommended.

Youth members must meet the following requirements to be eligible:

- Be under the age of 21 years
- Be an active registered member of a Boy Scout troop
- Be at least a First Class Scout
- Have experienced at least 15 days and 15 nights of Boy Scout camping during the 2 years prior to the election. This must include one, but no more than one long term campout which was at least 6 consecutive days and 5 nights approved and under the auspices and standards of the Boy Scouts of America. The balance of the camping must be overnight, weekend or other short-term camps.
- To be elected to the Order of the Arrow a candidate must receive at least 50% of the votes cast.
- Only registered troop youth members under the age of 21 may vote in the unit elections
- Each voter may vote for any number of eligible candidates on the ballot
- A voter may turn in a blank ballot (indicating a no vote for all eligible candidates)
- Each voter may cast only one ballot
- The vote should not be based on the candidates popularity
- The unit election should be done by secret ballot

Adults may be nominated by the troop committee and meet all the above requirements except First Class rank and age. Only 1 adult may be nominated unless troop exceeds 50 youth members. If unit elects no youth members, unit may not nominate adult

## The following are the troop pairings for the 2008 Unit OA Elections:

Troop paired with	Troop	Troop paired with	Troop
31	186	50	187
63	609	625 (3 unit pairing)	93
150	401	200	266
254	462	167	297 (3 unit pairing)
106	357	419	626
408	416	916	399
902	904 (Troop)		906 Team 938
			906 (Troop)
			Team 904 (3 unit pairing)

Results are submitted to Northwest District Election Advisor Warren Plaisance  
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