

ELSEWHERE CAMP ELECTION PROCEDURES FOR LONGTERM CAMPING

1. Units not registered for a camp at S bar F Scout Ranch will receive an email with a link to a form to schedule their election. If your unit leader did not receive an email, please contact your chapter advisor. Once that form is submitted, chapters will go in and confirm their election. Unit leaders will receive a confirmation email once the election has been scheduled. Units will receive reminder emails before their election and will be asked to provide their candidate info beforehand.
2. Elections must take place in the month of May at a regularly scheduled Unit meeting.
3. Elections will be conducted by the Chapter Adviser and Chapter Chief or their designees. The election team must consist of one adult and one youth from the O.A. and not connected with the unit conducting the election.
4. The unit election must be announced to the unit members for two meetings prior to the election and include the date & location of the election.
5. The election will be conducted under the summer camp election rules and procedures.
6. Election results are to remain confidential until the unit attends camp. Units from the Greater St. Louis Area Council may not participate in another lodge's Pre-ordeal or sleep-out at camp, but may participate in a call-out with written permission. No unit may conduct its own call-out, pre-ordeal or sleep-out.
7. If a unit desires to have its candidates called out at S bar F, this may be done at a Thursday Night ceremony during the regular camp session. If the unit elects to do this, the Ranch Director must be notified at the S bar F Scout Ranch (573-756-5738) at least one week prior to the call-out you wish to attend.
8. All Shawnee Lodge candidates must participate in the sleep-out and pre-ordeal under the auspices of the Shawnee Lodge, either by making arrangements during the summer camp season, or at the Lodge pre-ordeal sleep out hosted by the Shawnee Lodge.
9. Citation & induction fees for these new candidates must be paid by June 15th online. The chapter adviser will provide the link during the unit election.
10. The Ordeal and Induction will be completed at the Fall Reunion held at S bar F Scout Ranch, or Spring Conclave at Beaumont Scout Reservation.

NOTE: For Units attending camp outside the Greater Saint Louis Area Council, the Elsewhere Procedures may not be used by that unit for two consecutive years. For the year following an elsewhere camp*, the Order of the Arrow election must be conducted either **a)** at the S bar F Scout Ranch while the unit is in attendance at long-term summer camp OR **b)** prior to a unit attending Rhodes Frances or Camp Lewallen for long-term summer camp, following these guidelines.

**defined as a camp outside of GSLAC*

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