



## CAMP GERONIMO CHAPLAIN Position Description

### POSITION CONCEPT

The Chaplain conducts or coordinates chapel services and attends to the spiritual and counseling needs of all camp participants and staff. The Chaplain reports to the Camp Director and may live on-site at Camp Geronimo during camp.

### PRINCIPLE RESPONSIBILITIES

- Exemplify the Scout Oath and Law. Support Boy Scouts of America (BSA) policies and the Aims and Methods of Scouting. Strive to provide programs that are exciting, dynamic and appealing to today's youth; that meet the needs of the youth and the units attending camp; and that are fun and safe.
- Work closely with Camp Director, Program Director, Staff Hill Scoutmaster, Camp Commissioner and Camp Health Officer on counseling and health and safety matters.
- Attend monthly pre-camp planning sessions, if possible.
- Assist Camp Director in staff training. Assist in provision of staff training opportunities including staff training weekend, if possible. Obtain all personal training required. Abide by the rules set forth in the most current "Camp Staff Manual".
- Conduct or coordinate chapel services at least twice weekly, usually on Monday and Friday.
- Inform and counsel scouts and staff on religious awards and Chaplain's Aide program. Incorporate Scout's "Duty to God" in programs provided.
- Other duties as assigned by Camp Director.

### Daily Operations

- Make sure each program is presented on time with all materials on hand, ready to go.
- Develop and maintain a program that imparts useful knowledge, that supports the aims and objectives of the Boy Scouts of America, and that is fun, challenging and safe.
- Impress upon all participants that they are only learning some of the basics, and should never attempt activities without experienced, trained supervision and proper safety equipment.
- See that the program area is always clean and efficient.

- Inspect program materials frequently and keep your Camp Director informed of any supplies needed.

### **END OF SEASON**

- Update the Camp Geronimo Program Area Standard Operating Procedures to reflect current program usage and lessons learned
- Ensure all equipment is inventoried and stored properly
- Ensure the Gear Records and Maintenance Logs area up to date
- Write suggested changes, updates, opportunities, and program adjustments for the upcoming year.

### **ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **Required (must be met prior to the start of summer camp)**

- Be at least 21 years of age.
- Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.
- Be a clergyman or seminarian, recognized by his or her church body; or be a person who possesses mature judgment, and is approved by the Scout Executive, with responsibilities not to include “specific ordained responsibilities”, or tasks such as sacraments.

#### **Preferred**

- Possess a valid certificate of training from the Chaplain section of BSA National Camping School, or Council-approved equivalent.
- Certified in American Red Cross CPR/AED, or Council-approved equivalent.
- Certified in American Red Cross Standard First Aid, or Council-approved equivalent.
- Prior chaplain experience.
- Prior BSA experience, residential camp experience, leadership/management of youth and young adults.