

Welcome,

Attached is the Mackinac Island Honor Scout Leadership Application form. As a returning scout to the service camp you are eligible to apply for a leadership position for 2017 if you wish. As always, we will not know the exact dates for 2017 until after the first of the year, but we intend to have leadership selected this Fall, so the SPL can get his team together and start preparations. The regular Scout Application will be coming out after the first of the year when our invitation for 2017 and exact dates have been confirmed.

Please indicate on the form if you wish to be considered for this year's Senior Patrol Leader (SPL). Candidates for SPL will be reviewed by the committee and the SPL will be selected first. After the SPL has been selected the SPL will review the other leadership applications, and make recommendations for all the other leadership positions. This recommendation will be submitted to the Scoutmaster and committee for approval. Please note that only those scouts indicating they wish to run for Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) will be considered for Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (ASPL) positions. If you are interested in being a Patrol Leader (PL), Assistant Patrol Leader (APL), Post Quartermaster, Post Chaplains Aide, Post Scribe, Post Bugler, or have earned the rank of Eagle and wish to apply for membership of the Aux patrol you must complete this application.

Each year, there are many applications for the limited number of leadership positions. With so many qualified Scouts in the honor guard, it can be tough to select which scouts will get a leadership position. We understand that some scouts maybe disappointed, but with a limited number of positions not everyone will get a position.

Selection will be based on:

- Scouts experience/qualifications/demonstrated leadership
- Prior years of service to MISSC
- Prior MISSC leadership/detail leadership
- Troop Leadership experience
- BSA Youth Leadership Training courses
- Other leadership training or positions outside of Boy Scouts
- Prior conduct at MISSC & Scoutmaster Recommendation
- Committee interview (SPL)

The Mackinac Island Honor Scout Leadership Applications & MISSC Scout Application with \$100 Deposit need to be submitted to:

Jason Clark – Committee Chair
117 Honey Creek Ave NE
Ada, MI 49301
Jasonclark117@gmail.com

Applications must be received No later than Wednesday November 30, 2016. Incomplete applications will be rejected. Applications must include all the following items to be considered complete and eligible for consideration:

- Leadership Application form Completed Electronically
- MISSC 2017 Application form completed electronically
- Check for the MISSC \$100 deposit
- Additional leadership statements attached (as needed)

Candidates that have been approved to proceed with interviews for Senior Patrol Leader will be notified the week of December 5th. After the SPL has been selected and his selections for leaderships positions have been approved, scouts selected for leadership positions will be contacted directly by the SPL.

Thank you,
Jason Clark – MISSC Committee Chair

2017 Mackinac Island Scout Service Camp Leadership Position Application

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Scout Email: _____ Parent email: _____

Age: _____ Birthdate: _____ Current Scout Rank: _____

Troop No: _____ Current Troop Leadership Position: _____

Previous Troop Leadership Positions: _____

Number of years you previously attended MISSC (full week): _____

Previous Duties at MISSC (flag details, positions, etc) _____

Previous MISSC Youth Leadership, PLC and Flag Duty Leadership Positions: _____

Leadership Training courses (Scout AND non-Scout) _____

Do you wish to be considered for Senior Patrol Leader or Assistant Senior Patrol Leadership? _____

If yes to above, please attach an additional statement to this application. This statement should include details of your qualifications, experience and reasons you wish to be considered to lead the MISSC West Michigan contingent.

MISSC Leadership Positions desired: Senior Patrol Leader (SPL), Patrol Leader (PL), Assistant Patrol Leader (APL), Aux Patrol membership, Post Scribe, Post Quartermaster, Post Historian, Post Chaplains Aide, or Post Bugler. Please see attached page for more detailed descriptions of the leadership positions

List your two choices (SPL, PL, etc)

1st Choice	2nd Choice

Q1) For your first choice, use this space to explain why you want this position, how you would execute the job, steps you would take and why you feel you are the best choice for this position.

Q2) What is your vision of excellent youth leadership for MISSC? What does this look like, and how would you try to achieve this? How would you convince other scouts to follow you? (Please Explain in detail)

Please feel free to attach additional statements as you feel necessary to explain your qualifications, experience and reasons you wish to be considered for the leadership position.

Parents Support Agreement

I agree with the commitment my son is making. I promise to support him in attending training, MISSC meetings, and MISSC activities as well as with encouragement at home. I realize that once selected, his presence is necessary for the smooth functioning of the contingent.

(Signature)

(Date)

Scout's Agreement

I understand the job descriptions for these positions. I understand the duties and responsibilities and if selected will carry them out to the best of my ability.

(Signature)

(Date)

Scoutmaster's Recommendation

Candidates need to discuss application for MISSC leadership positions with their Scoutmaster prior to submittal of the application for youth leadership at MISSC. The Scoutmaster's signature requirement on this form has been removed to expedite the application process, the applicant only needs to fill out the contact information below and the MISSC committee will contact the scoutmaster to discuss their recommendation of the candidate.

Scoutmaster Name

Scoutmaster Phone No.

Scoutmaster Email Address

MISSC Youth Leadership Positions

Senior Patrol Leader (SPL)

The senior patrol leader is the top leader of the contingent. He is responsible for the overall operation of the MISSC contingent. He takes charge of the patrol leaders' council, and does everything he can to help each patrol be successful. He is responsible for MISSC program planning conferences and conducting training. The senior patrol leader presides over the patrol leaders' council and works closely with each patrol leader. The SPL is responsible for the planning and operation of the contingent, assigning tasks and insuring tasks are completed. The SPL is also the single point of contact for the contingent for park staff, adult leadership, and other groups. The SPL bears tremendous responsibility and is responsible for making many decisions that can directly lead to the success or failure of the contingent. As such the SPL is generally not assigned specific post duties due to their workload leading the entire contingent.

Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (ASPL)

The assistant senior patrol leaders are senior youth leaders who work closely with the senior patrol leader to help the contingent and serves as acting senior patrol leader when the senior patrol leader is absent. Among his specific duties, the assistant senior patrol leader trains and provides direction to the post quartermaster, post scribe, post historian, and other leadership positions. Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders are also responsible for policing the scout barracks for safety issues, performing fire drill training/instruction, and planning evening activities for scouts. Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders are full voting members of the Patrol Leaders Council. The ASPLs are generally not assigned specific post duties and help fill in to cover gaps as needed. **Selection of final Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders will be made only from the pool of candidates that applied for SPL.**

Patrol Leader (PL)

The patrol leader is the top leader of a patrol. He represents the patrol at all patrol leaders' council meetings and keeps patrol members informed of decisions made. He plays a key role in planning, leading, and evaluating the patrols performance and activities before and during the MISSC. The patrol leader is responsible for leading their patrol, assisting members, mentoring, and helping bring patrol members up to the standards of the MISSC. He involves patrol members in activities, duties and activities by assigning them specific tasks and responsibilities. He encourages patrol members and sets a good example.

Assistant Patrol Leader (APL)

The assistant patrol leader is second in command of the patrol. He represents the patrol and manages the patrol when the patrol leader is not present. During PLC meetings the APL is typically left in charge of the patrol. However if the Patrol Leader is unable to attend the PLC then the APL becomes the acting Patrol Leader and represents the patrol as a full voting member of the PLC. The APL encourages patrol members, helps train new members, sets a good example and provides additional leadership for the patrol.

Auxiliary Patrol Member (Aux Patrol)

Members of the auxiliary patrol or Aux Patrol are seasoned MISSC veterans who have provided several years of prior service to the MISSC and have also achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Membership is voluntary. Aux Patrol members are responsible for providing instruction/training to younger scouts before and during the MISSC similar to those duties of a troop instructor or troop guide. Aux patrol members are non-voting members of the PLC and are generally not assigned specific post duties, but help fill in to provide service to cover duties anywhere the SPL needs assistance. **Aux Patrol Members must have already attained the Rank of Eagle Scout when they apply.**

Post Quartermaster

The Post Quartermaster is the MISSC contingent's supply boss. He keeps an inventory of all borrowed troop equipment, MISSC equipment and/or borrowed equipment. He verifies that the gear is in good condition, maintains check in/out lists for applicable equipment and notes any damages. He takes leadership of the logistical aspect of the equipment getting to the MISSC. The post quartermaster is responsible for overseeing the loading/unloading of the gear from vehicles, bus, ferry, trailer, transport drays and for insuring the return of all equipment to its owners after MISSC. Quartermaster is a voting member of the PLC and is responsible for reporting on the status of equipment, replacements, repairs, etc. to the PLC at each meeting.

Post Scribe

The scribe is the secretary of the PLC committee. Though not a voting member, he attends all of the patrol leaders' council meetings (before, during and after MISSC) and keeps a record of the discussions. Post Scribe is also responsible for updating and maintaining the scout barracks white board.

Post Chaplain Aide

The post chaplain aide assists in serving the religious needs of the troop. He ensures that meal blessings and other events are planned and performed.

Post Bugler

The post bugler plays the bugle (or a similar instrument) to mark key moments during the day. These can include reveille, lights out, flag detail, flag retirement and other calls. He must know the required bugle calls and should ideally have earned the Bugling merit badge.