



A Patrol Leader is a big job which can be broken down into a couple of different buckets.

PLC Meetings

As Patrol Leader, either you or your Assistant Patrol Leader should be at every PLC meeting. If for some reason you can't attend, you need to find someone who can take your place. At the PLC, you will be asked to report on past and future activities. In other words, if your patrol will be in charge of program in the next 3 months, be prepared to talk about what you plan to do. If a patrol outing or camp-out is coming up, be prepared to answer questions about what your patrol has planned.



You are also expected to **pay attention** to the other boys as they report and as we go through new and old business. You must **take excellent notes** – pretend you will be tested at the end because, guess what! You will be. There are certain items called **Call Items**. These items are particularly important and you are expected to share them with your patrol. The best way to share these items is to send an e-mail immediately after the PLC meeting with the call items. If your members don't have e-mail addresses, then you should call them. You should also remind your patrol about the items at the next patrol meeting.

Hint – at the end of the PLC, the Senior Patrol Leader will ask one or more boys to read the call items. Don't be caught looking dumb because you weren't listening and didn't write one down.

Patrol Meetings

At Patrol Meetings, you are in charge of your patrol. That may mean keeping your patrol members focused and respectful during the program. It includes making sure one of your members completes the attendance sheet for your patrol. You are also responsible for running Patrol Corners. This time is set aside each meeting to handle patrol business. You might choose an outing or decide on a camping experience. You should also remind the boys of any call items.

When your patrol is in charge of meetings or is service patrol, it is your job to make sure that all your members know their jobs and are present to take care of them. This means lots of e-mail and phone call reminders.