



New Scout Tip: What is the PLC

You should hear the term “PLC” frequently, as it is the elected representatives and leaders of the troop. The Patrol Leaders' Council, or PLC, is responsible for planning and conducting the troop's activities. Strong troops are run by the Scouts with guidance and advice from the adults serving the Scouts. The PLC, which is **elected by the troop every six months**, meets in June to plan the entire scouting year as well as once a month to fine-tune plans for the month ahead.

Each patrol is represented on the PLC by their patrol leader. Therefore, it is important that the patrol leader is aware of questions, ideas, etc. among the patrol so they can best represent all patrol members at the PLC meeting.

The PLC is made up of:

- Senior Patrol Leader (SPL)
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (ASPL)
- Patrol Leaders
 - Assistant Patrol Leaders can fill in for Patrol Leaders
- Other positions of responsibility (e.g. Scribe, Quartermaster, etc.)

Although not on the PLC, the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters offer advice and guidance as well as work to provide any resources requested by the PLC to execute the PLC plans.