

The Role of an Adult

Through the Eyes of a Youth

Lodge Leadership Development



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Introduction

- Name
- Lodge
- Position in the OA
- Question about the role of an adviser
- And/or a unique experience about an interaction with an adviser



An adviser's piece of the puzzle

The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.



The adviser

To accomplish this mission, the relationship between youth and adult members in the Order of the Arrow is critical. The foundation of any successful chapter or lodge is a strong relationship between youth officers and adult advisers. Without a strong relationship, an officer and adviser will not be able to build a strong leadership team.



In short

The Order of the Arrow is youth
led and adult guided.



Definition

advise (Merriam Webster)

- to give (someone) a recommendation about what should be done
- caution, warn
- to give information or notice to

Essentially – an adviser is designed to be a coach, mentor, and teacher to help youth achieve their goals and operate a successful program.



An adviser's contributions

- Serve as a positive role model
- Set the example of core values
- Teach effective communication
- Mentor through example
- Help set expectations
- Provide perspective



Activity!



Types of advisers

- Lodge adviser <<name>>
 - Staff adviser <<name>>
 - Associate adviser <<name>>
 - Chapter adviser <<name>>
- There are advisers at every level of the organization!



Video





Debrief

- What were your thoughts?
 - Where did you identify examples of the youth-adult relationship?
 - Who would have been the example of the youth and of the adviser?



Advisers

They've been there, and they
know the way out.



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