Guidelines for Candidate election to the local Lodge of the Order of the Arrow

The requirement for an election to be valid is at least 50% of registered youth must be present. If you do not have enough scouts present, we can not hold elections.

Requirements for the youth candidate:
- Registered member of the BSA
- First class scout at the time of the election
- 15 days & nights of camping in the past 2 years, with not more than 6 at a long term BSA camp, such as summer camp, Philmont, Sea Base, Northern Tier, National Jamboree.
- Scoutmaster approval.
- Have enough votes generated during the unit election conducted by the approved Chapter Unit Election Team.

Requirements for the adult candidate:
- Must be a registered member of the BSA.
- One adult may be nominated if at least one youth member was elected during this year’s unit election.
- Must have 15 days and nights camping within the past two years, with not more than 6 at a long term BSA camp, such as summer camp, Philmont, Sea Base, Northern Tier, National Jamboree.
- Must have the approval of the unit’s committee.
- Must be approved by the “Adult Selection Committee” of the Mawat Woakus Lodge of the Order of the Arrow.

To complete the paperwork, it will be very helpful to us if you have the name, address, phone number and present rank ready when we arrive. Some Scoutmasters provide the information in advance so we can have the paperwork ready when we get there, allowing for a rapid return to normal troop activity after the election is completed. An adult may be nominated if at least one scout is elected. If someone in your troop is eligible as an adult, a separate form is completed and requires the unit leader and committee chairman’s signatures. We don’t routinely announce the election results to the unit. That is usually announced in the call outs at summer camp.