

Changes to the Youth Policy

1.7.1.1 To encourage the education of youth about the SCA, Medieval and Renaissance history; and the participation of our minors in age appropriate activities, to provide activities for children and teens and to help parts make their children an active and vital part of the SCA. To coordinate and work with Autocrats and their volunteers to provide and/or organize classes, activities, and opportunities for young people to become more involved with the SCA, without providing "baby-sitting" or "day-care" services.

1.7.2.5 To develop programs and policies to assist officers in welcoming the youth of Atlantia to the Kingdom and the SCA and provide support to those officers in the form of support and resource materials.

1.7.2.9 To maintain a current warrant roster of all said warranted Chancellors Minor and Children Officers-at-large in Atlantia.

[ReNUMBER/Move 1.7.2.9.1 and all subparagraphs to 1.7.2.9.2]

[Change 1.7.2.9.1 and sub-paragraphs to as follows:]

1.7.2.9.1 Deputy Chancellor of Youth

1.7.2.9.1.1 The Deputy Chancellor of Youth serves as a deputy to the Chancellor of Youth and should work closely with that office regarding educational programs for youth.

1.7.2.9.1.2 Warrants

1.7.2.9.1.2.1 The Deputy Chancellor of Youth must be at least 18 years of age and a paid member of the SCA.

1.7.2.9.1.2.2 To receive a warrant, a signed warrant request must be sent to the Chancellor of Youth. The warrant request form can be located on the Chancellor of Youth page on Atlantia's web site.

1.7.2.9.1.2.3 A completed back ground check must be returned and approved by Society.

1.7.2.9.1.2.4 The Deputy Chancellors of Youth will be expected to attend scheduled training sessions (University, Unevent, etc.) with the Chancellor of Youth Activities as appropriate. He/she may send a representative with a written proxy with the permission of the Chancellor of Youth.

1.7.2.9.1.3 Reporting

1.7.2.9.1.3.1 It is the duty of the Deputy Chancellor of Youth to keep the Chancellor of Youth Activities informed of local developments related to children's programming and activities through regular reports. The reporting schedule shall be the same as that of the seneschal (quarterly by the 15th of January for October-December reporting, April for January-March reporting, July for April-June reporting, October for July-September reporting.) If there is no activity related to youth programming during a specific period, specify such in the report. All reports (hard copy or electronic) must include the information as required for the seneschal's report, with the focus on children's activities. Specifically, to ensure that activity in regards to the Page Program is being properly reported.

1.7.2.9.1.3.2 It is the duty of the Deputy Chancellor of Youth to ensure that reports that have been submitted to them by Children Officers at large are properly forwarded to the local Seneschal affected by the report to assist that seneschal with meeting their reporting requirements.

1.7.2.9.1.4 Duties of the Deputy Chancellor of Youth

1.7.2.9.1.4.1 To assist the Chancellor of Youth with keeping local officers notified of relevant changes to the office, and facilitate communication between all of the other offices.

1.7.2.9.1.4.2 To assist the Chancellor of Youth with providing support and resource materials to youth officers.

1.7.2.9.1.4.3 To manage and support the Kingdom's Page Program, while ensuring the program enhances the Kingdom's Youth Activities Program.

1.7.2.9.1.4.3.1 To be the Kingdom level point of contact for Page class instructors, Chancellors Minor, parents, Pages and the populace for guidance and coordination to ensure the facilitation of Page classes, activities, inductions and events.

1.7.2.9.1.4.3.2 To provide current information, support and guidance about the Kingdom's Page Program to Chancellors Minor, instructors, members, newcomers, prospective members and the general public.

1.7.2.9.2.2.4 All Chancellors Minor will be expected to attend scheduled training sessions (University, Unevent, etc.) with the Chancellor of Youth Activities as appropriate. He/she may send a representative with a written proxy with the permission of the Chancellor of Youth. Chancellors Minor are also expected to run activities at events for the youth of the Kingdom on at least four (4) occasions

during their two (2) year tenure and at least two (2) activities at events for each year their warrant is renewed.

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[New] 1.7.2.9.3 Children Officers at large

1.7.2.9.3.1 Warrants

1.7.2.9.3.1.2 All Children Officers at large must be at least 16 years of age and a paid member of the SCA.

1.7.2.9.3.1.3 Children Officers at large are not warranted officers, but they are volunteers within the Kingdom that assist Chancellors Minor and the Chancellor of Youth with facilitating activities for the youth within Society and the Kingdom.

1.7.2.9.3.1.4 A completed back ground check must be returned and approved by Society.

1.7.2.9.3.1.5 All Children Officers at large are strongly encouraged to attend scheduled training sessions (University, Unevent, etc.) with the Chancellor of Youth Activities as appropriate.

1.7.2.9.3.2 Reporting

1.7.2.9.3.2.1 It is the duty of all Children Officers—at-large to report any children's programming and activities that they have facilitated by sending a report within 10 days of the activity to the Chancellor of Youth Activities, who will ensure the information is forwarded to the appropriate local Seneschal. All reports (hard copy or electronic) must include the information as required for the seneschal's report, with the focus on children's activities.

1.7.2.9.3.4 Local Duties of Children Officers-at-large

1.7.2.9.3.4.1 To encourage the education of Atlantian youth in Medieval and Renaissance history, and encourage their participation in the SCA through coordinating with Kingdom Youth Officers, event autocrats, and their youth

activities event volunteers on the provision of age-appropriate, historically interesting activities, within the normal policies pertaining to Children's Activities.

1.7.2.9.3.4.2 To assist the Chatelaine's office in the organization of demonstrations geared towards children and families.

1.7.2.9.3.4.3 To provide current information about the Kingdom's youth programs to members, newcomers, prospective members, and the general public.

[New] 1.7.3.12 Children should be encouraged to participate in age appropriate activities. Dance, performing, embroidery and other arts, archery, boffer fighting, water bearing and volunteering as list runners, pages, servers and kitchen help are some activities that minors, depending on age and maturity, can do. Adults running these and other activities should welcome youth in to these activities as long as the minor can follow safety and behavior guidelines.

[Replace the term Children's Corner with Children's Activities in 1.7.4 through 1.7.4.3 and all sub-paragraphs]

1.7.4.1.1 A "Coordinator" is the volunteer selected by the event autocrat to run Children's Activities at a specific event. This individual shall be at least 18 years of age and shall wear a name tag or other item that clearly identifies them as the Coordinator. The Coordinator shall communicate with the Chancellor of Youth or the Deputy Chancellor of Youth to be sure they know the current policies of the office regarding Children's Activities and kingdom law regarding minors are carried out.

1.7.4.1.2 The coordinator of the youth activity is not required to have a background check, though at least one "checked" officer must be present during any scheduled youth activity. The presence of a checked officer fulfills the "two-deep" Society requirement, as long as the individuals are not related or living in the same household.

1.7.4.1.3 There may be a helper present with the Coordinator during the open hours of the Children's Activities. These helpers must be at least fourteen years old. Helpers cannot be left in charge of the Children's Activities. All helpers need to wear identifying name tags or other items that clearly identify them as associated with helping at the Children's Activities.

1.7.4.1.10 Coordinators must use a sign-in/out sheet for children. (See the form at www.youth.atlantia.sca.org.) No child can participate without having their parent/older responsible party signing them in and out.