



Brotherhood Letter Guide

Order of the Arrow Obligation

I do hereby promise, on my honor as a Scout, that I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow, Wimachtendienk Wingolauchsik Witahemui.

I will always regard the ties of brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting, and will seek to preserve a cheerful spirit, even in the midst of irksome tasks and weighty responsibilities, and will endeavor, so far as in my power lies, to be unselfish in service and devotion to the welfare of others.

From the *Order of the Arrow Handbook*

Some OA Ideals

Just a few of the ideals illustrated in the Ordeal

Brotherhood
Cheerfulness
Service

Self-reliance and courage
Thoughtful silence (thinking before acting)
Willingness to work
Self-sacrifice

Sample Letter Format

Dear Chapter (or Lodge) Secretary:

To me, the Obligation means ...

I try to fulfill the Obligation in my troop and my life by ...

Something I learned through the Ordeal that helps me fulfill the Obligation is ...

(explain how you practice one of the ideals of the Ordeal)

As a Brotherhood member, I plan to serve Noquet Lodge by ...

Sincerely,