

# Roundtable

21 October 2020

# How to Keep Youth Active in Scouting During COVID

<https://youtu.be/PMIpfHvYcuY>

# **Merit badges that can be worked on while at home during Coronavirus outbreak.**

- As always discuss your interest in a merit badge with your scoutmaster before starting a new merit badge.
- Most of these will require online research during this time so be sure you have completed your Cyber Chip first.
- Remember to always use a speaker phone when talking with a counselor with a parent present or copy parent or another leader into any emails you send regarding merit badges.
- Do not adopt or buy a pet/animal just to complete a merit badge if you don't plan to keep it. –  
Remember some requirements require supervision so ask a parent or counselor about these before you start.

# No outside requirements:

- \*American Business
- \*Animation
- \*Basketry
- \*Collections
- \*Electricity
- \*Electronics
- \*Energy
- \*Entrepreneurship
- \*Family Life
- \*Fingerprinting
- \*Genealogy
- \*Home Repairs
- \*Model Design and Building

- \*Nature
- \*Painting
- \*Personal Fitness (requires MD visit but yearly physical would cover this)
- \*Personal Management
- \*Photography - but shots might be limited
- \*Plumbing
- \*Programming
- \*Reptile and Amphibian Study
- \*Wood Carving

# Can be done with no outside requirements depending on options chosen:

\*American Heritage - #2 Choose 2 options if you choose 2c it could be done over the phone, skype, or family members you can visit. #4 choose 2 options a & c could be done by online research if you choose 4b avoid visit or see if there are virtual tours available. 4d would have to be done at a later date, 4e would have to be done at a later date

\*Animal Science - depending on what type of farm visit you do it might have to occur at a later date, The Avian option has a option to do this through videos

\*Archaeology - #7 choose 2 if you choose option A you will need to do at a later date, #8 choose 1 option A will have to be set for a future date, #9 choose 1 option A will have to be done at a later date

\*Astronomy - #8 all options would have to be done at a future date

\*Bird Study - If you have a variety of birds in your neighborhood/yard. #8 choose 1 option A would have to be at a later date

\*Chemistry - #7 Choose 1 Option A, C, D would have to be at a later date

\*Citizenship in the World - #7 choose 2 option c could be done online through email/skype etc, option d & e would have to be done at a later date

- \*Coin collecting - #10 choose 1 option d is the only one what can be done without being in the community, also might be hard to get all the coins needed if not going into the community but is possible
- \*Digital Technologies - #8 do two options d&c would have to be done at later date, #9 do one option b would have to be done at later date
- \*Drafting - #6 choose 1 option A would have to be done at a later date
- \*Emergency Preparedness - #7 work with councilor to figure out how to complete
- \*Leatherwork - #5 choose 1 option d would have to be done at a later date
- \*Moviemaking - #3 choose 1 option 1 would have to occur at a later date
- \*Nuclear Science - #3 choose 1 option A would have to be done at later date, #4 choose 2 option D would have to be done at a later date, #5 Choose 1 option c would have to be done at a later date
- \*Pets - #4 A & B might have to be done at a later date
- \*Pulp and Paper - #7choose 1 all options besides e would have to be done at a later date
- \*Railroading - #8 choose 1 option A could be done without outside exposure option b would require at least part to be done at a later date

- \*Reading - #4 could read to younger children if family, read to those listed over skype, or other method, record your own books/magazines and send to those listed, or can be done at a later time, check with your counselor on how you can meet this requirement
- \*Robotics - #6 choose 1 option A would have to be done later
- \*Safety - #4 would have to use photos or other options to complete or do at later date, #6 project should be home or talk with counselor about possible other locations that would be safe
- \*Sculpture - #2 choose 2 option c would have to be done later or possibly online tour
- \*Soil and Water Conservation - #7 Choose 2 option a would have to be done at later date
- \*Stamp Collecting - #7 choose 2 option b would have to be done at a later time
- \*Sustainability - Several options can include community but could be done without community
- \*Textile - #3 choose 2 option A would have to be done at a later date

**Depending on counselor outside requirement might be ok to be done as on online virtual tour:**

\*Art - #6 will have to be done at a later date or check with counselor about an online tour

**Nova and Supernova Awards** - Several Achievements could worked on during this time especially the 3 hours of reading or watching videos about the topic,

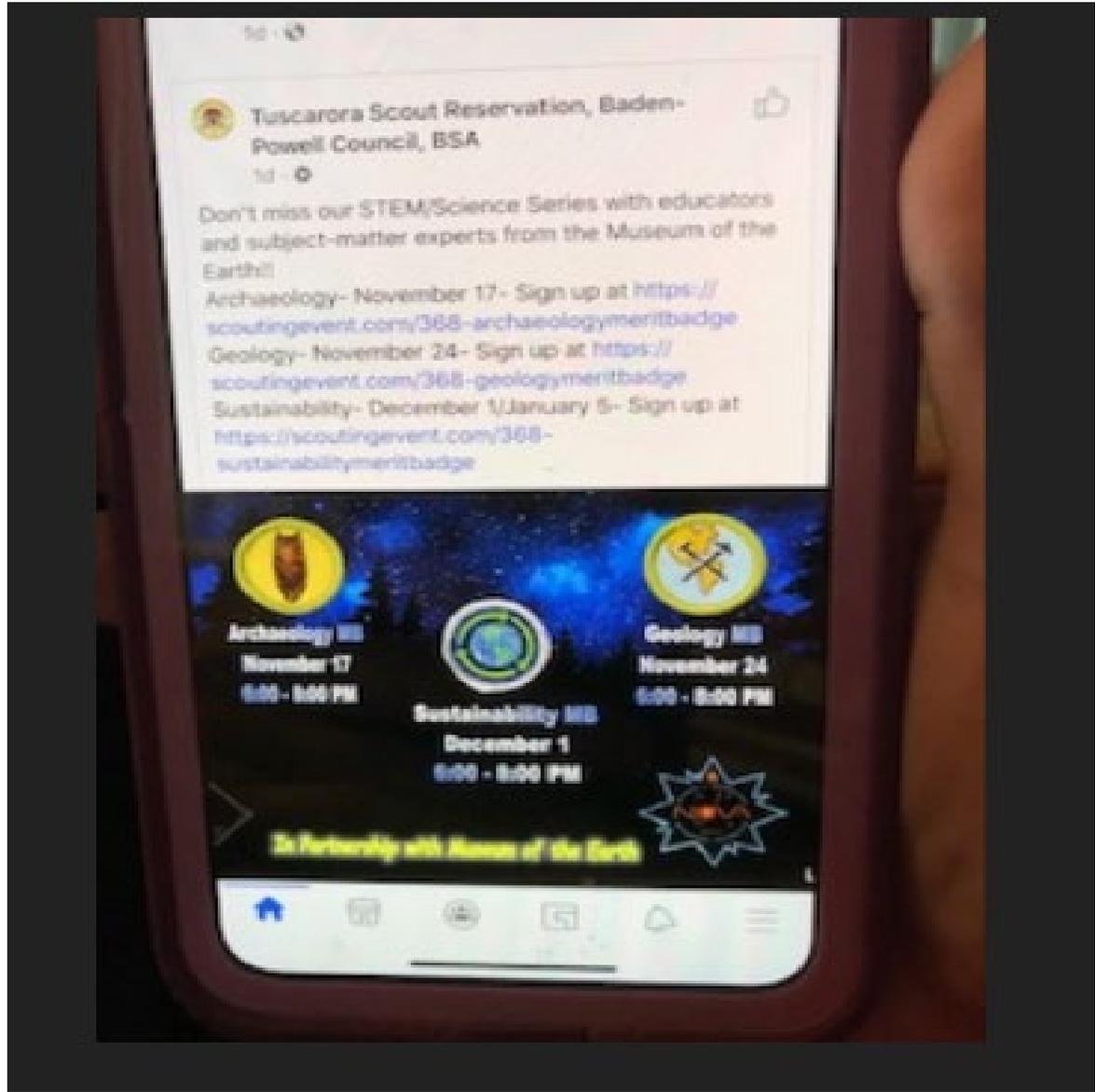
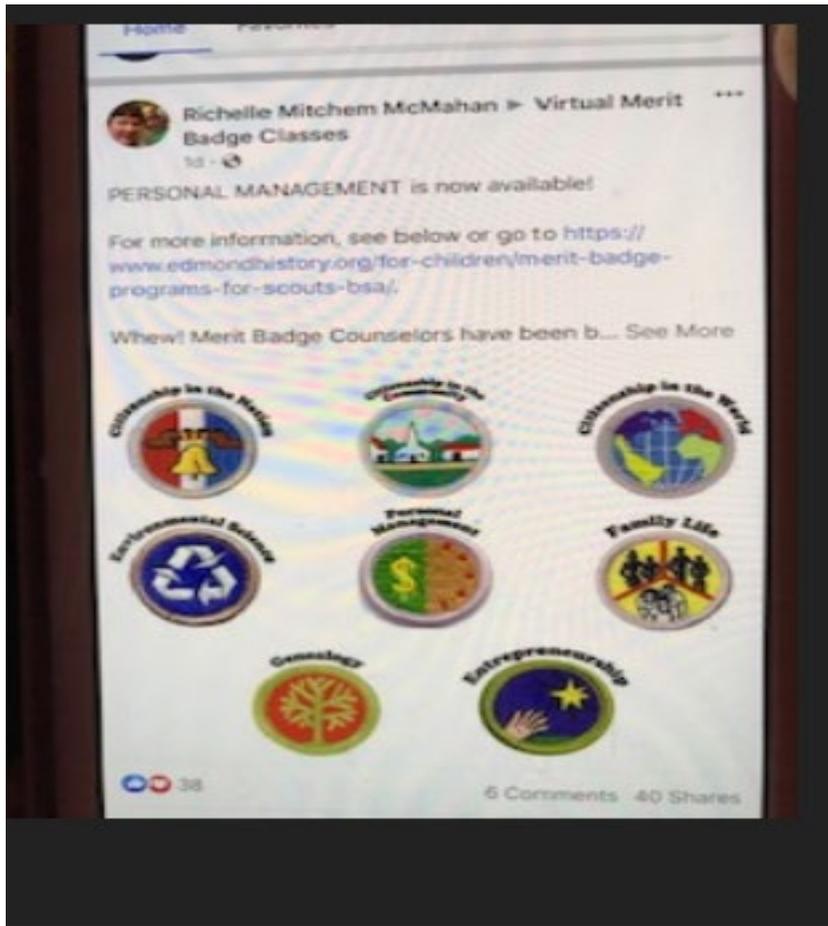
**Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award** - requirements 1- 4 can be completed and #5 completed at a later date.

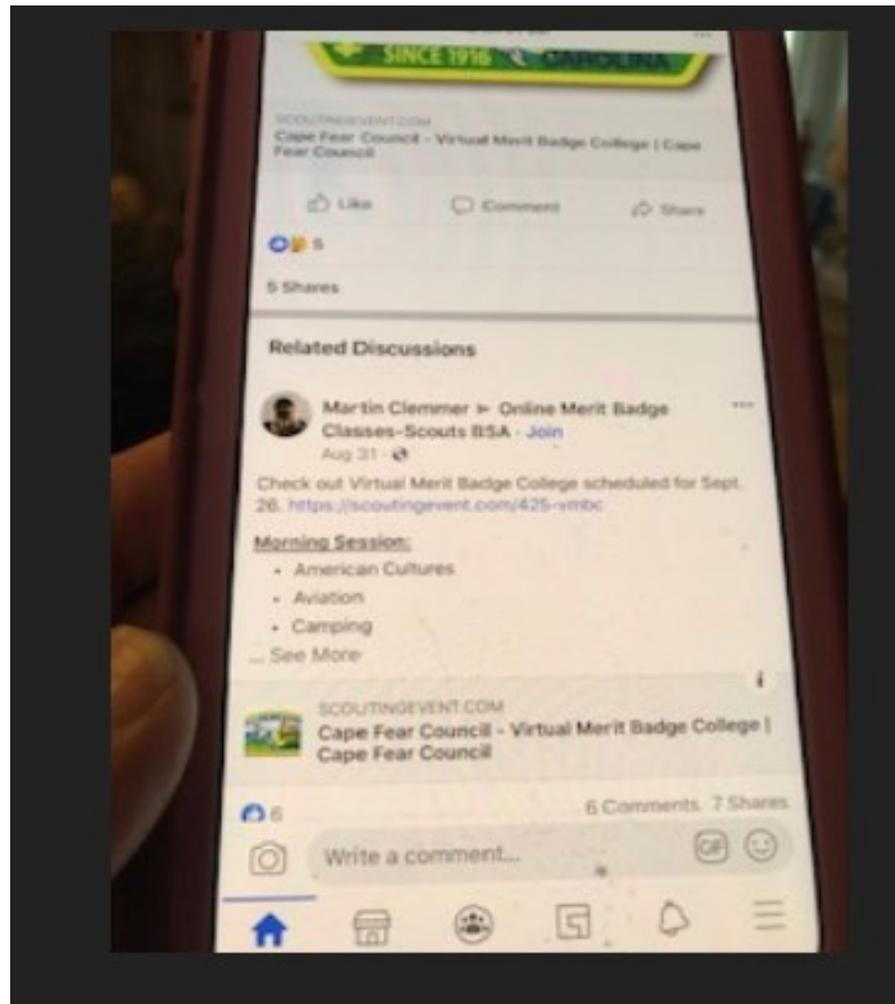
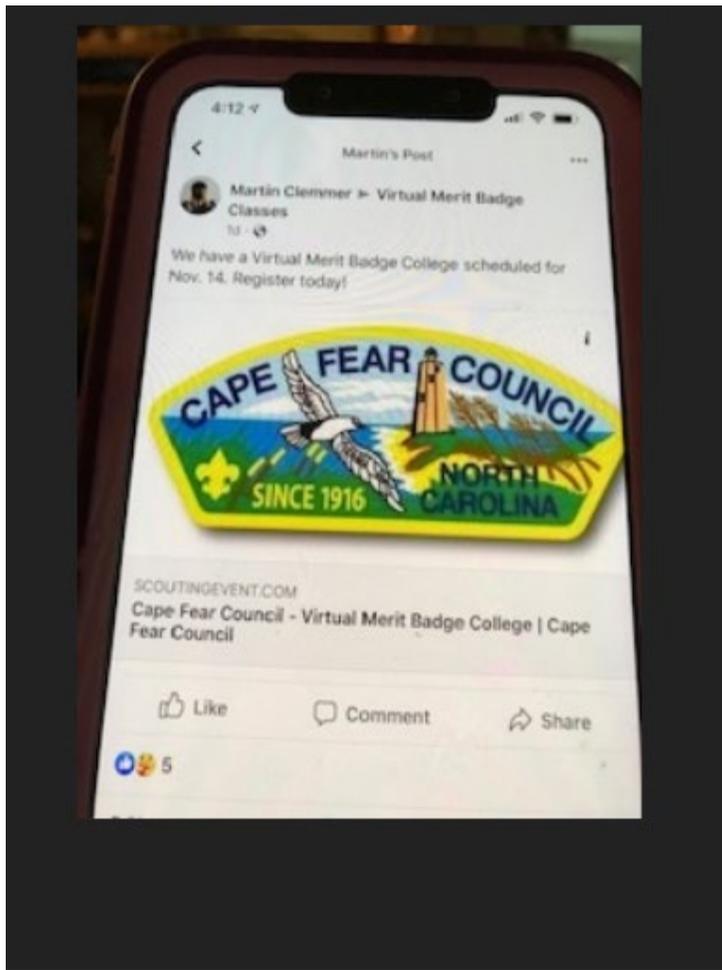
**Various religious emblems could be worked on.**

## **Has a requirement that would have to be completed once safe to join community events:**

- \*American Labor - #2 would have to be done at a later date
- \*Bugling - could learn skills needed and then serve once meeting resume
- \*Composite materials - Work with councilor on how to set date and time for projects
- \*Cooking - camping and trail section to be done at a later date
- \*Dog care - #8 would have to be done at a later date
- \*Fire Safety - #10 B & C could possibly be done from home or at a future campout, #11 would have to be done at a later date
- \*Gardening - #5 would have to be done at a later date
- \*Medicine - #7 Should be done when threat of exposure to illnesses are at a minimum
- \*Public Health (Might be an interesting one to do now) - #5 would have to be done at a later date
- \*Radio - #7 would have to be done at a later date, also might be had/expensive if family doesn't have the equipment need
- \*Signs, Signals, and Code - #7 would have to be done at a later date
- \*Soil and Water Conservation - #7 would have to be done at a later date
- \*Weather - #9 choose 1 option b would have to be done at a later time, #10 would have to be done at a later date







See more

## Stuck at Home? These 12 Famous Museums Offer Virtual Tours ...

<https://www.travelandleisure.com/.../museums-with...>

- British Museum, London. This iconic museum located in the heart of ...
- Guggenheim Museum, New York. Google's Street View feature lets ...
- National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. This famous American art ...
- Musée d'Orsay, Paris. You can virtually walk through this popular ...



## 30 Amazing Virtual Tours of Museums, Zoos, and Theme Parks ...

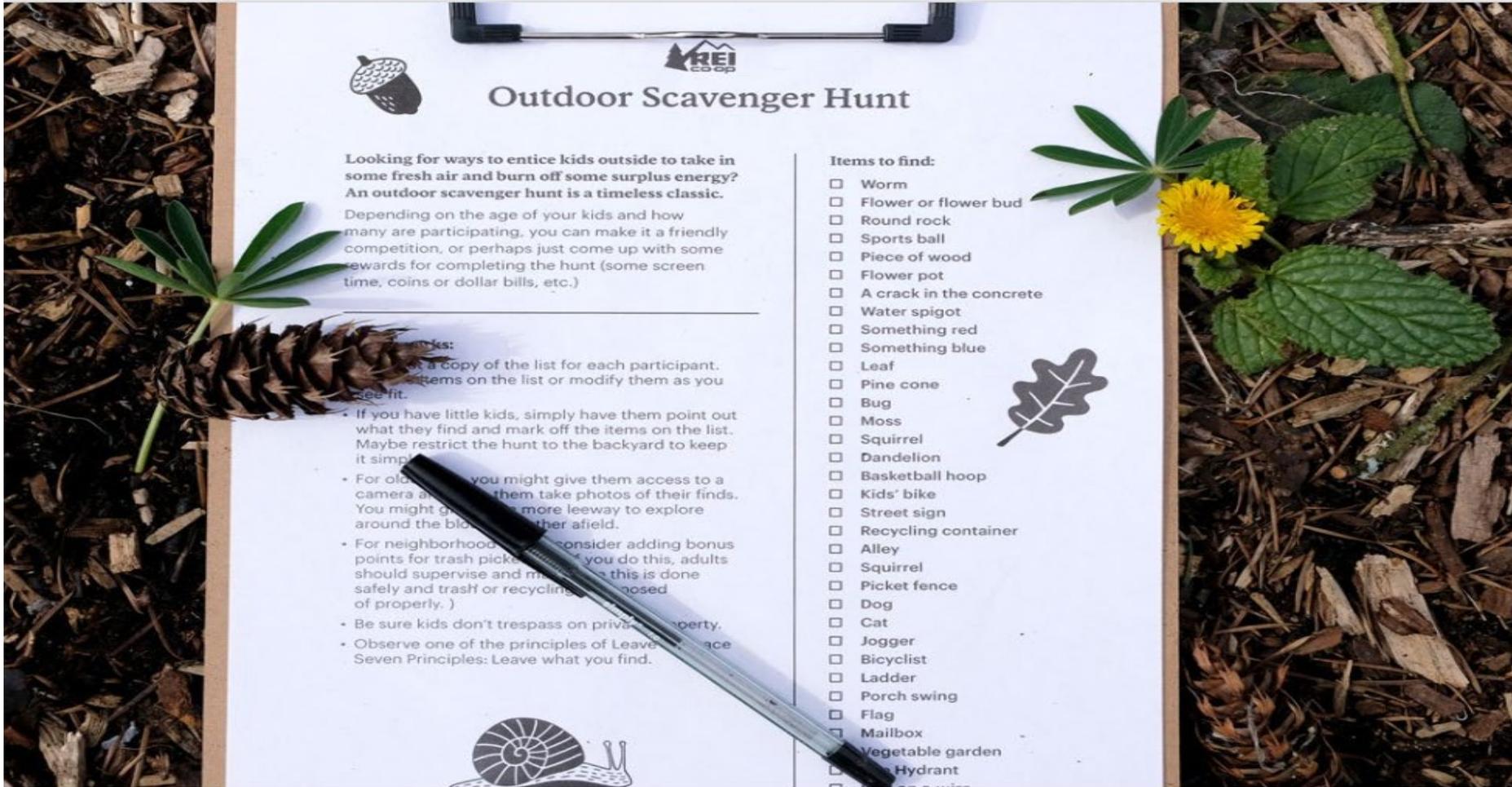
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Author: Katie Bourque

- The Louvre: You don't have to book a ticket to Paris to check out ...
- Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum: The works of Pablo Picasso, Piet ...
- Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History: Move at your ...
- Van Gogh Museum: You can get up close and personal with the ...



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Home / Hike

# Outdoor Scavenger Hunt for Kids

# Welcome to my.Scouting

New to Scouting or don't have an account?

Creating a My.Scouting account allows access to various tools to help manage your involvement in Scouting, including your youth.

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CREATE ACCOUNT



Login to my.Scouting

LOGIN

[Forgot username / password?](#)

OR

Sign in

Sign in with Apple



Using Google or Apple Login



### Training Courses by Program

[Click here for a list of position requirements.](#)



Cub Scouting



Scouts BSA



Venturing



Sea Scouts



Exploring Youth



Exploring Adult



Position Specific Training



Expanded Learning (includes Hazardous Weather)



## Scouts BSA Learning Plans - Select your Positions

S11 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) is an outdoor classroom training required for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters to be classified as Position Trained. Contact your local District/Council for information on the next IOLS course offering.



### SCOUTMASTER & ASSISTANT

#### Scouts BSA - Scoutmaster Position Specific Training

Learning Plan ⓘ

Total time: 192m

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Description ▾



### MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR

#### Scouts BSA - Merit Badge Counselor Position Specific Training

Learning Plan ⓘ

Total time: 34m

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Description ▾



### TROOP COMMITTEE CHAIR

#### Scouts BSA - Troop Committee Chair - Position Specific Training

Learning Plan ⓘ

Total time: 115m

Scouts BSA

Description ▾



# SCOUTS BSA POSITION TRAINED REQUIREMENTS

## SCOUTMASTER & ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER

### BEFORE 1ST MEETING

SCO_481	SCOUTING ORGANIZATION	12:20
SCO_472	AIMS & METHODS OF SCOUTS BSA	8:30
SCO_479	ROLE OF THE UNIT KEY 3	7:00
SCO_480	ROLES OF SCOUTMASTER & SP LEADERS	13:00
SCO_484	TROOP MEETING	10:10
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 50:30 MIN</b>

### FIRST 30 DAYS

SCO_478	PATROL METHOD	10:00
SCO_471	ADVANCEMENT	10:00
SCO_477	PATROL LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING	11:00
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 31 MIN</b>

### FIRST 60 DAYS

SCO_476	OUTDOOR PROGRAMS	10:00
SCO_482	TROOP COMMITTEE	14:00
SCO_485	SCOUTS BSA UNIFORMS	11:30
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 35:30 MIN</b>

### POSITION TRAINED

SCO_473	ANNUAL TROOP PROGRAM PLANNING	14:00
SCO_474	INTRODUCTION TO MERIT BADGES	8:00
SCO_475	OUTDOOR ETHICS	7:30
SCO_800	HAZARDOUS WEATHER TRAINING	31:00
SCO_530	JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE	13:00
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 1 HOUR 13.30 MIN</b>

## MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS

### BEFORE 1ST MEETING

SCO_472	AIMS & METHODS OF SCOUTS BSA	8:30
SCO_474	INTRODUCTION TO MERIT BADGES	8:00
SCO_486	WHAT IS A MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR	7:00
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 23:30 MIN</b>

### POSITION TRAINED

SCO_471	ADVANCEMENT	10:00:
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 10 MIN</b>

## TROOP/TEAM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

### BEFORE 1ST MEETINGS

SCO_481	SCOUTING ORGANIZATION	12:00
SCO_472	AIMS & METHODS OF SCOUTS BSA	8:30
SCO_482	TROOP COMMITTEE	14:00
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 34:30 MIN</b>

SCO_476	OUTDOOR PROGRAMS	10:00
SCO_471	ADVANCEMENT	10:00
SCO_485	SCOUTS BSA UNIFORMS	11:30
SCO_473	ANNUAL TROOP PROGRAM PLANNING	14:00
SCO_474	INTRODUCTION TO MERIT BADGES	8:00
SCO_530	JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE	13:00
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 1 HOUR 6:30 MIN</b>

## TROOP/TEAM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### BEFORE 1ST MEETING

SCO_481	SCOUTING ORGANIZATION	12:00
SCO_472	AIMS & METHODS OF SCOUTS BSA	8:30
SCO_479	ROLE OF THE UNIT KEY 3	7:00
SCO_482	TROOP COMMITTEE	14:00
SCO_483	TROOP COMMITTEE MEETINGS	6:00
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 47:30 MIN</b>

### POSITION TRAINED

SCO_476	OUTDOOR PROGRAMS	10:00
SCO_471	ADVANCEMENT	10:00
SCO_485	SCOUTS BSA UNIFORMS	11:30
SCO_473	ANNUAL TROOP PROGRAM PLANNING	14:00
SCO_474	INTRODUCTION TO MERIT BADGES	8:00
SCO_530	JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE	13:00
		<b>TOTAL TIME: 1 HOUR 6:30 MIN</b>

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CLASSROOM  
OPTION

**THE ONLINE TRAINING PLANS LISTED ABOVE ARE ALSO AVAILABLE IN A CLASSROOM FORMAT:**

Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmaster: S24 Scoutmaster Specific Training  
Merit Badge Counselor: D76 Merit Badge Counselor Orientation Training  
Troop/Team Committee Chair & Committee: WS10 Troop Committee Challenge

# IOLST – Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training

- Is an overview of requirements that a BSA Scout will need.
- Hands-on program gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a boy-led troop by teaching many of the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors.
- At a minimum 1 Adult Leader needs to be trained for any over night activity.
- Need a minimum of 10 participants to run the training.
- Work in Patrols
- Overnight is required

# WOODBADGE

- **Wood Badge** is an advanced, national leadership course open only to Scouting volunteers and professionals. Scouters from Cub Scouting, Scouts **BSA**, Venturing, Sea Scouts, and Explorers, and district and council Scouters all are welcome and belong here.
- **Wood Badge** is a five-day course, conducted over two weekends. Topics include Managing Conflict, Communicating, Listening to Learn, Valuing People and Leveraging Diversity, Stages of Team Development, team and individual leadership, Coaching and Mentoring, Project Planning and much, much more.
- Our Council will be hosting the training August 13 – 15 Elk Lick and August 28 – 29 Merz 2021
- Need to have 30 participants to run the course



## Restart Scouting Checklist

As always, the safety of our Scouts, volunteers, employees and communities is our top priority. This checklist outlines several minimum guiding protocols that adult leaders/volunteers must consider while working with local and state health departments, local councils, chartered organizations and Scouting families on when and how to resume meetings, service projects, camping and all other official Scouting activities.

*If it is not practical to meet these minimal protocols, do not restart in-person activities.*

## **S = Supervision**

- Understand local and state guidance on preventing COVID-19 exposure.
- Engage your chartered organization and local council on necessary adjustments.
- Conduct the “before you gather” protocols.

## **A = Assessment**

- Identify participants who fall under the CDC’s group of higher-risk individuals. Notify all participants about the risks of participating since COVID-19 exposure cannot be eliminated.
- Verify that the planned activity, gathering or group sizes are not prohibited by local or state orders.

## **F = Fitness and Skill**

- Review Annual Health and Medical Records and consider using a pre-event screening for all participants.

## **E = Equipment and Environment**

- Verify that handwashing, hygiene and cleaning supplies are available and used properly.
- Monitor social distancing, interactions and sharing of equipment and food among participants.
- Monitor participants for changing health conditions.
- Use the “as you gather” protocols.

## **Before you gather:**

- ❑ **Consult** your council and chartered organization to understand community standards and protocols in place.
- ❑ **Communicate** to all parents and youth that the Boy Scouts of America recommends that no one in the higher-risk category take part in person. Continue to engage virtually.
- ❑ **Communicate** that anyone who feels sick must stay home. If you become sick or develop symptoms, isolate yourself then go home and seek care.
- ❑ **Educate and train** all participants on appropriate social distancing, cleaning and disinfecting, hand hygiene and respiratory (cough or sneeze) etiquette before meeting for the first time. Periodically reinforce the behaviors as needed.

**☐ Before attending**, upon arrival and at least daily for longer events, all participants should be screened for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

- **Cough**
- **Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing**
- **Chills**
- **Repeated shaking with chills**
- **Muscle pain**
- **Headache**
- **Sore throat**
- **Loss of taste or smell**
- **Diarrhea**
- **Feeling feverish or having a temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit**
- **Known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19**

❑ **As appropriate**, participants should have face coverings available to wear when gathering or when in public areas or venues. Several coverings per person may be needed.

❑ **Communicate** that those who take part in person should avoid contact with higher-risk individuals for 14 days after the event.

## **As you gather:**

- Minimize group sizes.** Small groups of participants who stay together all day every day, remain 6 feet apart and do not share objects are at the lowest risk. Think of a den or patrol that does not mix or gather with other dens or patrols, with supervision that stays with the small group. *Scouting's Barriers to Abuse always apply.*
- Stay local** to your geographic area and groups for unit activities. If you must travel, limit mixing with others along the way.
- Minimize mixing** with parents or siblings unless they are part of the unit activity. For example, the same parent picks up and drops off youth, and stays in the car. No guests or visitors who have not been through the pre-gathering protocols and screening should take part.
- Have hand sanitizer**, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available for use at meetings, activities and campouts.
- Minimize the use** of common areas and shared tools. If unavoidable, they should be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected between uses.

- ❑ **Develop dining protocols** (including but not limited to):
  - No self-serve buffet meals or common water coolers.
  - Use of disposable utensils, napkins, cups and plates.
  - Clean and disinfect eating and cooking gear after each use.
  
- ❑ **Develop tenting protocols** for the group:
  - Minimize use of fans or devices that stir the air.
  - Campers should sleep head-to-toe in bunks or cots spaced as far apart as possible.
  - Individual tents, hammocks and bivvys may be considered.
  
- ❑ **During program activities:**
  - Equipment that must be shared should be disinfected before and after each use.
  - Where possible, assign activity-related protective equipment for the duration of an event to a single individual (life jacket, gloves, harness).
  - Effective handwashing before and after each program area use.

❑ **In case of an injury or illness**, promptly report the incident, including COVID-19 exposures. Utilize [Incident Reporting Resources](#), including COVID-19 instructions.

**When you get home:**

- ❑ **Avoid contact** with higher-risk individuals for 14 days.
- ❑ **Monitor** for any signs of illness for 14 days, and
- ❑ **Communicate** with your unit leadership should you develop symptoms.

# The Boy Scout Badge

