THE MERIT BADGE PROGRAM

The Merit Badge program at Camp Workcoeman is extensive and includes approximately 45 badges spread over three morning sessions and an afternoon period.

Troops are requested to complete merit badge selections prior to arriving at camp through a fillable Google Form that will be emailed to troop contacts in May. Troop leadership will be able to complete merit badge registration for each Scout, or Scouts will be able to complete the information themselves. **Please make sure your merit badge selections are submitted at least three weeks prior to your arrival at camp.** The Program Director will be in contact with any necessary information and program changes.











GENERAL GUIDELINES

- It is suggested that Scouts who have not attained the First Class rank utilize the "Tenderfoot's Compass Program." Included in the Tenderfoot's Compass curriculum is Swimming Merit Badge, which will take place during the 11:15 merit badge time. Earning Swimming Merit Badge opens the door to many challenging aquatic opportunities for Scouts.
- A limit of 3 merit badges is recommended for Scouts, especially if difficult badges are being considered. If the advancement load of a Scout is too heavy, an otherwise fun week becomes one of disappointment.
- Advancement is one of eight methods of Scouting. **Don't overload advancement at the expense of patrol and troop activities.**
- Scouts should follow the buddy system for merit badge selection and are encouraged to sign-up with troop buddies.

PRE-CAMP PREPARATIONS

- Some merit badges offered at camp may have prerequisites, while others require double time sessions for completion at camp. The information in the following pages details the times at which merit badges are offered as well as information that should be considered when making merit badge selections.
- The merit badge counselors have identified activities appropriate for Scouts with different experience levels and listed necessary prerequisite merit badge requirements that cannot be completed at camp. Please be advised that the list of prerequisites may be incomplete as a result of requirements changing between the publication of this guide and the summer camp season. Scoutmasters and Scouts should review badge requirements ahead of time to make sure each Scout is signed up for ability appropriate merit badges and comes to camp with necessary materials.
- Please see the appendix for merit badge specific prerequisite requirement sign-off sheets. These forms should be completed to ensure Scouts are given credit for work that must be done outside of camp.
- We want Scouts to have an enjoyable time at camp and come away from the week with a feeling of accomplishment having earned merit badges towards which they have worked. The Workcoeman counselors encourage you to use your experience as a Scoutmaster to guide your unit towards a successful and fun week at camp!



2019 MERIT BADGE TIME SCHEDULE

9:15 - 10:00 AM

Swimming Astronomy Rifle Shooting

Art **Lifesaving** (9:15-11:00) Oceanography

Archery Energy Painting

Camping First Aid (9:15-11:00) Tenderfoot's Compass (9:15-12:00)

Canoeing Pioneering (9:15-11:00) Personal Fitness

BSA Lifeguard (9:15-12:00) **Environmental Science** (Scouts in high school)

Environmental Science (Scouts in middle school) (9:15-11:00)

10:15 - 11:00 AM

Archery Space Exploration **Personal Fitness**

Kayaking Camping Small-Boat Sailing (10:15-12:00)

Engineering Fish and Wildlife Management Wood Carving

Rifle Shooting Mammal Study Climbing **Swimming** Leatherwork

11:15 AM - 12:00 PM

Basketry Chemistry Citizenship in the World
Cooking (11:15-2:00) Exploration Emergency Preparedness

LeatherworkNatureGeologyRowingShotgun ShootingClimbing

Sports Robotics

OTHER

Indian Lore (1:15-2:00 PM) Kayaking BSA (1:15-2:00 PM)

Reptile and Amphibian Study (1:15-2:00 PM)

Snorkeling BSA (1:15-2:00 PM)

Fishing (6:30-7:15 AM)

Bold Type - Eagle Required

All merit badge times are subject to change due to staff and equipment limitations. Any changes will be disclosed at the leader orientation meetings on April 27, May 11 & 18 and will be posted on the CampWorkcoeman.org website.

For up-to-date information or special requests contact Program Director: Tom Leisten at tleisten@campworkcoeman.org



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ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (E)



Times: 9:15 – 10:00 – Scouts in High School

9:15 – 11:00* – Scouts in Middle School

Location: Henry Griffin Nature Center

Prerequisites: None - Recommended for 3rd year campers or older

* Double session for middle school age Scouts, single session

recommended for high school age Scouts

FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT



Times: 10:15 – 11:00

Location: Henry Griffin Nature Center

Prerequisites: None

* Recommended for 2nd year campers or older

FISHING



Times: 6:30 – 7:15 AM Location: Fishing Docks

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers or older

GEOLOGY



Times: 11:15 – 12:00

Location: Henry Griffin Nature Center

Prerequisites: None

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Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers or older

MAMMAL STUDY



Times: 10:15 – 11:00

Location: Henry Griffin Nature Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for all Scouts

NATURE



Times: 11:15 – 12:00

Location: Henry Griffin Nature Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for all Scouts



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ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION CONTINUED

OCEANOGRAPHY



Times: 9:15-10:00

Location: Henry Griffin Nature Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers and older

REPTILE AND AMPHIBIAN STUDY



Times: 1:15 – 2:00

Location: Henry Griffin Nature Center

Prerequisites: #8

Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers and older

ADDITIONAL MERIT BADGE OPPORTUNITIES

CITIZENSHIP IN THE WORLD (E)



Times: 11:15 – 12:00

Location: To be announced at camp

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers and older.



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OUTDOOR SKILLS

CAMPING (E)



Times: 9:15 – 10:00, 10:15 – 11:00 Location: Sturge Shields Campcraft Area Prerequisites: #4b, #5e, #7b, #8d, #9a, #9b

Note: Recommended for Scouts at least First Class rank

**Please see pre-requisite sign-off sheet in the appendix

COOKING (E)



Times: 11:15 – 12:00 (Wed., Thu. & Fri. until 2 p.m.)

Location: Sturge Shields Campcraft Area

Prerequisites: #4

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers and older

Scouts will eat lunch in the Campcraft area on Wednesday,

Thursday and Friday.

**Please see pre-requisite sign-off sheet in the appendix **Extra cost of \$10 per participant to cover cost of food

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (E)



Times: 11:15 – 12:00

Location: Sturge Shields Campcraft Area

Prerequisites: #1, #6c, #8b, #9 - May earn First Aid simultaneously Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers and older.

**Please see pre-requisite sign-off sheet in the appendix

EXPLORATION



Times: 11:15 – 12:00

Location: Sturge Shields Campcraft Area

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers and older

FIRST AID (E)



Times: 9:15 – 11:00

Location: Sturge Shields Campcraft Area

Prerequisites: #2d

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers and older

PIONEERING



Times: 9:15 – 11:00

Location: Sturge Shields Campcraft Area

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for Scouts at least First Class rank



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AQUATICS

CANOEING



Times: 9:15 – 10:00

Location: Waterfront Boating Area

Prerequisites: Successful completion of the BSA swimmer test (Blue tag)

Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers or older

KAYAKING



Times: 10:15-11:00

Location: Waterfront Boating Area

Prerequisites: Successful completion of the BSA swimmer test (Blue tag)

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers or older.

LIFESAVING (E)



Times: 9:15 – 11:00

Location: Waterfront Swimming Area

Prerequisites: Successful completion of the BSA swimmer test (Blue tag)
Note: Recommended for strong swimmers having already

completed Swimming Merit Badge

ROWING



Times: 11:15 – 12:00

Location: Waterfront Boating Area

Prerequisites: Successful completion of the BSA swimmer test (Blue tag)

Note: Recommended for all Scouts

SMALL-BOAT SAILING



Times: 10:15 – 12:00

Location: Waterfront Boating Area

Prerequisites: Successful completion of the BSA swimmer test (Blue tag)

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers or older

SWIMMING (E)



Times: 9:15 – 10:00, 10:15 – 11:00

(The 11:15 session is reserved for the Tenderfoot's Compass Program only)

Location: Waterfront Swimming Area

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for all Scouts



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SHOOTING SPORTS

ARCHERY



Times: 9:15 – 10:00, 10:15 – 11:00

Location: Archery Range

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for all Scouts

RIFLE SHOOTING



Times: 9:15 – 10:00, 10:15 – 11:00

Location: Rifle Range

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers or older

SHOTGUN SHOOTING



Times: 11:15 – 12:00 Location: Shotgun Range Prerequisites: Must be age 13

Note: Extra cost of \$10 per participant to cover cost of equipment

FIELD SPORTS & CLIMBING

CLIMBING



Times: 10:15 – 11:00, 11:15-12:00 Location: Douglass Climbing Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Scouts must be at least 13 years of age

PERSONAL FITNESS (E)



Times: 9:15 – 10:00, 10:15-11:00

Location: Sports Field Prerequisites: #1, #6, #7, #8

Note: Recommended for all Scouts

Scouts must be prepared with proper footwear and clothing **Please see pre-requisite sign-off sheet in the appendix

SPORTS



Times: 11:15 – 12:00 Location: Sports Field Prerequisites: #4, #5

Note: Recommended for all Scouts

Scouts must be prepared with proper footwear and clothing



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HANDICRAFT

ART



Times: 9:15 – 10:00 Location: Handicraft Chapel

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for all Scouts

BASKETRY



Times: 11:15 – 12:00 Location: Handicraft Chapel

Prerequisites: None

Note: Re

Recommended for all Scouts

Additional material costs at the Trading Post - \$11-\$22

depending on project kit

INDIAN LORE



Times: 1:15 – 2:00

Location: Parade Ground Pavilion

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 2nd years campers and older

LEATHERWORK



Times: 10:15 – 11:00, 11:15 – 12:00

Location: Handicraft Chapel

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for all Scouts

Additional material costs at the Trading Post (\$4-\$8 kit cost)

PAINTING



Times: 9:15 – 10:00 Location: Handicraft Chapel

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers and older

WOOD CARVING



Times: 10:15 – 11:00
Location: Handicraft Chapel
Prerequisites: Totin' Chip Card

Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers and older

Additional material costs at the Trading Post (\$3 kit cost)



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STEM SCIENCE • **T**ECHNOLOGY • **E**NGINEERING • **M**ATH

ASTRONOMY



Times: 9:15 – 10:00 AM, plus additional times for observations

Location: STEM Explorations Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers or older.

Please remember that Scouts must complete a three hour

observation lasting from 9pm-12am on one night.

Observations and other requirements also depend upon the weather.

CHEMISTRY



Times: 11:15 – 12:00

Location: STEM Explorations Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers and older.

ENERGY



Times: 9:15 – 10:00

Location: STEM Explorations Center

Prerequisites: #4 and #5

Note: Recommended for 2nd year campers and older.

ENGINEERING



Times: 10:15 – 11:00

Location: STEM Explorations Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for 3rd year campers or older.

ROBOTICS



Times: 11:15 – 12:00 with additional class time 1:15 – 2:00 PM

Location: STEM Explorations Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for Scouts age 13 or older.

Class may also meet during Siesta to complete requirements.

SPACE EXPLORATION



Times: 10:15 – 11:00

Location: STEM Explorations Center

Prerequisites: None

Note: Recommended for all Scouts.

Additional material costs at the Trading Post (\$11 kit cost)