

THE EAGLE'S EGG MBU

Leader's Guide



Saturday, August 3rd

Camp Arrowhead

8:00am-3:00pm



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SENSORY FRIENDLY MBU

SATURDAY, AUG. 3RD - 8AM-3PM
CAMP ARROWHEAD, MO

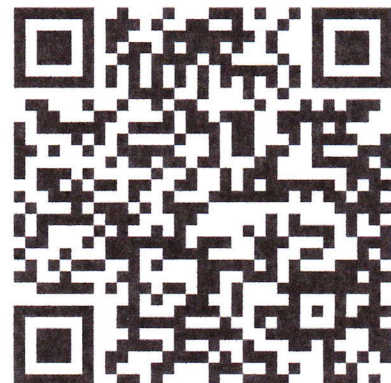
PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SENSORY-FRIENDLY MBU OFFERING EAGLE REQUIRED MERIT BADGES AND DESIGNED EXCLUSIVELY FOR NEURODIVERGENT SCOUTS WHO HAVE DIFFICULTY LEARNING IN A TRADITIONAL CLASSROOM SETTING; FEATURING VERY SMALL CLASS SIZES, 2 MERIT BADGE INSTRUCTORS PER CLASS FOR MORE INDIVIDUAL LEARNING, FREQUENT BREAKS, ACTIVE MOVEMENT ENCOURAGED. MERIT BADGES OFFERED INCLUDE: CITIZENSHIP IN SOCIETY, COOKING (\$5 ADDITIONAL FEE FOR FOOD), ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, PERSONAL FITNESS, AND SWIMMING!

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION (COST \$20) JUNE 9TH-JULY 15TH
REGULAR REGISTRATION (COST \$25) JULY 16TH-JULY 29TH

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. ALL REGISTRANTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR ADULT GUARDIAN FAMILIAR WITH THEIR MEDICAL/BEHAVIORAL NEEDS.
2. LUNCH WILL BE ON YOUR OWN (EXCEPT FOR COOKING PARTICIPANTS WHO WILL EAT WITH THEIR CLASS). EACH CLASS WILL HAVE A COOLER TO STORE A SMALL LUNCH IF NECESSARY.
3. EACH REGISTRANT MAY BRING A PERSONAL COMFORT/FOCUS/FIDGET ITEM AS LONG AS IT IS NOT DISTRACTING TO OTHER PARTICIPANTS.
4. THIS IS AN OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE, SO PLEASE PLAN TO BRING A DAYPACK WITH SUNSCREEN, BUG SPRAY, LUNCH (UNLESS YOU ARE TAKING COOKING), WATER BOTTLE, HAT, AND CHAIR.
5. FIELD UNIFORMS (CLASS A'S) MUST BE WORN FOR OPENING & CLOSING FLAGS, BUT ACTIVITY UNIFORMS (CLASS B T-SHIRT) MAY BE WORN THE REST OF THE DAY.
6. CLASS SIZE IS VERY LIMITED SO REGISTER ASAP!

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TO REGISTER



Leaders,

First of all, thank you so much for agreeing to be a part of the Inaugural Eagle's Egg Sensory-Friendly MBU. This is a very different concept from your typical Merit Badge University. My belief is that Scouting is for all Youth, and that some Youth learn best in different or nontraditional environments. To that end, this MBU will be exclusively for neurodivergent Scouts who have difficulty learning in a traditional MBU environment.

This MBU will have the following major differences compared to the average Merit Badge University:

1. Significantly smaller class sizes (10 Scouts max in all classes except Citizenship in Society which is limited to 5 Scouts ages 15-17).
2. Two Merit Badge Counselors in each class so each Scout will have more individual attention.
3. Due to the wide ranging and differing diagnoses that fall under the "neurodivergent" category, each Scout registering will be required to have a parent or adult guardian attend with them, someone who is familiar with them and their specific needs.
4. Merit Badge counselors are encouraged to think "outside the box" when teaching their class. This may include:
 - a. Non-traditional seating
 - b. More frequent breaks
 - c. More hands-on learning
 - d. More moving around in class (please allow/encourage movement)
 - e. ***I'm encouraging minimal pre-requisites as my hope is the Scouts will get to know the Merit Badge counselors during their class and will be more likely to contact them later to finish the badge. For this reason, do NOT feel you need to complete any badge during this MBU. Several of the Merit Badges being offered have home requirements, but keep in mind due to the individual learning speed of your participants, even badges which may normally be completed at a MBU may be only partially done this day. Please come prepared

to give out your contact details at the end of the class so your participants will be able to reach you later when they are ready to finish the Merit Badge.

Other important info:

1. MBC's, please bring a large cooler for your class as Scouts/parents will bring their own lunch (except Cooking).
2. Please plan to bring personal sunscreen, bug spray, a water bottle, a hat, and a chair if needed. You are NOT required to share these items with your class.
3. Field uniform (Class A's) required for opening/closing flags, but Activities uniform (Class B's) ok for the rest of the day.
4. I have asked parents to bring chairs for themselves/Scouts but if you have any extra chairs/blankets, etc, please bring them in case someone forgets. Some Merit Badge classes will have outdoor seating (such as the breezeway) but others will only have indoor seating (Personal Fitness/Environmental Science). I am encouraging as much of the class as possible to be taught outside but obviously this will be weather dependent.
5. MBC's have a budget of \$35 per class (except Cooking which will have a budget of \$120 to include food purchase) – this may be used to purchase “fidgets” or other items to improve attention span. This budget does NOT include paper, which is a separate line item in our budget. If MBC's need paper copies of the MB worksheet or other paper copies, they may have them printed at the Council Office.

Agenda

7:30 – Registration opens

8:00 – Opening flags/remarks

8:15 – Dismissal to classes (see below for locations)

12:00 – Break for lunch (*time may vary at Cooking MBC's discretion – if you have Scout volunteers/runners in your class please plan to send them to the pavilion near the breezeway around 11:30 to check in with the Cooking MBC's as to whether food will be ready on time before dismissing your class, this way you will be able to eat on time.*) – Food will be provided for staff/volunteers and will be cooked by the Cooking Class. This will consist of hotdogs, chips, and a Dutch Oven dessert. Alternatively Staff may elect to bring their own lunch.

12:30 – Classes resume

3:00 – Closing Flags/Adjourn

Important Locations

Registration – Foster's Lodge

Swimming – Pool

Citizenship in Society – Woodcraft/Breezeway

Cooking – Scoutcraft (Pavilion near Breezeway)

Personal Fitness – Nature Lodge

Environmental Science – Fishing Lodge

CAMP MAP

