

MERIT BADGE CATALOG

Class	Limit	Notes
Communication	16	Includes pre-requisites: Requirements 5 (attend public meeting) and 8 (serve as MC). Please bring verification of requirements completed. Scouts will be delivering a 5-minute speech on any topic they choose. Scouts should come to class with a pre-written speech as we will have little time for writing speeches during class.
Cooking	6	
Drafting	14	
Emergency Preparedness	16	Includes pre-requisites: Requirements 2a (family meeting), 2b (escape plan), 2c (assemble kit), 3a (home inspection), and 9 (First Aid merit badge). Please bring verification of the completed requirements (including the kit or pictures of the kit).
First Aid	16	
Home Repairs	14	
Orienteering	16	
Plumbing	16	
Surveying	14	
Crime Prevention	Unlimited	Optional additional badge that can be completed in the evening in lieu of watching a movie. Online pre-registration encouraged.
Entrepreneurship	Unlimited	Optional additional badge that can be completed in the evening in lieu of watching a movie. Online pre-registration encouraged.

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CAMP GRAFTON MERIT BADGE WEEKEND

NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD
4417 HIGHWAY 20 | DEVILS LAKE, ND
SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2026

LEADER'S GUIDE



WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday, September 18

Time	Event	Location
6:00 – 9:00 PM	Check In	Edwards House
7:00 – 9:00 PM	Crackerbarrell	Edwards House
9:30 PM	Opening Session	RTI Auditorium
11:00 PM	Lights Out	Hutments

Saturday, September 19

6:30 – 7:30 AM	Breakfast Served	Dining Facility
8:00 AM	Merit Badge Classes Begin	RTI Classrooms
11:30 – 12:30 PM	Lunch Served	Dining Facility
1:00 PM	Merit Badge Classes Resume	RTI Classrooms
11:30 – 12:30 PM	Lunch Served	Dining Hall
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Free Time	Various Areas
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Dinner Served	Dining Facility
6:30 PM	National Guard Recruiter Talk	RTI Auditorium
7:00 – 9:30 PM	Optional Evening Merit Badge	RTI Classrooms
7:00 – 9:30 PM	Optional Movie Night	RTI Auditorium
11:00 PM	Lights Out	Hutments

Sunday, September 20

6:30 – 7:30 AM	Breakfast Served	Dining Facility
8:00 – 9:30 AM	Check Out	Edwards House

The main merit badge session is Saturday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, with optional merit badge classes offered Saturday evening from 7:00 to 9:30 PM in place of movie night. All classes will be held in the RTI Building (Building 1500), located northwest of most other camp buildings. Merit badge offerings, class sizes, and additional notes are listed above.

Schedules and locations are subject to change based on North Dakota National Guard facility assignments and schedules. Some merit badge classes may finish early, allowing Scouts to participate in additional badges; this is not guaranteed for any specific badge.

Questions?

Ryan Hansen at ryan.hansen@scouting.org or (218) 770-7505.

Welcome to the 10th Annual Merit Badge Weekend, hosted by the **North Dakota National Guard** and supported by the **Northern Lights Council!** Below are some important notes regarding the weekend.

Meals: All meals will be served at the **Dining Facility (Building 2900)**. This includes Saturday breakfast, lunch, and dinner, as well as Sunday breakfast. A cracker barrel will be available in **Edwards House** during Friday evening check-in. The Guard is unable to provide individual dietary accommodation. The meals generally include a variety of options to accommodate most dietary needs. Participants with specific dietary requirements should plan accordingly.

Sleeping Arrangements: Participants will stay in hutments. Each hutment contains three beds. Mattresses and storage are provided. Troops will receive their hutment keys during check-in. Keys will be prepared in envelopes and pre-sorted by troops. Participants must provide their own sleeping bag or sheets and blankets, pillow, and other personal sleeping items. Keys must be returned at checkout. Hutments must be cleaned before departure. Shower facilities are located next to the hutments and are separated by age and gender.

Required Forms and Identification: **Every Scout and adult must bring a** Scouting Annual Health and Medical Record (AHMR – Parts A & B) and a signed Camp Grafton Medical Release Waiver. The Camp Grafton waiver is included in the Event Attachments section of the online registration. Copies will also be available on site. **All adults must have a picture ID, such as a driver's license, to enter Camp Grafton.**

Merit Badge Records: Scouts do not need to bring physical blue cards. Merit badge records will be made available online after the event, similar to the process used for summer camp. Merit badge schedules may have some flexibility during the event. If a class finishes early, Scouts may have an opportunity to participate in an additional merit badge. This cannot be guaranteed for any particular badge. Completed requirements and merit badges will be reflected in the Scouts' online records after the event.

Event Patches: Event patches will be mailed to the registration contact after the event and are expected to arrive in **late October**.

Registration is online only. Walk-in registrations cannot be accepted.