



THE DEVER FAMILY FOUNDATION

Skilled Trades Education Center

Skilled Trades Workshop Day | February 28th, 2026

We are excited to welcome Scouts to the inaugural year of the Dever Family Foundation Trade Skills Education Center and the first exciting opportunities for Scouts to master new trades at our upcoming Skills Trade Day Merit badge Workshop. We've put together this brief guide to ensure you have all the essential details and answers to frequently asked questions for a smooth and rewarding experience. We hope your scouts are excited to discover new opportunities and skills.

Date

Saturday February 28th, 2026

Workshop Schedule

***Please note that the Workshop schedule has changed and now includes an introductory session that parents are encouraged to attend.**

- 8:00AM – Registration opens at **Camp Friedlander Dining Hall**
- 8:30AM - **Career Connections - Parents are encouraged to attend!**
- 9:30AM - AM Session begins
- 12:30PM - Lunch (Provided for Scouts)
- 1:00PM - PM Session
- 4:00PM - Event Concludes

Parking & Drop Off: Parents are invited to park in the Camp Friedlander main lot to drop their scouts off before guiding them to the Camp Friedlander Dining Hall to complete registration and begin the Career Connections Program.

Address: 581 Ibold Rd, Loveland, OH 45140

What should my scout wear? Scouts are expected to dress in durable clothing suited for a shop environment. Please wear non-synthetic, natural fibers (such as cotton) and Class B t-shirts paired with sturdy jeans; these materials are safer around tools and heat, and you should choose items that you don't mind getting stained or scuffed. For safety, closed-toe shoes are strictly required to enter the workspace. Please keep in mind that some of the workshop bays are not climate-controlled, so the temperature inside will fluctuate with the weather. We recommend dressing in layers to ensure you stay comfortable throughout the day regardless of the outside temperature.

- Service Project Attire (Jeans, Class bs, t-shirts)
- Non- synthetic natural fibers are recommended
- Clothes may be stained or scuffed
- Closed toes shoes are required

What should my scout bring? Scouts are encouraged to bring a water bottle and appropriate clothing.

Does my scout need to bring safety gear? No. Each session will provide opportunities for scouts to learn about safety and health topics related to their merit badge and will be equipped with all related personal protective gear.

Will my scouts earn their badges? Scouts will complete hands on requirements towards respective merit badges. Completed requirements will be uploaded to Scoutbook within two weeks of the conclusion of the event. Please see the merit badge guide at the end of this guide for details on which merit badges may be completed or what individual requirements will be completed.

Pick Up: Scouts will conclude their second session at 4:00PM and may be picked up at the front of the center. Parents and guardians are asked to park in the Camp Friedlander main parking lot before walking to guide their scout back to their car.

Lunch: Lunch will be served to scouts at 12:30PM. If your scout has dietary restrictions or needs special accommodations, please contact Andrew Fisher (fisherae10@gmail.com | 513.205.6490).

Additional Questions? Please contact Andrew Fisher (fisherae10@gmail.com | 513.205.6490)

Weather: Dan Beard Council monitors all weather forecasts and storm warnings. Any modification to the schedule will be announced via the email address used to register scouts for the event.

Merit Badge Summaries – February 28th, 2026

Our primary goal is to provide a hands-on learning experience that keeps Scouts engaged. While our instructors make every effort to complete all listed requirements, individual progress may vary based on class pace, participation, and available time.

Farm Mechanics – Scouts will have the opportunity to earn all the requirements and complete merit badge based on participation.

Metalwork - Scouts will have the opportunity to earn all the requirements and complete merit badge based on participation.

- Scouts are encourage but not required to read the safety section of the metalworking merit badge pamphlet, a digital copy can be found here: <https://www.scouting.org/merit-badges/metalwork/>

Woodworking – Some requirements will not be completed during Saturday’s workshop. Scouts will receive guidance on how to complete merit badge after event.

- Requirements planned to be completed
 - 1 (A), 1(B), 2 (A), 3 (A), 3 (B), 4, 5, 7
- Requirements not covered during the workshop.
 - 6 – Scouts will be given resources on how to complete the two projects and virtual meetings where projects may be discussed and shared with counselors to complete the requirements.
- Scouts are encouraged to bring their totem chip or a signed note from a leader or parent attesting that the scout has received the chip to receive credit for requirement 2(C). Otherwise this requirement may be completed after the event.

Welding – Scouts will have the opportunity to earn all the requirements and complete merit badge based on participation.

Programming - Scouts will have the opportunity to earn all the requirements and complete merit badge based on participation.

Energy – Some requirements will not be completed during Saturday’s workshop. Scouts will receive guidance on how to complete merit badge after event.

- Scouts will receive instructions to complete requirement 4 at home energy audit over a 14-day period and connect with a counselor to complete the merit badge after the event.