



Merit Badge Information Sheet [MBIS]
November 14, 2026

Merit Badge:	Communication
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Preferred Method of Contact:	Email
Prerequisites: <i>list all requirements which need to be completed in advance</i>	When you email, put your name on the subject header. If you can, send all the documents in one email to BOTH merit badge counselors. To comply with Safeguarding Youth guidelines, scouts should copy a leader or parent on all email communication with the counselor. 1a, 1b, 2b, 3, 4, 5, 7b, 7c, 8
Class Work: <i>list all requirements which will be completed in class</i>	1c, 1d, 2a, 6, 7a, and 9
Use of “Online” Workbook:	Not supported – the site that provided them is no longer updating requirements.
Merit Badge Booklet:	NOT REQUIRED – check https://www.scouting.org/merit-badges/communication/ for current requirements
Number of Sessions needed: <i>each session is 1 hour 25 minutes</i>	2
Maximum Class Size:	8
Notes and/or Comments:	Bring notebook and writing instrument or device to type. Requirement 7 calls for writing a letter to an editor. Be prepared to write an opinion based on a topic of choice. Scouts may bring an article with them to reference.



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Requirement 3 – we will accept a note signed by a teacher that the INDIVIDUAL scout.... not a team or group....wrote and SOLO delivered a 5-minute speech in a classroom. If delivering the 5-minute speech at Merit Badge College prepare at least an outline if not a written script IN advance...to be executed in class.