



Health MBU

NOV 7TH, 2026

9 AM - 4PM

**PRESBYTERIAN HEALTHCARE ADVANCED LEARNING LAB
9521 SAN MATEO BLVD NE, ABQ**

Scouting America
High Desert Council

Check-In/Out Procedure for Scouts

The check in location on Saturday, November 7, 2026, is the Presbyterian Healthcare Advanced Learning Lab.

Scouts will be directed to the location of their specific merit badge during the introductory session. Check in will begin at 9:00 am and close at 9:30 am so that the Merit Badge University can begin promptly at 9:30 am.

The program will officially end at 4:00 pm. If a parent needs to pick up the Scout before the event ends - they should reach out to our on-site coordinator Jessie Brown at (505) 710-3277.

Scouts must sign out with a leader before leaving to ensure accountability.

Directions and Parking

Directions

The Merit Badge University will be held at the Presbyterian Healthcare Advanced Learning Lab, which is located at 9521 San Mateo Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113 in the Reverend Hugh A. Cooper Administrative Center.

Parking

Guests may park in the free surface lot on the north side of the building at [9521 San Mateo Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM, 87113](#). The entrance to the Advanced Learning Lab and classrooms is directly off this north parking area. Parking is free and on-site. Please enter where the large red arch is on the north side of the building.



A Scout Is Prepared: What to Bring - Checklist

- ☐ Wear the "Class A" uniform - you are representing Scouts to the world
- ☐ Printed copy of completed BSA Medical Forms Part A/B signed by parent. These will NOT be collected but the Scout must have it in case of emergency. (Guide to Safe Scouting - Section 5) [Printable Health Forms](#). Page one signed on the BSA Medical Forms Part A/B indicates photo release.
- ☐ Daypack
- ☐ Refillable water bottle labeled with scouts name and unit number
- ☐ Pencil/Pen (or a few)
- ☐ Notebook
- ☐ Class specific requirements as noted in the Merit Badge Offered Table on page 4 of this document.
 - **OPTIONAL** Merit Badge videos to aid in discussions and researching information can be found in the links on the Merit Badge Offered Table.
- ☐ Blue Cards are not required for this event. During registration, the registrant confirmed that the Scout has received permission from their Scout Master, indicating the Scout has discussed their intention to work on this Merit Badge. (GTA 7.0.0.3) [Printable Blue Card](#)

Lunch will be catered by [Dion's Pizza](#). **If your Scout has dietary restrictions, please be prepared to pack a lunch.** Refrigeration will not be available and there will not be time/opportunity to purchase lunch on or off site. Lunch will include cheese and pepperoni pizza, chef salad, tossed salad, and lemonade.

Agenda

Time	Activity
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Check In and Safety Briefing
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Welcome and Presbyterian Healthcare Introduction
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Session 1 of Merit Badge Instruction
12:00 pm - 12:45 pm	Lunch (Lunch is provided by Dion's)
12:45 pm - 1:15 pm	Health Fair and Exploration of Learning Laboratories
1:15 pm - 3:30 pm	Session 2 of Merit Badge Instruction
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Wrap up and next stages

Adult Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers in classrooms, as well as adults who work in health care professions to be interviewed by Scouts for the Health Care Professionals Merit Badge. Please let Jessie Brown know your interest at 505-710-3277 or jessie.k.brown@icloud.com.

Health U Merit Badge University - ABQ 2026 Offerings

Merit Badge Offered (hyperlinked to requirements/description)	Pre-Requisites, Partial, Notes
 Dentistry	4c. Keep a record of everything you eat for three days. Circle those items that may provide the sugars that bacterial plaque needs to make acid. List snacks that you should avoid to help maintain the best oral health.
 Disabilities Awareness	No Prerequisites or Partial Completions - as indicated, we will try to complete all the requirements but cannot 100% guarantee this.
 Health Care Professionals	No Prerequisites or Partial Completions - as indicated, we will try to complete all the requirements but cannot 100% guarantee this.
 First Aid	2. Preparing for First Aid Emergencies. (1) Assemble a personal first aid-kit for hiking and backpacking. Demonstrate the proper use of each item in your first-aid kit to your counselor. ***Bring your first aid kit to the class.
 Public Health	No Prerequisites or Partial Completions - as indicated, we will try to complete all the requirements but cannot 100% guarantee this.

Merit Badge Requirements:

Merit badge requirements used will be the most current, accurate, and official as listed at <https://www.scouting.org/skills/merit-badges/>. Youth should review the requirements for the merit badge they wish to take, prior to arriving on site. We strongly encourage youth to watch the videos to establish a baseline understanding of the material so they may more thoroughly participate in discussions during the event. Adult leaders and parents should realize and understand that participation and preparation by each scout is of the utmost importance. It is up to the discretion of the counselor to determine if scouts are prepared and participating in the class. The latest update to the Guide to Advancement (Jan 2025) states that a Scout MUST discuss with a unit leader or their delegate their intention to work on a specific merit badge BEFORE beginning the merit badge (GTA 7.0.0.3). Please ensure this is completed before registering for the event.

While our intent is to cover all the requirements for a merit badge with the exception of the items listed in the table above, we CANNOT 100% guarantee that all requirements will be completed and work may be required after the event. If so, the scout will need to share the completed work with the counselor in order for the requirement to be signed off as complete after the session they attend. They will receive contact information for the MBC during the event or may work with another registered counselor after the event to complete the Merit Badge. Remember when contacting merit badge counselors, always include a parent/guardian or Scoutmaster to your conversation in accordance with youth protection standards. After the MBU, the Scoutmaster of each unit in attendance will receive an email with a list of all requirements that were covered by the merit badge counselors in each session.

Conduct Code

As with other Scouting events, the use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, vaping or vape devices, illegal drugs, medical marijuana or controlled substances, firearms, sheath knives and fireworks are positively prohibited. Merit Badge University follows the Guide to Safe Scouting. Scouts are expected to follow the Scout Oath and Law.