2024 Merit Badge Fair Class Prerequisites

Please note: not all merit badges will be completed by the end of this fair. Many merit badges have more requirements that will require additional time outside of the fair.

Automotive Maintenance:

Scouts should bring a Class B uniform, or something they don't mind getting a little dirty (e.g. kneeling on the ground). Pencil or pen. Cell phone or electronic notepad with Google availability preferred but not mandatory. **Requirement 11(a)** Choose 3 vehicles and determine insurance costs as listed. **Requirement 12** Find 3 career opportunities in the automotive industry as listed.

Scouts need to bring their notes to the class for discussion regarding the prerequisites.

Citizenship in the Nation:

Scouts should read over and be familiar with all the requirements of this merit badge. Be prepared to discuss Requirements 1 - 4.

Citizenship in the World:

I ask that Scouts in this class review the requirements and the merit badge pamphlet, if possible and where possible be ready at the fair to do requirement 3a and 3 b.

Requirement 3a. Pick a current world event. In relation to this current event, discuss with your counselor how a country's national interest and its relationship with other countries might affect areas such as" its security, its economy, its values, and the health of its citizens.

Requirement 3b. Select a foreign country and discuss with your counselor how its geography, natural resources, and climate influence its economy and its global partnerships with other countries.

Prepare for requirement 7--visit the websites and prepare to discuss where you visited or participated:

Do TWO of the following (with your parent's permission) and share with your counselor what you have learned:

(a) Visit the web site of the U.S. State Department. Learn more about an issue you find interesting that is discussed on this web site.

(b) Visit the web site of an international news organization or foreign government, OR examine a foreign newspaper available at your local library, bookstore, or newsstand. Find a news story about a human right realized in the United States that is not recognized in another country.

(c) Visit with a student or Scout from another country and discuss the typical values, holidays, ethnic foods, and traditions practiced or enjoyed there.(d) Attend a world Scout jamboree.

(e) Participate in or attend an international event in your area, such as an ethnic festival, concert, or play.

Citizenship in Society:

Scouts must be Star or Life rank; minimum age 14

Scouts must work on all the requirements of the merit badge before coming to the meeting because they must discuss them with other Scouts and the counselor.

Here is a link where to print the requirements https://www.boyscouttrail.com/boy-scouts/meritbadges/citizenshipinsociety.asp

Communication:

The counselor would prefer the following to be completed prior to the Merit Badge Fair:

Keep record of what you have done to show counselor at the fair.

Requirement 2 - Pick and be prepared to present one of the options

Requirement 3 - Be prepared to present a 5-minute speech

Requirement 4 - Be prepared to present an introduction for someone you have Interviewed.

Requirement 5 - can be done prior to or after.

Requirement 6. - Be prepared to teach a skill

Cooking:

Scouts must be First Class or above

Please print and read over the requirements for this badge prior. This is a quite lengthy merit badge and typically takes several months or longer to complete.

Engineering:

Scouts should read over and be familiar with all the requirements of this merit badge.

Family Life:

Please come prepared to talk about this.

Requirement 2. List several reasons why you are important to your family and discuss this with your parents or guardians

and with your merit badge counselor.

Requirement 3. Prepare a list of your regular home duties or chores (at least five).

Fingerprinting:

Scouts should wear something black or something they don't mind getting inked. Please note, this class only typically takes about an hour. Scouts also bring something else to do if they need or would like to stay the whole class period - preferably this is not a cell phone.

First Aid:

Scouts should read over and be familiar with all the requirements of this merit badge.

Game Design:

Scouts should bring a notebook and graph paper. They can print a couple sheets from available templates online if they don't have graph paper from school.

Personal Management:

Scouts taking this merit badge shall be First Class or above.

Merit Badge Counselor highly encourages you to have the merit badge pamphlet with you at the fair, and would like you to have looked through the pamphlet and have read through it before the fair.

Requirements to work on and come to the fair prepared for specifically are:

2 a. Prepare outline budget form that takes 13 weeks

8. Demonstrate to your merit badge counselor your understanding of time management by doing the following:

- a. Write a to-do list
- **b.** Make a seven-day calendar or schedule
- c. Follow the one-week schedule you planned

d. Review your to-do list, one-week schedule and diary /journal to understand when

your schedule worked and when it did not work.

9. Prepare a written project plan with desired outcome. Does not need to be real-life

project, just an example of.

- a. Define project and goal
- **b.** develop timeline for your project and steps from start to completion
- c. Describe project

d. Develop list of resources and how they will help you achieve your goal.

e. Develop a budget for your project.

10. a. Choose a career you might want to enter

b. Research the limitations of your anticipated career

Scouts should check the merit badge pamphlet for a full description of the above requirement

Public Speaking:

Scouts should be prepared to give a 3 minute introduction of themselves.

Surveying:

Scouts need to be First Class or above, or 13+.