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PHSC82 **American Heritage (2014 version)**



Every Scout swears to an oath that includes duty to his country. A better understanding of American heritage, the ways in which the past has lead to our present nation, is key to truly knowing what it means to be an American.
Linked Requirements: American Heritage
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 2, 3

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PHSC73 **American Indian Culture (2024 version)**



Far different from the stereotypes or common images that are portrayed on film, on television, and in many books and stories, American Indians have many different cultures, languages, religions, styles of dress, and ways of life. To learn about these different groups is to take an exciting journey of discovery in which you will meet some of America's most fascinating peoples.
Linked Requirements: American Indian Culture
Notes and Prerequisites: None

Added to catalog:
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3 periods

PHSC71 **Animation (2015 version)**



In Animation merit badge you'll learn how to create animations, the ways in which animation is used and the fun and exciting career opportunities in animation.
Linked Requirements: Animation
Notes and Prerequisites: None

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PHSC72 **Artificial Intelligence (AI) (2025 version)**



The Artificial Intelligence (AI) Merit Badge introduces Scouts to the fundamentals of AI and automation through hands-on activities and real-world examples. Scouts learn key terms, explore how AI and automation are used in daily life, school, and work, and examine ethical concerns like bias and privacy. They also investigate deepfakes, practice communicating effectively with AI, and apply their knowledge through a project or teaching activity. Finally, Scouts explore career paths in AI by researching or interviewing professionals in the field.
Linked Requirements: Artificial Intelligence (AI)
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 2a,2b,2c,3a,3b,3c,7,8

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3 periods

PHSC43 **Citizenship in the Community**



A nation is a patchwork of communities that differ from each other and may be governed differently. But regardless of how local communities differ, they all have one point in common: In the United States, local government means self-government. Good citizens help to make decisions about their community through their elected local officials.
Linked Requirements: Citizenship in the Community
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. Be ready to discuss 1 and 6.

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PHSC7 **Citizenship in the Nation**



As Scouts fulfill the requirements for this merit badge, they will learn how to become active citizens are aware of and grateful for their liberties and rights, to participate in their governments and protect their freedom, helping to defend their country and standing up for individual rights on behalf of all its citizens.
Linked Requirements: Citizenship in the Nation
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: #5, #7 (2 of 4 activities), write out answers to all requirements and be ready to discuss in class.

Added to catalog:
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3 periods

PHSC39 **Citizenship in the World**



Scouts who earn the Citizenship in the World merit badge will discover that they are already a citizen of the world. How good a citizen each person is depends on their willingness to understand and appreciate the values, traditions and concerns of the people in other countries.
Linked Requirements: Citizenship in the World
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: #3 (a,b), #4 (a,b,c - complete 2), #7(a,b,c,d,e- complete 2) write out answers to all requirements and be ready to discuss in class.

Added to catalog:
01-08-2026
3 periods

PHSC74 **Cybersecurity (2025 version)**



The Cybersecurity Merit Badge equips Scouts with essential knowledge and skills to navigate and protect the digital world. Scouts learn about online safety, ethical behavior, cyber threats, and how to defend against them using tools like firewalls, antivirus software, and strong passwords. They explore encryption, connected devices, and the risks of public Wi-Fi, while also practicing safe habits like updating software and backing up data. Through hands-on activities, Scouts investigate real-world cyber incidents, participate in cybersecurity challenges, and explore career opportunities in the field.
Linked Requirements: Cybersecurity
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1a,4e,4f,5c,6,8,9

Added to catalog:
09-24-2026
3 periods

PHSC80 **Digital Technology (2026 version)**



Comprehend how electronic devices work and how to use them effectively with the Digital Technology Merit Badge. Scouts will give a brief history of the changes in digital technology and discuss how technology today compares with the technology available to previous generations-all while imagining what kinds of devices might be available to them in the future.
Linked Requirements: Digital Technology
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1, 5, 6.

Added to catalog:
10-01-2026
2 periods

PHSC47 **Electricity**



Electricity is a powerful and fascinating force of nature. As early as 600 b.c., observers of the physical world suspected that electricity existed but did not have a name for it. In fact, real progress in unraveling the mystery of electricity has come only within the last 250 years.
Linked Requirements: Electricity

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Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 2,7

PHSC15 **Family Life (A)**



The family is the basic unit of society and is important to both individuals and communities. The world is rapidly changing, making today's society much more complex than ever before. As Scouts earn this merit badge, they will realize why it is important to know more about family life and how to strengthen their families.
Linked Requirements: Family Life
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6. Be ready to discuss 2 and 7.

Added to catalog:
01-08-2026
3 periods

PHSC52 **Family Life (B)**



The family is the basic unit of society and is important to both individuals and communities. The world is rapidly changing, making today's society much more complex than ever before. As Scouts earn this merit badge, they will realize why it is important to know more about family life and how to strengthen their families.
Linked Requirements: Family Life
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6. Be ready to discuss 2 and 7.

Added to catalog:
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2 periods

PHSC83 **First Aid (2025 version)**



First aid-caring for injured or ill persons until they can receive professional medical care-is an important skill for every Scout. With some knowledge of first aid, a Scout can provide immediate care and help to someone who is hurt or who becomes ill. First aid can help prevent infection and serious loss of blood. It could even save a limb or a life.
Linked Requirements: First Aid
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1. Be first Class or higher in rank OR have completed all of the first aid requirements required for Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class (note from Scoutmaster) [Req 1].
2. Bring a first aid kit prepared for home (or a picture of contents) [Req 5a].
3. Proof of inspection of Troop first aid kit and ability to describe contents (note from Scoutmaster) [Req 5b].
4. Knowledge and ability to discuss location of AED at school, house of worship, and Troop meeting space [7e].
6. Bring a triangular bandage (larger than a standard neckerchief).

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4 periods

PHSC78 **Law (2025 version)**



Earning this merit badge enables a Scout to learn about the history and kinds of laws, the purpose and methods of law enforcement, consumer protection agencies, emerging law, and careers in the legal profession.
Linked Requirements: Law
Notes and Prerequisites: None

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PHSC79 **Personal Fitness (2026 version)**



Personal fitness is an individual effort and desire to be the best one can be. Regardless of their current levels of personal fitness, in the twelve weeks it will take Scouts to complete the athletic requirements for this merit badge, they will be in better shape, feel better about themselves, have more energy, and gain self-confidence in their overall abilities.
Linked Requirements: Personal Fitness
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 4, 5, 6, 7. Be ready to discuss 1, 2, 3, 8.

Added to catalog:
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3 periods

PHSC53 **Personal Management (A)**



Personal management is about mapping a plan for your life that will involve setting short-range and long-range goals and investigating different ways to reach those goals. Education, training, and experience all help make your goals become a reality. To achieve your goals, you will choose the best path and make a commitment to it, while remaining flexible enough to deal with changes and new opportunities.
Linked Requirements: Personal Management
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10. be ready to discuss 3,4,5,6

Added to catalog:
01-01-2025
3 periods

PHSC18 **Personal Management (B)**



Personal management is about mapping a plan for your life that will involve setting short-range and long-range goals and investigating different ways to reach those goals. Education, training, and experience all help make your goals become a reality. To achieve your goals, you will choose the best path and make a commitment to it, while remaining flexible enough to deal with changes and new opportunities.
Linked Requirements: Personal Management
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10. be ready to discuss 3,4,5,6

Added to catalog:
01-08-2026
2 periods

PHSC84 **Public Health (2026 version)**



The field of public health deals with maintaining and monitoring the health of communities, and with the detection, cure, and prevention of health risks and diseases. Although public health is generally seen as a community-oriented service, it actually starts with the individual. From a single individual to the family unit to the smallest isolated rural town to the worldwide global community, one person can influence the health of many.
Linked Requirements: Public Health
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 8

Added to catalog:
10-13-2026
2 periods

PHSC77 **Public Speaking (2003 version)**



A lot happens during the course of every person's life and your ability to communicate your feelings and ideas is the best way to connect to the larger world. Even if you haven't stood at a podium on the stage and find the whole idea scary, sooner or later, someone is going to ask you to get up and say a few words. If you are prepared, it won't be scary. It can even be fun.
Linked Requirements: Public Speaking
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1

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PHSC64 **Radio**



Radio is a way to send information, or communications, from one place to another. Broadcasting includes both one-way radio (a person hears the information but can't reply) as well as two-way radio (where the same person can both receive and send messages).
Linked Requirements: Radio
Notes and Prerequisites: None

Added to catalog:
01-08-2026
4 periods

PHSC76 **Railroading (2022 version)**



By earning this badge, Scouts can learn about the history of railroading, its place in modern society, careers in railroading, and hobbies related to railroading.
Linked Requirements: Railroading
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 2a, 7a or b

Added to catalog:
09-24-2026
2 periods

PHSC85 **Scholarship (2005 version)**



Working on the Scholarship merit badge provides Scouts with a great opportunity to become more successful in school. They will learn how to improve their skills in the classroom, develop good study habits, and master techniques for writing reports and taking tests.
Linked Requirements: Scholarship
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1,2,3,4,5. Be Prepared to share and discuss 2 and 5.

Added to catalog:
10-13-2026
2 periods

PHSC87 **Sustainability (2024 version)**



Learn to reduce waste and teach sustainable practices to others so you can help conserve Earth's resources with the Sustainability Merit Badge. Scouts will develop and implement a plan to reduce their water usage, household food waste, and learn about the sustainability of different energy sources, including fossil fuels, solar, wind, nuclear, hydropower, and geothermal.
Linked Requirements: Sustainability
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1 and 5b

Added to catalog:
10-27-2026
3 periods

PHSC69 **Traffic Safety (2022 version)**



Staying safe in traffic wherever you live is getting more difficult all the time, as more and more people take to the road. Earning the Traffic Safety merit badge and will give Scouts some crucial tools to stay safer, when driving a car on a highway, riding a bike across town, or jogging across a busy street.
Linked Requirements: Traffic Safety
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 8

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PHSC81 **Truck Transportation (2006 version)**



Trucking is a large and important industry. No matter where you live, a day is unlikely to go by when you will not see a truck. We use these vehicles to deliver almost every material item we buy. Without trucks, our economy would not work efficiently.
Linked Requirements: Truck Transportation
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1,2 a-c, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9

Added to catalog:
10-12-2026
2 periods

PHSC86 **Wildland Fire Management (2026 version)**



Linked Requirements: Wildland Fire Management
Notes and Prerequisites: Prerequisites: 1,2,5C,6B, 9 (complete 1 of 5), 10, 11. Be ready to discuss all in class.

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4 periods