

White River Trails District 2017 Merit Badge Fair



Saturday, April 8, 2017
8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Bedford North Lawrence High School
595 Stars Boulevard
Bedford, IN 47421

Cost: \$7.00 per person

The 4th Annual White River Trails District Merit Badge Fair will take place on Saturday, April 8th, at Bedford North Lawrence High School. The high school is located just two miles east of Bedford off of U.S. Highway 50. The cost of the event is \$7.00 per person and helps to cover the cost of school custodial staff, insurance, and an event patch. **LUNCH WILL NOT BE PROVIDED AT THIS EVENT. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH.**

In addition to Boy Scout merit badges and rank advancements, we will be offering a limited number of Webelos adventure pin classes and adult leader training opportunities. Make sure to check out the list of available courses in the following pages!

General Information

BSA REGISTRATION

Each youth must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America in order to participate in the events. A completed application form including parental information and signatures must be present at check-in for all prospective Scouts who are not yet registered. At least one (1) adult should be on-site at the Merit Badge Fair for each unit at all times.

FEES AND REGISTRATION

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Units may register online via the Hoosier Trails Council calendar at <http://www.HoosierTrailsBSA.org>. The cost of registration will be \$7.00 per person. Registrations received after 5:00 PM on Friday, March 24th, will **NOT** be guaranteed an event patch.

****Registration closes Sunday, April 2nd, 2017, at 11:59 PM.****

ALTERING CLASS REGISTRATIONS

You will be able to return to your registration at any time prior to the close of registration to adjust schedules for participants. Please be sure to save the confirmation e-mail from your initial registration as you will need the e-mail address and registration number associated with it in order to make any changes. Should you run into any difficulties, contact Jason Triplett via e-mail at jason.triplett@scouting.org.

CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

Our check-in station will open at 8:00 AM in the lobby of the Auxiliary Gym. Please enter the parking lot through Gate #3 and use the doors at Entrance #20. Signs will be in place the day of the event. Any unpaid registration fees are due at check-in. Your unit will receive a packet including a schedule summary for the Scouts registered in your unit as well as any updates to the day's events. After registration, please report to the Auxiliary Gym for the event's opening.

LUNCH

Lunch is not included with this event. Participants will need to bring their own lunch. Due to the location of the school in relation to most dining options, we do not recommend relying on running into Bedford for food during the break.

REPORTING

Thanks to the new 24/7 Scouting event management software from Black Pug, we are going to attempt to make it possible to retrieve merit badge progress after the conclusion of the event. You will likely need the e-mail address and registration number from your initial registration, so be sure to save this information where you can return to it at a later date! More information will be provided at the Merit Badge Fair on this availability.

2017 Merit Badge Classes

Unless otherwise listed, all classes are limited to 20 Scouts.

AVIATION

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 3:50 PM (All-Day Course)

Class limited to 10 Scouts

Counselor: Larry Phelps

larry.phelps@nwcable.net

Prerequisites: **Req. #5:** Scouts should identify three career opportunities in aviation, then select the one of greatest interest to them and identify the education, training, and experience required for this position.

Scouts will be going off-site in class. Transportation assistance is needed!

CHESS

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Class limited to 16 Scouts

Counselor: Kevin Goldman

kevin.goldman@scouting.org

Prerequisites: None

CITIZENSHIP IN THE NATION

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Julie Hadley

jhadley5595@gmail.com

Prerequisites: **Req. #2:** Scouts must complete TWO of the four options provided.

Req. #8: Scouts must be able to name their two U.S. Senators and the Congressman from their district. They must write a letter about a national issue and send it to one of these officials, then show the letter and any return correspondence to the counselor.

CITIZENSHIP IN THE WORLD

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Andy Davis, Sr.

ardavis1998@gmail.com

Prerequisites: None

COMMUNICATION

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Julinda Adams
julindabryan@gmx.com

Prerequisites: **Req. #2:** Scouts should come to class prepared to make the presentation listed for ONE of the two options.
Req. #4: Scouts need to interview someone they know fairly well, like, or respect because of his or her position, talent, career, or life experiences. Scouts should use the information from this interview to prepare an introduction as though the person were a guest speaker and show how to invite the person to be a speaker.
Req. #5: Attend a public meeting where several points of view are given on one issue. Prepare an objective report that includes all points of view given.
Req. #7: Scouts must complete ONE of the three options provided.
Req. #8: Plan a Court of Honor, campfire program, or interfaith worship service. Have the Patrol Leaders' Council approve it, write the script, prepare the program, and serve as the Master of Ceremonies.

COOKING

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Counselors: J.J. Goldsberry
jgoldsb@purdue.edu

Prerequisites: **Req. #4:** Counselor(s) will work with Scouts to begin Parts A and B and provide knowledge to work toward future requirements. Parts C, D, and E will not be completed in class.
Req. #5: This requirement will not be completed in class.
Req. #6: This requirement will not be completed in class.

CRIME PREVENTION

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Sheriff Mike Branham
mbranham@lawrencecounty.in.gov

Prerequisites: **Req. #2:** Scouts need to prepare their own notebook with clippings as listed.
Scouts will be going off-site in class. Transportation assistance is needed!

DENTISTRY

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Counselors: Drs. Michael & Courtney Miskuf
bedforddental@ymail.com

Prerequisites: None

Scouts will be going off-site in class. Transportation assistance is needed!

DISABILITIES AWARENESS

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Counselor: Kevin Trojan
kevin.trojan@scouting.org

Prerequisites: **Req. #2:** Visit an agency that works with people with physical, mental, emotional, or educational disabilities. Collect and read information about the agency's activities. Learn about opportunities its members have for training, employment, and education.
Req. #5: Scouts must complete ONE of the three options provided.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Session Offered: 1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Kevin Trojan
kevin.trojan@scouting.org

Prerequisites: **Req. #3:** Identify and interview an individual who has started a business. Learn about their background, where the idea for the business came from, and what was involved in the start-up of the business. Ask about the capital raised, any successes and challenges, and the business's current status.

FAMILY LIFE

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Sharon Lake
sw41951@aol.com

Prerequisites: **Req. #3:** Scouts must keep a record of chore completion for 90 days.
Req. #4: Scouts must complete an *individual* project to benefit the family.
Req. #5: Scouts must complete a *group* project to benefit the family.
Req. #6: Scouts must take part in a family meeting to complete Part B. While these requirements will not be completed in class, the counselor will work with Scouts to understand how to complete the requirements and develop the plans as needed.

FIRE SAFETY

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Richard Vandagriff
richardvandagriff@yahoo.com

Prerequisites: **Req. #6:** Scouts must complete Part A at home (draw a fire escape plan, create a fire drill schedule, and carry out a fire drill)
Req. #12: Determine if smoke detectors are required in your municipality. Identify which type(s) your home should have, and which type(s) you currently have in your home.

FIRST AID

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Beth Skees

Prerequisites: **Req. #1:** Scouts must provide a statement from the Scoutmaster.
Req. #2: Scouts must prepare a first aid kit in advance of the class and bring.

MEDICINE

Sessions Offered: [Sessions Offered]

[Sessions Offered]

Counselor: [Counselor Name]

[Counselor E-Mail]

Prerequisites: [Prerequisites]

NATURE

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Counselor: Patty Phelps
patty.phelps@nwcable.net

Prerequisites: None; Scouts will have some follow-up requirements based on the nature available to view around the school and long-term observation requirements.

PERSONAL FITNESS

Session Offered: 1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Rachel Beyer
rbeyer@purdue.edu

Prerequisites: **Req. #1:** For Part A, Scouts should have a physical completed.
Req. #7 & #8: Cannot be completed at event (12-week plan).

PERSONAL MANAGEMENT

Sessions Offered: [Sessions Offered]
[Sessions Offered]
Counselor: [Counselor Name]
[Counselor E-Mail]
Prerequisites: [Prerequisites]

PUBLIC HEALTH

Session Offered: 1:00 PM – 3:50 PM
Counselor: Karin DuBois
dubois4@purdue.edu
Prerequisites: **Req. #5:** Scouts must complete ONE of the two options provided.

RAILROADING

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
1:00 PM – 3:50 PM
Counselor: Randy Blevins
randy.blevins@inrd.com
Prerequisites: **Req. #2:** Scouts must complete Part A involving the planning of a trip.
Req. #8: Scouts should choose either Part A or Part B to complete and choose two (2) of the provided options to complete.

SPORTS

Session Offered: 1:00 PM – 3:50 PM
Counselor: David Boblitt
davidboblitt@gmail.com
Prerequisites: Requirements #4 and #5 can be completed in advance of the class. Scouts will go over establishment of a training program and tracking progress, as well as rules, etiquette, and equipment of sports.

WILDERNESS SURVIVAL

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 3:50 PM (All-Day Course)
Class limited to 10 Scouts
Counselor: Ed Barrett
ehb1958@hotmail.com
Prerequisites: **Req. #8:** Build a survival shelter and spend one (1) night in it.

2017 Rank Badge Classes

DRY EAGLE QUEST

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: [Counselor Name]
[Counselor E-Mail]

Prerequisites: None

WET EAGLE QUEST

Sessions Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

1:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Counselor: Ron Belakiewicz
rbelakiewicz@yahoo.com

Prerequisites: None

2017 Webelos Adventure Pin Classes

AWARE & CARE

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
Counselor: Kevin Goldman
kevin.goldman@scouting.org
Prerequisites: None

ENGINEER

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 11:50 AM
Counselor: David Boblitt
davidboblitt@gmail.com
Prerequisites: None

GAME DESIGN

Session Offered: 1:00 PM – 3:50 PM
Counselor: Albert Cross III
sezrakhan@gmail.com
Prerequisites: None

INTO THE WILD

Session Offered: 1:00 PM – 3:50 PM
Counselor: Patty Phelps
patty.phelps@nwcable.net
Prerequisites: Scouts will complete Requirements #4, #6, #7, and #8. They will need to complete two (2) additional requirements to complete the badge. Scouts may complete the work in advance and bring in their work to the counselor.

2017 Adult Leader Training Classes

INTERNET ADVANCEMENT REPORTING

Session Offered: 9:00 AM – 10:20 AM

Instructor: Jason Triplett
jason.triplett@scouting.org

INTERNET SERVICE HOUR REPORTING

Session Offered: 10:30 AM – 11:50 AM

Instructor: Jason Triplett
jason.triplett@scouting.org

MEET YOUR WRT DISTRICT EXECUTIVE!

Session Offered: 1:00 PM – 2:20 PM

Instructor: Rod Kates
[Counselor E-Mail]

UNIT JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE

Session Offered: 2:30 PM – 3:50 PM

Instructor: Rod Kates
[Counselor E-Mail]

Schedule of Events

8:00 AM	Check-In Opens.....	Auxiliary Gym Lobby
8:45 AM	Opening Ceremony.....	Auxiliary Gym
9:00 AM	Merit Badge Class Session #1	Classrooms
	Adventure Pin Class Session #1	
	Adult Leader Training Session #1	
10:30 AM	Adult Leader Training Session #2	Classrooms
12:00 PM	Lunch.....	Auxiliary Gym
1:00 PM	Merit Badge Class Session #2	Classrooms
	Adventure Pin Class Session #2	
	Adult Leader Training Session #3	
2:30 PM	Adult Leader Training Session #4	Classrooms
4:00 PM	Closing Ceremony	Auxiliary Gym