

Alligator District Merit Badge Day Guide

Merit Badge Day April 27, 2024
Faith Lutheran Church, Naples, Florida

Welcome to Merit Badge Day. This is an opportunity for all ages of Scouts to earn merit badges of their choosing. Class sizes are limited, please register early as placement is based on a first completed registration basis.

The purpose of Merit Badge day is to give Scouts an opportunity to begin, continue or even complete a merit badge of their choosing. Some merit badges presented during this merit badge day will be able to be completed in their entirety at this event, others had pre or post requisites that must be completed outside of the course.

Check In

Upon arrival to Faith Lutheran Church, please sign in at the check-in desk in the lobby. From here, you will be directed to the meeting space for the morning course you are registered for. During the lunch break, again, sign in to the afternoon sessions at the check-in desk in the lobby and you will be directed to your next meeting space.

Lunch

Brown bag lunch is required as there are no dining facilities nor food located on premises. Please bring what you need to satisfy you through the entire course. A lunch period is designated. A water bottle is required. and clean water is available.

Check Out

All Scouts are required to sign out before being dismissed from Merit Badge Day. Scouts are permitted to leave at the end of the first session, but must sign out before doing so. Parents should be prepared to pick up their youth immediately following the end of the course at 4:00 PM. Please be aware that all Merit Badge Day cadre will depart the facility by 4:30 PM.

Environment

These courses will be held in a conference or classroom, with temperatures varying and non-adjustable. The Traffic Safety, Weather, Photography, First Aid and Fingerprinting courses may include outdoor components. Please dress accordingly for all environments. Separate indoor facilities for both men and women will be available at all times during the day.

Requirements

Smart phones are required for in-course research and visits to online museums. Not all meeting facilities have WIFI, yet it will be posted whenever available. It is highly advisable to bring a pen/pencil and writing paper to write on and take notes during the courses. Please read the course pamphlet before your scheduled course; at:

<https://www.scouting.org/skills/merit-badges/>

Course Selection

Merit badge courses are presented in both a morning 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM session and an afternoon 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM session. Scouts may select both a morning and an afternoon merit badge course. By referencing the course schedule chart, you will notice that First Aid and Traffic Safety are longer courses and only Fingerprinting or American Cultures may be taken as the second afternoon course.

Although there are no age limits on individual courses, as every Scout learns at their own pace; all Scouts might not complete all of the requirements designated for the day. This is not an issue, as any in-completed requirements can be completed at the troop level.

Course schedule chart

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Morning Sessions										Afternoon Sessions											
7:30 AM	8:00 AM	8:30 AM	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	10:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	11:30 AM	12:00 PM	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	4:00 PM	4:30 PM			
Scout Drop-off	Law									Lunch	Weather									Scout Check-out	
	Citizenship in the World										Citizenship in the Nation										
	First Aid										First Aid			American Cultures							
	Check-In	Personal Management									American Business										
		Photography									American Heritage										
		Citizenship in the Community									Boarder and Title										
		Traffic Safety									Traffic Safety			Fingerprinting							

Key	
	Eagle Required Merit Badge
	Merit Badge
	Non-Course time
	Boarder and Title

NOTE: The American Cultures and Fingerprinting merit badge courses may only be taken if you are taking a First Aid or Traffic Safety Course. You may still choose which of the two courses you would like to take.

Example 1: You may take First Aid and Fingerprinting OR American Cultures.

Example 2: You may not take Citizenship in the Community and Fingerprinting, because that leaves you with two hours of sitting around waiting, and we don't have the space or personnel to accommodate this.

Example 3: You may take Citizenship in the Community and Weather OR American Business OR American Heritage or Citizenship of the Nation.

Course Prerequisites Chart

These items should be completed before attending the course.

Completed prior to class		
Citizenship in the World	X	Read Pamphlet
Citizenship in the Nation	X	Read Pamphlet
Citizenship in the Community	X	Read Pamphlet
Personal Management	X	Read Pamphlet
First Aid	5	Read Pamphlet
Law	X	Read Pamphlet
Weather	X	Read Pamphlet
Traffic Safety	X	Read Pamphlet
Photography	X	Read Pamphlet
Fingerprinting	X	Read Pamphlet
American Heritage	X	Read Pamphlet
American Business	X	Read Pamphlet
American Cultures	X	Read Pamphlet

Course Itinerary Completions

This chart denotes the specific merit badge requirements that will be completed during the individual courses, and the requirements not completed during the course, that will be required to be completed outside of this course setting.

Completed in-class													Not completed inclass			
Citizenship in the world	1	2	3	4	5	6	7*							Citizenship in the world	7*	
Citizenship in the Nation	1	2	3	4	6									Citizenship in the Nation	5 7	
Citizenship in the Community	1	2	3	4	5	6	7a	7b						Citizenship in the Community	7c 8	
Personal Management	1a	1b.1	1b.3	1c.1	1c.2	1c	3	4	5	6	7	8a	8b	9	10	
First Aid	1	2*	3*	6a	6b.1	6b.2	6b.4	6b.5	6b.6	6b.7				Personal Management	1b.2 2	
Law	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			First Aid	2* 3* 4 5 6a.3	
Weather	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9*	10*	11			Law	x	
Traffic safety	1	2	3	4	5									Weather	9* 10*	
Photography	1	2	3	4	5	6	8							Traffic safety	x	
Finger printing	1	2	3	4	5									Photography	7	
American Heritage	1	2	3	4	5	6								Finger printing	x	
American Business	1	2	3	4	5	6								American Heritage	x	
American Cultures	1	2	3	4	5	6								American Business	x	
														American Cultures	x	

Expectations

The cadre of Merit Badge Counselors are volunteering their time and expertise to assist each Scout with earning the merit badge of their choice. Please be respectful of this by being prepared to learn, listening, asking questions and being involved in the program. As these courses are carefully designed to maximize time in order to ensure completion of as much of each merit badge as possible, any disruptions or horse play may impede this, and lead to not completing requirements or being dismissed from the course.