Summer Camp

2023



2023 Summer Camp Information Troop 1705 D-A -- Riverside Campsite July 8 – July 15

Please visit:

troop1705.com/summercamp

For up-to date information and forms!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER



SUMMER CAMP 2023 **TROOP 1705** July 8 – 15



March 20, 2023

- Payment Due \$150.00
- (see back for more information)
- → SCHEDULE FORM due
- → Campership Applications Due (April 1st)

April 24, 2023

→ ALL MONEY DUE FOR CAMP [\$50.00 late fee assessed after this date]

May 15, 2023

- → T-SHIRT REQUEST/ORDER FORM Due & TENT USE FORM Due
 - * This is an online google form (see troop1705.com/summercamp/ for link)

June 5, 2023 (@ Picnic)

- * Annual Health and Medical Record Form
- **★** Copy of Insurance card (front and back)
- ★ Routine Drug Administration Form(s)
- * D-A OTC Drug Administration Form
- **☀ Dietary Restriction Form**

**Note: you can always turn forms and payments in BEFORE the due date!

All Forms and Dates are also listed on the troop website:

troop1705.com/summercamp

2023 Summer Camp Highlights.....



- Camp Price Increase -- total cost = \$380.00 Refer to page 3 for details and discounts.
- Adult fee = \$200 full week OR \$40 day for part-timers + \$20 for food on Sat/Sun
- New / Improved / Featured this year at D-A:
 - > Camp Starts Saturday, July 8
 - ➤ Merit Badges We are back to the traditional camp schedule, 6 sessions, 1 hour each.
 - Ranch Hand (Animal Science, Veterinary Medicine, Farm Mechanics, Welding)
 - Metalwork, Leatherwork, and Climbing are back!
 - ➤ Greenhorn Patrol program (1st year at camp) Includes Shooting Sports & Horseback Ride
- Water bottle is **REQUIRED** and MUST be carried by the Scout at ALL times!!!!
- Please remember your rain gear
- No mess kit required. BUT... bring a mug to use at the campsite.
- All **entrances** to camp **will be locked**, other than the main entrance off of Sutton Rd. at Martin Admin Bldg.
- ***** Family Night:
 - 5pm 7:30pm Wednesday Night Western Night / BBQ (BUT Scouts MUST stay until Sat)!
- Class "A" uniform required for all Scouts.
- Merit Badge requirements based on 2023 requirements handbook. Sign up for merit badges with your Scoutmaster by March 15. IF the requirements change, camp will let us know.
- **ADULTS:** (see page 6 for details)
 - o **Every adult**, who is staying at least one night at camp MUST:
 - 1. Have valid Youth Protection Training Certification (YPT)
 - 2. Be registered in the BSA
 - 3. Have Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS) clearance
 - 4. Have a completed medical form (A, B, & C) WITH a doctor's signature
 - 5. Have a completed Liability Release Form
- When you <u>arrive</u> at camp --- <u>FIRST THING TO DO</u>...



Check in with your Scoutmaster



TROOP 1705 SUMMER CAMP 2023



Attention: Scouts and Parents,

Contained in this packet is important information about Troop 1705's Summer Camp. Please take a few minutes of your time and go over it **very carefully!**

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

The Boy Scouts of America is the nation's foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training. In the future Scouting will continue to offer young people responsible fun and adventure; instill in young people lifetime values and develop in them ethical character as expressed in the Scout Oath and Law; train young people in citizenship, service, and leadership; serve America's communities and families with its quality, values-based program.

The values we strive to instill are based on those found in the Scout Oath, Law, Motto, and Slogan.

Scout Law A Scout is: Trustworthy Loyal Helpful Friendly Courteous Kind Obedient Cheerful Thrifty Brave Clean Reverent	Scout Oath On my honor I will do my best To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight Outdoor Code As an American, I will do my best to: Be clean in my outdoor manners, Be careful with fire, Be considerate in the outdoors, and Be conservation minded
Scout Motto	Scout Slogan
Be Prepared	Do A Good Turn Daily

Let these rules dictate how you live your life; at camp as well as outside of camp. Doing so will make your life more enjoyable. In addition, people around you will be influenced and encouraged by your positive example.

Be an example for others!

Cost:

The cost for Summer Camp this year is \$380 which includes 8 days and 7 nights, all food, camping fees, a terrific program and a T-shirt.

- 1st Payment of \$150 is due March, 20th, 2023
- All money is due Tuesday, April 24th, 2023
- After April 24th, a \$50.00 late fee is required. A late fee is imposed by the Council not the troop; so, please turn in your fees on time!
- You can ALWAYS turn your fees in early!
- Remember to use your funds in your **Scout** account!
- A Scout should never feel he cannot attend camp because of the lack of funds. There is always a way to attend camp. Contact Mr. Delaney if you have questions.
- A payment plan is OK. We just need to know you are coming!
- Payments may be made by Venmo (troop1705) or by check payable to BSA Troop 1705.
- Email the Troop Treasurer at 1705treasurer@gmail.com to make check payments or to inquire as to how much is in your Scout Account.

Special Notes and Payment Incentives

Scouting families who send more than one Scout to the same program <u>at the same time</u> will receive \$25.00 off the second Scout.

Refund Policy

- A full refund will be made for all camper fees, if the request is made in writing and received by the Council Camping Department by May 31, 2023, less a \$57 administration fee..
- NO REFUNDS made after May 31, 2023.
- IF camp is canceled by BSA or Council a 100% refund will be given.

Campership Assistance

No Scout should miss camp because he or his family can't afford it. If any scout cannot afford the full camp fee he may apply for a **campership**. The Great Lakes Council campership fund has a sum of money available to assist registered youth members of the Great Lakes Council to participate in a summer camping experience.

Eligibility

To be eligible for financial assistance a youth must be:

- 1 Registered and in good standing in his unit.
- 2. In need of financial help in order to attend summer camp.
- 3. Recommended for aid by his unit leader.

Process:

1) Parents must complete the worksheet and submit online:

Link → https://247scouting.com/forms/272-2023MCCScholarshiprequest

Deadline for campership applications → March 31st

Dates of Camp:

July 8, 2023 to July 15, 2023 (Saturday) to (Saturday)

Camp Location:

We will be at RIVERSIDE campsite this year which is at D-A Scout Ranch in Metamora, MI. (see attached map). Please **ENTER D-A thru the main gate off Sutton Road.**

Mailing Address:

Scout (name) Troop - 1705
D-BAR-A Scout Ranch -- Riverside Campsite
880 E. Sutton Rd.
Metamora, MI 48455



Camp Emergency Phone:

Emergency Phone Number 1-810-245-2250

<u>NOTE</u>: Although a phone is available at camp for the Scout to call home, an adult **must** be with the scout each time he calls. Parents, if your son does call home, **ask him** if he has permission to do so.

Arrival & Departure Times:

Arrive ----> Saturday, July 8...... between 3:00pm - 4:00pm (eat lunch BEFORE arriving)
Departure --> Saturday, July 15...... arrive for pickup at 10:00am

When you arrive, follow the instructions on the sign located by the gate. Each Scout will be given a check-in form to complete.

No one is to leave before Saturday, July 15, and not until the campsite is inspected and approved by the Senior Patrol Leader, and Scoutmaster, and all troop gear is packed. Each Scout will be given a check-out form to follow. We usually have a small awards ceremony just before we leave.

NOTE: As a courtesy to those affected, all Scouts who are involved with summer sports should inform their coaches that while they are at camp, they will not be able to attend practices or games.

Transportation:

Each Scout is responsible for his own transportation to and from camp. Carpooling is allowed.

Uniforms:

All Scouts <u>must</u> have a full class "A" uniform at camp! We will be wearing them to evening meals and all camp ceremonies. **ARRIVE** at camp on Saturday, July 8, 2023 **WEARING** your **COMPLETE CLASS** "A" uniform. Your uniform **WILL** be inspected when you arrive. Many Scouts have "forgotten" some of their uniform parts in the past. Hopefully, this practice will solve this problem!

Note: If you forget to arrive in uniform, you will be asked to change into your uniform **BEFORE** you can check in and **BEFORE** your parent(s) may leave.

T-Shirt:

Each scout will receive one class "B" scout summer camp t-shirt. If others are desired, they can be purchased for \$15.00 each. Remember to complete the **T-SHIRT REQUEST - ORDER FORM** by **May 15, 2023**. If you do not turn in the Request Form by May 15, the Scout will receive a "best guess" size.

Note: ONLY SCOUTS ATTENDING SUMMER CAMP may purchase the summer camp t-shirt.

Spending Money:

The Summer Camp fee includes all meals, and most activities. There is a Trading Post at camp which offers pop and snacks. \$15 to \$20 is probably more than adequate spending money, unless your son is planning to spend money on the following items:

- > Souvenirs (camp T-shirts, hats, etc.)
- ➤ Merit Badge Books (\$5.99 ea.) (check our troop library FIRST)
- ➤ Basketry, Leatherwork, Woodcarving projects (\$6 to \$15 ea.)
- > \$15 for Horseback riding trail rides

<u>NOTE</u>: The Scoutmaster can act as banker if you want. Parents should give him the money when you check-in at camp. <u>Small bills</u> would be **VERY** much appreciated.

Family Visits to Camp:

You are welcome to visit your son anytime during the week. However, as you will see by reading the attached schedule, camp is VERY full with activities. Past experience has shown, if your son is waiting on you because of traffic or some other unforeseen problem, he misses other activities important to him.

- **Solution** Food is NOT available for visitors.
- **Remember**: all adults 21 and older MUST have a DHS form from the State of Michigan.

<u>Important</u>: Parents.... PLEASE..... do **not** ask to take your son home Friday night. The camping experience does not end until the last tent is down on Saturday.

Dining Hall Service

All meals are served at the Jack Lord dining hall and are cafeteria style, by troop. Menus have been planned and reviewed by a dietitian to be sure your Scouts have well balanced meals. Food is prepared in the central kitchen by qualified cooks and staff. Scouts and Scouters will use disposable eating utensils for all meals. **IF you have ANY special dietary needs**, complete the **Dietary Restriction Notification Form** and give to your Scoutmaster – by June 1.

COVID Information

No Restrictions!

Adults Staying Overnight at Camp

EVERY adult, that is staying at least one night at camp, MUST:

- 1. Be registered in the BSA you MUST attach your YPT certification to the BSA application!
- 2. Successfully complete BSA Youth Protection Training (YPT) within the past 24 months
- 3. Have Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS) clearance within the past 12 months
- 4. Have a completed medical form (all parts) with a doctor's signature
- 5. The Troop must have a signed Liability Waver on file for you.

There is **NO EXCEPTION** to the above rules. Please see Mr. Delaney or Mr. Johnson for the BSA application. All forms are available on the troop website: troop1705.com/summercamp

The DHS form **is to be completed by you**, sent to the address IN THE STATE INSTRUCTIONS and when clearance is received, a copy must be sent to Mr. Kuefler for the troop records.

Please allow 4-6 weeks by mail or 1-2 weeks if by email for this process to occur.

Medical Forms:

The <u>Annual BSA Health and Medical Record form</u> is required for every Scout and adult attending Summer Camp. The doctor's physical examination is good for 1 year only..

→ Parts "A" and "B" are completed by you, Part "C" is completed and signed by the physician.



NOTE:

- ALL medical forms (need original + 1 copy) MUST be returned to Mr. Kuefler by June 5, 2023 (Picnic)
- Please include copy of your insurance card (front and back)
- Up to date Tetanus shot required for Youth & Adult or fill out exemption form.

Medication:

** IMPORTANT: **

- Hard copies are eliminated... everyone needs to **print off & fill out forms (some are online now).** If you don't have a working printer/scanner, **please let us know ASAP!**
- Assistant Scoutmaster Mr. Kuefler is coordinating all summer camp forms this year.
- Please turn in **2 copies** of all Medical Forms and Insurance card via paper.
- Visit the troop website for all forms and updated information:

http://troop1705.com/summercamp

ALL SCOUTS ARE REQUIRED to have a **Routine Drug Administration Record Form** filled out for **each** prescription medicine being taken. **Even if the Scout is not on any medication**, one form **MUST** be turned in and state **NONE** in the appropriate areas. If your son is on any medication, it should be given to an adult leader upon arrival at the campsite. We will ensure it is administered to your son as required. In addition, if your son has any other problems such as: allergies, sleepwalking, homesickness, bedwetting etc., please notify one of the leaders. If changes occur after June 5th, notify the Scoutmaster at check-in. Remember **ORIGINAL** medication bottles are required. **Check** the expiration dates.

NOTE: The Routine Drug Administration Record Form(s) and OTC Drug Administration Form are to be submitted to Mr. Kuefler by June 5, 2023 (Picnic)

<u>NOTE</u>: If you use those nice daily pill dispensing containers... <u>LEAVE THEM HOME</u>. We cannot use them!

- ALL MEDICATION MUST BE IN THE ORIGINAL PRESCRIPTION BOTTLE.
- ALL MEDICATION MUST HAVE THE CORRECT PRESCRIPTION FROM THE PHARMACIST ON IT. Please make sure the medication has not expired!
- Please send amount of drugs for one week only. (IE: DO NOT send 100 pills for a 7 pill week.)

Inhalers for asthma and epi-pens for allergies may (and are encouraged) be carried by the Scout.... An extra inhaler and / or epi-pen in the Troop lock box is suggested... if you can, bring 2. YES ... a Routine Drug Administration Record Form must be filled out for inhalers and epi-pens.

Please put your name on the inhaler and epi-pens.

Equipment:

Included is a suggested equipment list for Summer Camp. Scouts may use their own personal tent OR one of the 2-man camp supplied wall tents. **D-A Camp tents have no floor and no screening**.

No adult may sleep in the same tent as a scout!

Review the attached equipment list. Be comfortable! Riverside will be your home for one week! If you have any questions regarding the items on the list, call your Scoutmaster or any of the camp leaders.

No scout is allowed to bring firearms and/or archery equipment. In addition, if a Scout brings ANY prohibited equipment, the item will **IMMEDIATELY** be confiscated by the Scoutmaster or his representative! Refer to the enclosed equipment list for prohibited "stuff **NOT** to bring".

NOTE: All scouts are to complete and submit the <u>TENT USE FORM</u> (Online) by May 15, 2023 indicating which type of tent they will use. (personal or camp's)

We MUST notify the camp **3 weeks** ahead of time if we are using camp tents. If we do not notify them ahead of time, our troop is charged an additional fee. There is no guarantee rental equipment can be obtained if we turn in the reservation late.

SO, PLEASE make sure your **Tent Use and Partner Form** is submitted on time!!!!!!!

Any Scout who does not submit a <u>Tent Use Form</u> by May 15, 2023 <u>will be assigned</u> to either a two-man D-A wall tent or a troop tent.

AND

The Scout will be required to pay \$15 (NON-REFUNDABLE) for the rental of the tent and cot for the week. The extra fee is based on renting tentage from the camp and allowing for the camp's lead-time for the reservation.

The Scoutmaster must approve all tent assignments and moves!

In addition to the equipment on the suggested list, don't forget:

- swamp shoes ==> If you DON'T have them ... you DON'T go in the river
- long sleeved (button in the front) shirt and long pants -- IF you are taking Swimming, Lifesaving, Canoeing, or Welding merit badges ...sweat pants will NOT work for this activity
- BRING your Scout Handbook and
- BRING paper, pencils, pens, binder (also known as your Scout notebook)

WEAR your Class A Scout uniform when you arrive to camp

NO CELL PHONES ARE ALLOWED in CAMP!!!!!!

(unless a merit badge requires it, and only during that MB)

Merit Badges – Advancement -- Schedules:

In order for the Scout to have fun at camp, he needs to Be Prepared as to what he plans to do. To help the scout prepare his schedule, many pages follow showing:

- > example of a daily time schedule
- > merit badge detailed prerequisites MUST be completed before coming to camp
- > first year camper (Greenhorn Patrol) explanation
- > suggested "schedules" for 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th year campers
- > camp wide activities for all scouts to enjoy
- > additional camp opportunities

Please go over the requirements for any merit badges you want to take at camp **BEFORE** coming to camp. Some of the merit badges have prerequisites required to be completed **BEFORE** coming to camp. Plan your schedule **BEFORE** you come to camp. Included is a planning schedule form to help you. Also, if you have already earned a merit badge, you will not be allowed to take the same one again. Try something new??

NOTE: Each Scout is to complete (to the best of his ability) and return the **SCHEDULE FORM** to Mr. Delaney for approval by **March 20, 2023**.

** Merit badge sign-up is being done electronically once you have completed your form. Many classes are limited as you can imagine. Example there are only 15 canoes per class so 30 scouts max in this class. Class sizes are also smaller this year!

PLEASE get your schedule in by March 20 if not sooner! You have 2 weeks!

If you wish to change your schedule after March 20, please contact Mr. Delaney and he will try his best to get you into the class. BUT NO GUARANTEES. We will do our Best.

The point here is: **BE PREPARED!**

<u>NOTE</u>: First year campers should concentrate in achieving their **Scouts and Tenderfoot Rank**. Refer to the **Greenhorn Patrol Camper Program**.

Adult Leaders at Camp 2023:

(Fulltime)	(Fulltime)	(Fulltime)	(Fulltime)	(Fulltime)
Mr. Delaney (SM)	Mr Bryson (ASM)	Mr. Marhoff (ASM)	Mr. Kuefler (ASM)	Mr. Synowiec (ASM)
5 years at camp	11 years at camp	9 years at camp	4 years at camp	3 years at camp

If you have ANY questions, please don't hesitate to contact one of the leaders above! More are "Welcome" to attend camp - full-time or part-time!

Example Daily Time Schedule

Saturday - July 8, 2023	Friday
3:00pm – 4:00pm Arrive, Check-in, Setup camp	6:30 amTroop UP
5:00 Troop meeting	7:00Morning Flags at Riverside
6:00 Dinner	7:20am Morning Flag Assembly at Jack Lord Field
7:30 Complete Patrol Jobs	7:30 Breakfast
10:00 PLC Meeting	9:00 Merit Badge Makeup
10:15 In Tents	NoonMerit Badge Makeup Ends
10:30 Taps	12:15pmLunch
11:00 Lights Out	1:00pm Rest Period
, and the second	2:00 Campwide Patrol Activity
<u>Sunday – July 9, 2023</u>	5:45 Campwide Assembly
7:00 am Troop UP	6:00 Dinner
7:30 Morning Flag Assembly	7:00 Camp wide Closing Flag Ceremony and
8:00 Breakfast	Campfire
9:00 Check Schedules / other camp duties	9:00 Troop Closing Campfire
Noon Eat	11:00 Taps
1:30pm Medical Checks, Swim Test, camp tour	11:30 Lights Out
4:00 Finish setup at camp	
5:50Retreat / Dinner	
7:00Opening Flags & Campfire	
10:30Taps	
11:00 Lights Out	
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Monday thru Thursday	Saturday July 15, 2023
6:30am Troop UP	7:00am Morning Flag Assembly
7:00 Morning Flags at Riverside	7:30 Breakfast
7:20 Morning Flag Assembly at Jack Load Field	8:00 Break camp
7:30 Breakfast	Site Inspection by Staff Guide
9:00 Morning Program Begins	10:00 Brief Awards ceremony
Noon Morning Program Ends	10:30 Troop departs
12:15pm Lunch	·
1:00 Rest Period	
2:00 Afternoon Program Begins	
5:00 Afternoon Program Ends	
5:50 Retreat	
6:00 Dinner	
7:00 Evening Program Begin	
9:00 Evening Program End	
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10:15 In Tents	
10:15 In Tents 10:30 Taps 11:00 Lights Out	

FIND YOUR PROGRAM HERE

Traditional Program

The "traditional program" is designed for first, second, third, and fourth year campers who want to achieve advancement by earning merit badges and learning Scouting skills. This is the historical purpose of summer camp: an opportunity for Scouts to work on various "outdoor" merit badges and to have fun by participating in numerous activities. It's an important aspect of summer camp, since many troops don't have resources such as canoes, rowboats, or archery and rifle ranges, and many of the other outdoor resources required for advancement in Scouting. A Scout cannot do everything in camp. There are so many activities possible; it is impossible for a Scout to do them all. The next few pages briefly describe various activities in the traditional program.

The summer camp program includes many activities in the following areas:

AQUATICS	OUTDOOR SKILLS
 ECOLOGY/CONSERVATION 	 SHOOTING SPORTS
 HANDICRAFT 	 SILVER SPUR CORRAL
CAMP-WIDE ACTIVITIES	

So... How does a Scout fill out his schedule form for the traditional program????

• Find your merit badge on page 15, determine the time it is offered and write it in the slot on the Schedule Form. For those finishing up partials, talk to your Scoutmaster on how to fill out your form

Greenhorn Patrol

The **Greenhorn Patrol** program at D-bar-A is designed specifically **for 1**st **year scouts**.

First Year Campers ---- completing your Schedule Form......

 All you need to do for <u>YOUR</u> schedule sign-up is to indicate you are taking the Greenhorn Patrol Program for the morning.... Additional Merit badges will be offered in the afternoon. Open Shooting and a Horse ride.



High Adventure Program for Older Scouts --- 14 yrs and older ... and 1st Class

The Ranch Hands program is planned for the week we are at camp, this includes Veterinary Medicine, Farm Mechanics, Horsemanship, Painting, and Welding.

There is an additional \$50 cost for this program. Limited to the first 10 campers to sign up!

If more get added, we will send out an update.

Thank You for your patience.

Mr. Delaney



First Year Camper:

- Greenhorn Patrol Program (gives you the opportunity to work on achieving rank)
- Horseback Ride
- Open Archery, Rifle and Shotgun
- Opportunity to earn First Aid, Music, Geology, and Fingerprinting Merit Madges
- Open Swim

Second Year Camper:

- Aquatics Merit Badges (Canoeing, Kayaking or Swimming)
- Eco/Con Merit Badges
- Handicraft Merit Badges
- Outdoor Skills Merit Badges (First Aid, Camping, Indian Lore, etc.)
- Horseback Riding
- Open Swim

Third Year Camper:

- Aquatics Merit Badges (Lifesaving, Motor boating, Small boat sailing, etc.)
- Mile and 2 Mile Swim
- Shooting Sports Merit Badges
- Eco/Con Merit Badges (Environmental Science, etc.)
- Horsemanship Merit Badge
- Veterinary Science Merit Badge
- Outdoor Skills Merit Badges (Emergency Prep, Orienteering, Wilderness Survival, etc.)

Fourth or Fifth Year Camper:

- Aquatics Merit Badges
- Eagle Required Badges (Cit in the...)
- Mile and 2 Mile Swim
- Eco/Con Merit Badges
- Outdoor Skills Merit Badges
- Ranch Hand Adventure

Scouts are responsible for having the current merit badge book for each merit badge class they plan to take.

Scoutmasters have the ultimate responsibility of helping Scouts choose their merit badges and activities. Summer camp is a resource to supplement a Troop's existing program.





Summer Camp 2023 - The Merit Badge Program

The following is a listing of merit badges that are offered at D-bar-A Scout Ranch this summer. Eagle required merit badges are noted with "Eagle Required".

Preparation For Merit Badges

To Help a Scout determine what requirements he should have prepared before camp, we have provided a list of **prerequisites** on the following pages.

What are prerequisites? They are requirements that MUST be completed at home BEFORE you come to camp. Bring the work with you.... You can think of prerequisites as HOMEWORK... that MUST be completed and brought to camp and given to your Counselor.

• During check-in, your will be asked to show your prerequisites.

A Scout may prepare for 3 or 4 merit badges in the time remaining, before camp. While at camp he should be able to complete these badges with a little effort on his part. In preparation he should fulfill the prerequisites listed. A few of the prerequisites may differ slightly between camps because of instructional material and methods. Some requirements state "DO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:" so make sure your Scouts read each set of requirements carefully. The requirement numbers listed were taken from the current 2023 Boy Scout Requirements book.

<u>The entire merit badge book should be read prior to coming to camp</u>. Scouts are reminded to be sure they have the current merit badge book. All merit badge requirements can be found and downloaded from the following website https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/

It is strongly recommended that all written reports be completed in ink before coming to camp. All applicable requirements should be done in writing.

• For example, requirements that use words like, "describe, explain, define," are requirements that should be written out prior to arrival at camp.

The requirements listed indicate those that must or should be completed before you arrive at camp. Time to complete each merit badge will vary with each Scout depending on how prepared he is. If the prerequisites for each merit badge are not completed before camp, our counselors will provide a partial completion for the merit badge indicating which requirements were passed at camp.

Certain merit badges MUST have requirements completed before the Scout will be permitted to complete any further work on the badge. For safety reasons, Archery, Rifle, Shotgun Shooting requirement #1 MUST be done before a Scout may proceed to the shooting portion of the badge.

Partials from prior years.....

Some Scouts have earned partial merit badges from prior years. Partials are good until the Scout reaches age 18. If the troop has a record of partials, that information is in the Scout's summer camp book and his name on his book is highlighted in yellow. We encourage Scouts to not only take on a new badge but if possible, complete the partial. In most cases, the Scout can go to the counselor and complete the partial without having to attend the class the entire week. It all depends on how many requirements are left for each merit badge. Each situation can be different. If partials exist, the Scout should talk to his Scoutmaster for more details.

Merit Badge Information:



AQUATICS

Kayaking Small Boat Sailing Lifesaving * Swimming * Canoeing



CLIMBING

Climbing Search and Rescue



HANDICRAFT

Art
Basketry
Photography
Moviemaking
Woodcarving
Music
Pottery



TRADE SKILLS AREA

Welding **
Metalworking
Leatherworking
Woodwork **
Painting



LONESOME PINE SHOOTING SPORTS RANGE

Rifle ** Shotgun ** Archery **



EAGLE'S NEST ADVANCEMENT AREA

Citizenship In the Community *
Citizenship in the Nation *
Citizenship in the World *
Emergency Preparedness *
Communication *
First Aid *s





ECOLOGY-CONSERVATION

Archaeology
Astronomy
Space Exploration
Environmental Science *
Mammal Study
Fish & Wildlife Management
Soil and Water Conservation



SCOUTCRAFT/OUTDOOR SKILLS (OSA)

Camping *
Cooking *
Geocaching
Pioneering
Wilderness Survival
Fingerprinting
Indian Lore
Orienteering



SILVER SPUR CORRAL

Horsemanship **

* EAGLE REQUIRED

AM CLASS SCHEDULE

	Program Session A 9:00 am	Program Session B		Program Session C 11:00 am	
	Swimming	Lifesaving		Swimming	
AQUATICS	Small Boat Sailing	Swim	ming	Kayaking	
EAGLE'S NEST	Citizenship In the Community	Emergency Preparedness		First Aid	
ADVANCEMENT AREA	Communication	Citizenship	in the World	Citizenship in the Nation	
CLIMBING	Climbing	Search ar	nd Rescue	Open Climb	
	Art	Bask	etry	Photography	
HANDICRAFT	Moviemaking	Woodcarving		Music	
	Pottery				
	Archaeology	Archaeology Environmental Science		Mammal Study	
ECOLOGY- CONSERVATION	Space Exploration	Astronomy		Soil and Water Conservation	
CONSERVATION	Environmental Science	Fish & Wildlife Management		Environmental Science	
TRADE SKILLS AREA	Metalworking	Leather	working	Painting	
SCOUTCRAFT/	Camping	Wilderness Survival		Fingerprinting	
OUTDOOR SKILLS	Geocaching	Cooking		Pioneering	
(OSA)	Indian Lore	Orienteering			
LONESOME PINE	Rifle		Rifle		
SHOOTING SPORTS	Shotgun		Shotgun		
RANGE	Archery		Archery		
SILVER SPUR CORRAL	Horsemanship Trail Rides			Trail Rides	

All schedules subject to change

PM CLASS SCHEDULE

	Program Session D 2:00 pm	Program Session E 3:00 pm		Program Session F 4:00 pm	
AQUATICS	Swimming	Lifesa	aving	Ones Suine	
AQUATICS	Canoeing	Swim	ming	Open Swim	
EAGLE'S NEST	Citizenship In the Community	Emergency P	reparedness	First Aid	
ADVANCEMENT AREA	Communication	Citizenship	in the World	Citizenship in the Nation	
CLIMBING	Climbing	Search an	nd Rescue	Open Climb	
	Art	Bask	etry	Photography	
HANDICRAFT	Moviemaking	Woodcarving		Music	
	Pottery				
	Archaeology	Environmental Science		Mammal Study	
ECOLOGY- CONSERVATION	Space Exploration	Astronomy		Soil and Water Conservation	
	Environmental Science	Fish & Wildlife Management		Environmental Science	
TRADE SKILLS AREA	Welding			Woodwork	
SCOUTCRAFT/	Camping	Wildernes	s Survival	Fingerprinting	
OUTDOOR SKILLS	Geocaching	Cooking		Pioneering	
(OSA)	Indian Lore Orient		Orienteering		
LONESOME PINE	Rifle				
SHOOTING SPORTS	Shotgun		Open Shoot		
RANGE Archery					
SILVER SPUR CORRAL	Horsemanship		Trail Rides		

SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6:00 AM			Polar Bear Plunge				
7:20 AM		Flag Raising	Flag Raising	Flag Raising	Flag Raising	Flag Raising	
7:30 AM	Camp		Breakfast				
9:00 AM	Closed			Leader Meeting			
9:00 AM			Progran	m Session A		Maria Dantas	Camp checkout
10:00 AM			Progran	m Session B		Merit Badge Makeup	& Dismissal
11:00 AM			Progran	m Session C			
12:30 PM	Camp	Lunch					
2:00 PM	check-in		Progran	Program Session D			
3:00 PM	&		Progran	m Session E		Merit Badge Makeup	
4:00 PM	Swim Checks	Program Session F			Макеир		
5:15 PM		SPL Meeting		SPL Meeting		SPL Meeting	
5:50 PM	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	
6:00 PM						Camp Closed	
	Opening Campfire	Water Wars and Liquid Leisure	Vesper Service	Western Night Cowboy Action Shooting Muzzleloaders Family Night	Hunger Games Tie Dye Night	Closing Campfire	
10:30 PM	PM Quiet in CAMP						
11:00 PM	Lights Out						

Merit Badge Prerequisites:

Merit Badge	Prerequisites	Notes	
Archeology	4, 4c, 5b, 6b, 7	D-A observatory trip required	
Archery	1c	Recommended to attend open shoot	
Art	6		
Astronomy		Must attend Astro Night	
Basketry		·	
Camping	4b, 5e, 7b, 8d, 9	(6) can be completed at camp	
Canoeing		Must Be able to pass the BSA Swim Test	
Citizenship In the Community	2a, 3a, 4b, 7c	·	
Citizenship in the Nation	2,3		
Citizenship in the World	7		
Climbing		Recommended to attend open climb	
Communication	4,5	Must be prepared to MC closing Firebowl to complete 8	
Cooking	4,6		
Emergency Preparedness	1, 2c, 6c, 8, 9	Must attend Search & Rescue Outpost	
Environmental Science			
Fingerprinting			
First Aid	1, 2d, 5	Be prepared to make a first aid kit	
Fish & Wildlife Management	5, 7		
Geocaching	7,8		
Horsemanship			
Indian Lore			
Kayaking		Must be able to pass the BSA Swimmer test	
Leatherwork			
Lifesaving		Must be able to pass the BSA Swimmer test	
Mammal Study			
Metalworking			
Moviemaking		Must have up to date Cyber Chip, Must bring personal camera (Tablets and Phones DO count)	
Music	3, 4	Recommended to bring instrument	
Orienteering	7, 8, 9		
Painting			
Photography	1b	Must have up to date Cyber Chip, Must bring personal camera (Tablets and Phones DO count)	
Pioneering	2a		
Pottery	7		
Rifle Shooting	1d, 1f	Recommended to attend open shoot	
Search & Rescue	4	Must attend the Search & Rescue Outpost	
Shotgun Shooting	1d, 1f	Recommended to attend open shoot	
Small boat Sailing		Must be able to pass the BSA Swimmer test	
Soil and Water Conservation			
Space Exploration	2		
Swimming		Must be able to pass the BSA Swimmer test	
Welding	7a	14 Years of Age	
Wilderness Survival	5	Must attend the Wildness Survival Overnight	
Wood Carving	2	Must have up to date Totin' Chip	
Woodwork	7	Must have up to date Totin' Chip	

Aquatics Special Activities

<u>Mile Swim</u>: Thursday Afternoon, brave Scouts and leaders will swim the mile at 3:00pm. To participate in this event, Scouts and leaders must be classified as a swimmer and must complete the required practice swims. The required practice swims are 1/4 mile on Monday, 1/2 mile on Tuesday, and 3/4 mile on Wednesday. The practice swims are all at 2:50 pm. Swimmers must have two people accompany them in a row boat during the mile swim.

<u>SM/SPL Swim:</u> One of our three SM/SPL competitions. Come compete in our SM/SPL race to compete for the "Ultimate SM/SPL" award.

<u>Instructional Swim:</u> This period will focus on swimming techniques and practice for the beginning swimmer. Participants will be instructed on basic strokes, breathing techniques, and given time to practice.

<u>Polar Bear Swim:</u> Check the daily news and listen at dinner to hear when we will host our polar bear swim this year. The swim will begin at 6:30am and go until 7:00am on the announced day.



Silver Spur Special Activities

Trail Rides: Exciting hour to two hour trail rides throughout the ranch. Scouts must sign up in the Trading Post to participate. Additional fee of \$15 to ride. Schedule your ride through your Scoutmaster at camp check in. This is included for Greenhorn Patrol Scouts at no additional cost.

All horse riders MUST have Long Pants (preferably jeans) and Close-toed Shoes!





This is the collection of what experience has taught us regarding merit badges, advancement, and other items:

- 1. Summer camp is NOT a merit badge mill where you pay a fee and get badges automatically. Instead, camp offers merit badges as one portion of the overall program each merit badge must be earned.
- 2. The first year Scout camper will have the opportunity to earn up to 4 merit badges. Emphasis will also be placed in earning rank requirements.
- 3. No Scout should plan to earn more than 4-5 merit badges in one week, <u>unless</u> he has completed most of the work required prior to camp.
- 4. The most difficult merit badges to earn are those requiring a great deal of physical skill, <u>time</u>, coordination and stamina. These are Lifesaving, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, Environmental Science and Archery.
- 5. Complete written work at home. Camp is not an ideal classroom for written work and research and the prepared Scout will arrive at camp with all written work already done.
- 6. Each Scout should try doing something new at camp and get a well-rounded experience. Try a handicraft badge and an aquatic or Outdoor Skills badge combination.
- 7. Plan time to enjoy D-bar-A Scout Ranch's wilderness and lake areas.
- 8. Your campsite is your home for the week, so work at making it comfortable. Bring banners and flags to dress it up.
- 9. Schedule time for rest. That's right, rest. Too often, Scouts don't take time to sit and enjoy the beauty of camp around you. Don't maintain such a feverish pace that you miss the trees, the nature, and the clean fresh air.
- 10. A top troop shows spirit! The troop that comes to camp with ideas, spirit and challenges will make the rest of camp come alive. Bring your troop cheer to camp and show everyone that you're Number One. Proper wearing of the complete Scout uniform shows Scout spirit and is encouraged.
- 11. Be flexible. Each week, more than 150 Scouts attend camp. While the staff is here to meet everyone's needs, we all must practice the Scout Law in camp when dealing with others.
- 12. Communicate. If you have a special need or want to do something spectacular, tell us about it and we'll give it our best shot.
- 13. Advise Scouts to leave valuables with a Leader. Watches, spending money, and other items of value should not be left in the shower building, waterfront, or in an unattended campsite.
- 14. One last thing. We want to make this the best camp in the state. If you have any suggestions, we'll gladly listen to you and your ideas.

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