

 Sequoyah District 

Merit Badge College

2019 Leader's Guide



Calhoun First Presbyterian Church

829 Red Bud Road, Calhoun, GA 30701

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8:30 am - 3:30 pm

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## **What is a Merit Badge College?**

The purpose of the Sequoyah District Merit Badge College (MBC) is to provide Boy Scouts with qualified counselors for merit badges that can be earned or, partially earned. Scouts will have an opportunity to receive counseling and instruction for up to four merit badges.

Merit Badge sessions will consist of four 1.5 hour class periods, on two consecutive Saturdays. One on Saturday, January 12 and the other on Saturday, January 26.

Scouts will receive quality instruction and guidance in each class, but many merit badges have requirements that must be completed before or in addition to the college. Some instructors have indicated pre-requisites that would potentially allow the scout to complete all requirements for the merit badge. Other merit badges will have additional requirements for the scout to complete on his own after MBC, but he will be well on his way to completing the merit badge. The remaining requirements may be completed with another counselor registered to teach that merit badge. Leaders will be provided with the instructors contact information with the results of the MBC, so a counselor can be consulted as needed after the MBC, as an alternative.

### **Location**

This year's Merit Badge College is located at Calhoun First Presbyterian Church located at **829 Red Bud Rd, Calhoun, GA.**

### **Leadership**

**YOUR UNIT MUST BE UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF AT LEAST TWO ADULT LEADERS AT ALL TIMES. REGISTERED LEADERS MUST ALSO HAVE TAKEN YOUTH PROTECTION THIS YEAR.**

### **Registration**

For the Sequoyah District Merit Badge College 2019, registration will be conducted online through the Northwest Georgia Council website [www.nwgabsa.org](http://www.nwgabsa.org). Course sign up will be first come first serve basis; it is recommended that Scoutmasters sign up scouts in their troop to avoid confusion and scheduling issues. Space may be limited so register as soon as possible. To accommodate greater numbers of scouts for the more popular merit badges, some have two sessions offered, an "A" session and a "B" session. Upon arrival we will need one adult and SPL or designee from the group to check in with the registration table.

## **Cost**

The cost of the Sequoyah District Merit Badge College is \$20.00 per scout. Payment and signup will be thru the Northwest Georgia Council website. [www.nwgabsa.org](http://www.nwgabsa.org).

## **Uniforms**

All scouts and leaders are expected to wear the Field Uniform (class A) at the MBC. Uniforms should be worn correctly including having the shirts tucked in at all times.

## **Opening Ceremony**

We will conduct an opening flag ceremony both Saturdays, consisting of the Pledge of Allegiance, Scout Oath, Law, Slogan and Motto.

## **Cell Phone Policy**

Cell phones should only be used by adults. Scouts who have phones must turn them off or silence them during class. Cell phones used during instruction time will be a distraction and will interfere with the learning process.

## **Food**

As part of the cost for registration, lunch will be provided to all scouts. The lunch will be hotdogs, chips, cookies, and drinks. All food should be consumed in the cafeteria and not in the classrooms. If you have special dietary needs please plan accordingly by bringing your own lunch.

## **About the Property**

Calhoun First Presbyterian Church has graciously allowed us to use their facilities for this event. We ask that you remember the Scout Oath and Law. Adult leaders will ensure that scouts are respectful of the property and of others and not disturb anything in the

classrooms or hallways. Troops should remember to practice Leave No Trace. We want to leave the school cleaner than we found it.

### **Merit Badge Requirements**

The merit badges requirements used will be the most current available. Please check for the latest available requirements.

### **Prerequisites**

Merit Badge Counselors are responsible for determining any prerequisites for their classes. Scouts who are not prepared for class may earn a partial. A list of prerequisites is attached to this leaders guide. Completion of prerequisite material is essential and assures successful completion of merit badges. Leaders should be sure each participant has completed the home assignments before arriving at the college. All assignments, books, and note paper should be marked with the Scout's name, troop number, and address. Scouts should bring this material to class. **Scouts should read the merit badge book before attending the merit badge college.**

### **Blue cards**

Blue cards will not be used at this event, each Scoutmaster will receive a printout similar to the printout issued at summer camp. This printout will have a list of your scouts in your troop and will list requirement completed and requirements not completed.

### **Daily Schedule**

8:30 - 8:50 am	Registration and Check-in
8:50 - 9:00 am	Opening Ceremony
9:00 - 10:30 am	Session 1

10:30 - 12:00 am	Session 2
12:00 - 12:30 pm	Lunch
12:30 - 2:00 pm	Session 3
2:00 - 3:30 pm	Session 4
3:30 - 3:45	Closing Ceremony

### **What to Bring to Class**

1. Notebook paper, pencils, pens, eraser
2. Appropriate merit badge books
3. Home assignment material
4. Any prerequisite requirements completed beforehand

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Merit Badge	Instructor	Prerequisites	Session 1, 9:00- 10:30	Session 2, 10:30 - 12:00	Session 3, 12:30 - 2:00	Session 4, 2:00 - 3:30
Citizenship in the Community A	Drew Tonsmeire	3, 5, 7, 8	X			
Citizenship in the Community B	Drew Tonsmeire	3, 5, 7, 8		X		
Citizenship in the Nation A	Fred Kittle				X	
Citizenship in the Nation B	Fred Kittle					X
Citizenship in the World A	Richard Alexandersen				X	
Citizenship in the World B	Richard Alexandersen					X
Cooking A	Bruce Ferguson				X	
Cooking B	Bruce Ferguson					X
Engineering A	ENERCON (engineering co)				X	
Engineering B	ENERCON (engineering co)					X
Nuclear Science A	ENERCON (engineering co)		X			
Nuclear Science B	ENERCON (engineering co)			X		
Family Life A	Donna Williams	3, 4, 5	X			
Family Life B	Donna Williams	3, 4, 5		X		
Communications A	Lyssa Hoganson		X			
Communications B	Lyssa Hoganson			X		
Personal Management A	Carley Ferguson		X			
Personal Management B	Carley Ferguson			X		
Nature A	David Gregory				X	
Nature B	David Gregory					X
Disability Awareness A	Lisa Key				X	
Disability Awareness B	Lisa Key					x
Digital Technology A	Carl England		X			
Digital Technology B	Carl England			X		

## Notes