

Smithville Rotary Club Merit Badge College

Who

Registered Scouts and their leaders are invited to attend. All units must be under the supervision of at least two adult leaders of the age of 21 or older at all times during the event. One additional leader is required for every five boys over ten. If you are attending with only your child, we will accept a registration of one scout and a parent. Any registrations not in compliance with this requirement will be returned.

What

Community leaders will staff the merit badge classes. These specially approved counselors will provide training and facilitate advancement on merit badges using the requirements and standards offered by the Boy Scouts of America in their most recent revision.

A Boy Scout is prepared. Scouts will receive confirmation of their enrollment on or before December 31, 2022. This confirmation will include detailed prerequisite information for badge work that must be completed and delivered to the counselor at the event for credit. **Being prepared means the scout attends the class and participates fully, including the completion of any advance work requested. Complete merit badge signoff is not guaranteed at the college.** Credit can only be awarded for work completed in class if they do not bring prerequisite work with them that day. Badge work can be completed with a qualified District counselor after the event, if necessary. **Scouts must bring a blue merit badge card signed by unit leader for each merit badge. No merit badge card will be provided by the counselor.**

Eagle required badges may be limited to those who enroll early. We will make every attempt to manage the popularity of these badges by honoring just one Eagle required badge per scout until all registrations have been processed. However, there is no guarantee that scouts will get into Eagle required badge classes. Spaces are limited and classes close when filled. We appreciate your understanding and support of this policy.

When/Where

On Saturday, **February 3, 2024** Smithville Middle School (675 S Commercial Ave, Smithville, MO 64089). Class information will be sent to leaders prior to the event. **Morning classes run from 8:00-11:00 AM.** Lunch will be provided in the classroom from 11:00-11:30. **Afternoon classes run from 11:30-2:30 PM.** Please be prompt. The event will end by 3:00 PM.

Purpose

This program is organized by the Smithville Rotary Club as a service to the community. **The money raised from this event will be used to provide scholarships and fund other service projects undertaken by the club.**

Cost & Registration Guidelines

The registration fee is \$40 per scout and \$10 per adult leader. Registrations should be returned prior to October 31 to ensure priority. Late registration fees after October 31, 2023 will be \$45 per scout and \$15 per leader. No walk-ins will be allowed. Registration is on a first come first served basis and must be paid in advance. This all inclusive fee covers the cost of the event, lunch and use of the facilities for badge work, program supplies, classroom materials and event production needs. Some badges may have a small additional material fee as noted in the list. **Preregistration is required for each unit using the official registration form only.** Please do not send registrations on another document or via email.

Other Details

Special Needs: If any member of your group has any special needs including dietary restrictions, please inform us. We need your help to "be prepared" and provide reasonable accommodation for a successful and enjoyable experience.

Uniform: Class A uniform is required for all scouts. Leaders are encouraged to also wear the Class A uniform.

Leaders/Adults: All leaders and adults, including parents attending with their scout, in attendance are encouraged to have completed BSA Youth Protection. If you have not completed Youth Protection, please go to www.scouting.org to complete it. **We ask that all leaders and parents attend merit badge classes with their scouts to provide additional insight and assistance in instructing and supervising scouts.**

Questions: The online registration form can be found at <https://forms.gle/FiUiBZXx6drN5sfJA>. Requests for additional information and/or any questions regarding this merit badge college should be emailed to smithvillemorotary@gmail.com.

Merit Badges Offered

The following merit badges may be offered. Please prioritize your selection on the online registration form and select **at least 4 classes per scout**. Confirmation of all classes will be sent to the designated leader in charge by email no later than December 20, 2023. Once registration is confirmed, we cannot guarantee any schedule changes.

We reserve the right to cancel low-interest classes and will make accommodations accordingly. **Pre-requisite information for each badge will be emailed to leaders when schedules are sent. Pre-requisites should be completed prior to the merit badge college.**

Merit Badge	Code	Merit Badge	Code
American Business	BIZ	Fire Safety	FIRE
American Culture	CUL	***First Aid	FA
American Heritage	AMER	Fish and Wildlife Mgmt	WILD
*Art	ART	Genealogy	GEN
Chess	CHES	Inventing	INV
Citizenship-Community	CIC	Law	LAW
Citizenship-Nation	CIN	Music	MUS
Citizenship-World	CIW	Personal Fitness	FIT
Communication	COMM	Personal Management	PM
Crime Prevention	CRIME	Photography	PHOT
Digital Technology	DIGI	Public Speaking	SPEAK
**Dog Care/Pets	PET	Salesmanship	SALE
Electricity	ELEC	Scouting Heritage	SCOUT

Emergency Prep	EMP	Sustainability	SUST
Entrepreneurship	ENT	Traffic Safety	TRAF
Environmental Science	ENVS	Veterinary Medicine	VET
Family Life	FAM	Weather	WEA
Fingerprinting	FING		

Eagle required badges are in bold

*Art has a \$5 material fee. Please bring with you to class.

**Dog Care & Pets are separate merit badges with similar requirements. Per BSA rules, if a scout wishes to obtain both in the class, they must complete the requirements separately and may not reuse the work from the other.

***First Aid is an all-day class and will be the only merit badge for those scouts

All registrations must be made online at <https://forms.gle/FiUiBZXx6drN5sfJA>. Once received and processed, we will confirm receipt of your registration and your payment amount to submit along with payment instructions. Your invoice will be sent through PayPal and you may pay through there or mail a check to the address provided. Material Fees will be due on the day of class.

PLEASE REGISTER VIA THIS ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM:

<https://forms.gle/6d7a2wLFdfy1YoGo6>

Thank you!



