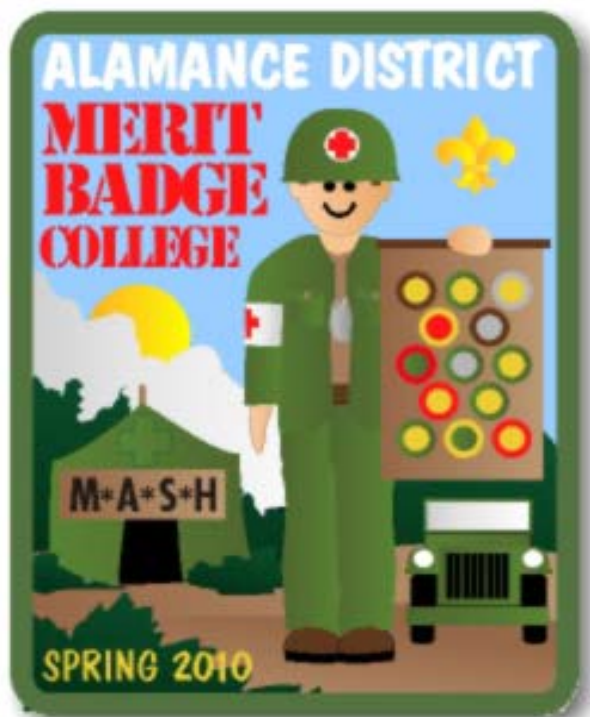


Alamance District 2010 Spring Merit Badge College



DATES :

Session 1: March 13, 2010 from 8:00am – 12:00noon

Session 2: March 27, 2010 from 8:00am – 12:00noon

Location:

GROVE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

(Alamance Rd across from Huey's Bar-B-Q)

Registration / Costs:

\$5.00 per Scout (for snacks & administration cost).

\$7.00 per Scout day of event at the discretion of the instructor

(If not pre-registered & if space allows.)

Note: Some classes may have additional costs for materials – see individual class descriptions.

Patches:

\$3.00 per additional patch if available. Or 2 for \$5.00.

One patch will be provided with each paid pre-registration.

General Information:

1. Only one check per troop will be accepted. Checks are to be made payable to “Old North State Council.”
2. Payment must be received **prior** to day of event. Checks can be mailed or delivered to Scout office, brought to the Alamance District Roundtable, or pay online.
3. Payment must be received ***BEFORE*** a Scout is registered to a class. In the event that a particular class is full, the option will be given to select another class or get a refund.
4. Some merit badges require an additional fee (this fee will be noted with merit badge description). Refer to the www.alamancescouts.org for details.
5. A snack will be provided, however we recommend that participants eat before attending the event. Each scout should bring an adequate water supply for themselves.
6. Food is only allowed in designated areas. ***Do not bring food into the church.***
7. **Scouts must bring the appropriate Merit Badge Book (available at the scout office) and the Merit Badge worksheet (available at www.meritbadge.com). Any prerequisites must be completed before Merit Badge College. *No exceptions.***
8. Merit badge patches and cards are the responsibility of the individual troop.
9. **All Scouts *must* wear “CLASS “A” UNIFORM” & the uniform must be visible!!! *No EXCEPTIONS!!! Dress Sharp – Look Sharp!!!*** The Merit Badge College Dean reserves the right to refuse admittance to any Scout that fails to comply with this requirement. **NO EXCUSES!!!**
10. This year the College will also offer the Readyman Activity Pin for Webelos. Boy Scouts are expected to set the right example for this event.
11. **There will be displays for the M*A*S*H theme.** Scouts are requested to “look but not touch” unless granted permission by the owner.
12. Instructors / MB College Staff are encouraged to dress out for the theme.
13. Please bring the Merit Badge Application Form filled out with the appropriate information prior to the college. These are the forms that the Alamance District Merit Badge College will be using to report work completed.
14. It is the responsibility of your unit leader to pick up the completed Merit Badge Application Forms @ the completion of the Merit Badge College.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR WEBELOS!!!!

- Readyman Activity Pin will be offered this year!
- Each den must have a den leader or another adult with their Webelos.
- Webelos are expected to conduct themselves in a Scout-like fashion.
- Readyman will be offered on the 13th & the 27th. Must register for one session or the other.

Merit Badges / Courses Offered:

<u>March 13</u>	<u>March 27</u>
Communications	Communications
First Aid	First Aid
Citizenship in the Nation	Citizenship in the Nation
Radio	Radio
Family Life	Personal Management
Emergency Preparedness	Emergency Preparedness
Citizenship in the Community	Citizenship in the Community
Citizenship in the World	Fire Safety
Truck Transportation	Truck Transportation
Golf	Golf
Auto Mechanics	Auto Mechanics
Fly Fishing	Fly Fishing
Archeology	
Aviation	Aviation
Readyman Activity Pin	Readyman Activity Pin

Registration Information:

1. Register online at Alamance District website (www.alamancescouts.org). **Do not** send the registration information to the scout office.
2. The Scoutmaster / Cubmaster will be e -mailed the information packet by January 7, 2010.
3. Each Scout must register with their troop. Only one representative of each troop needs to register all scouts in their troop.
4. Webelos dens **MUST** register / attend as a den.
5. Early registration will begin Wednesday, January 13, 2010, for Scouts in the **Alamance District**. Or for Scouts in other districts that have a **leader presenting** a merit badge or serving on the Staff.
6. Open registration will begin on Monday, February 8, 2010.

7. Registration will end:
- ⇒ **Tuesday**, March 2, 2010 at 5:00 pm for 1st Session Classes
 - ⇒ **Tuesday**, March 2, 2010 at 5:00 pm for classes that require both sessions.
 - ⇒ **Tuesday**, March 16, 2010 at 5:00 pm for 2nd Session Classes.
- (Note: Registration will close for each class once the class is full.)*
8. Registration must be received **BEFORE** your space is held. In the past, popular classes filled up, other Scouts were told the class was full, only to have registered folks not show up or pay their registration fee.
9. Substitutions can be made for the same class, but refunds will not be unless approved by the MB College Dean. Class substitutions can be made only if there are available seats in the desired class.
10. The instructors / presenters reserve the option of determining the max and min sizes of their classes. Registration will close for that class once the max. number is reached. Should a class not reach the minimum number; every effort will be made to find an alternate course for the Scout to take.
11. Merit Badge application must be completed before Merit Badge College and brought to the college.
12. Code of Conduct must be signed and turned in on day of College. **No exceptions.**

Email any questions to:

Stuart Brandt
Alamance Advancement Chair:
sbrandt1@triad.rr.com (home)
(C) 336-263-0963
(H) 336-584-8094

Please - No calls after 9:00 p.m.

Merit badges offered:

I. These Merit Badges take / require TWO sessions

1. Communications*
2. First Aid*
3. Radio
4. Emergency Preparedness*
5. Truck Transportation
6. Golf **
7. Fly Fishing
8. Auto Mechanics***
9. Citizenship in the Nation*
10. Aviation**

II. These Merit Badges will be offered March 13th.

10. Family Life*
11. Citizenship in the World*
12. Citizenship in the Community*
13. Archaeology
- 14.

III. These Merit Badges will be offered March 27th.

15. Personal Management*
16. Citizenship in the Community*
17. Fire Safety
- 18.

III. Other Courses

1. Readyman – Webelos Activity Pin March 13th.
2. Readyman – Webelos Activity Pin March 27th.

* Eagle Required Merit Badge

** Requires additional outside meetings for field trip(s)

*** Will be held @ ACC in Graham

NOTE:

Check back to the Alamance District website often to check for changes / additions / revisions / etc. for the most current version.

Readyman (March 13)

Max 30 Webelos Scouts

Readyman (March 27)

Max 30 Webelos Scouts

Citizenship in the World (March 13)

Max 20 Scouts

Do ahead of time and prepare to discuss #3, 4, and 7.

Personal Management (March 27)

Max 15 scouts (Star and above)

Citizenship in the Community (March 13) Max 12 Scouts – Min 5 Scouts

Citizenship in the Community (March 27) Max 12 Scouts – Min 5 Scouts

- 1) Bring the Citizenship in Community merit badge book.
- 2) Bring the Cit in Community workbook
(obtained from <http://usscouts.org/mb/worksheets/Citizenship-in-the-Community.pdf>)
- 3) Prepare answers to the following questions for discussion in class: #'s 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8.

FYI...

Burlington City Council meets:

- ⇒ On the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM, and
- ⇒ On the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM

Communication (2 session course)

Max 12 Scouts – Min 5 Scouts

Covered requirements:

1.c., 2.b. 3, 4, 6, 7.a. and 9 in the sessions

Duration:

This merit badge will take both sessions, with some work done before and after the session.

Prerequisites:

- I. **Requirement 9:** "Learn about opportunities in field of communication. Choose one career in which you are interested and discuss with your counselor the major responsibilities of that position and the qualifications, education & preparation it requires." Boys will need to do the learning about the career outside the session, but discuss with counselor can be done 2nd session.
- II. **Requirement 3:** Write a 5-minute speech and give it. Writing it will be homework, giving it can be in session.
- III. **Requirement 5:** (Attend public meeting where several points of view are given, take notes & present an objective report of all points of view expressed and share with counselor) will have to be done as a prerequisite. Boys should be informed to bring a written report to the first session if they intend to complete the badge. The written report must show what meeting they attended, when it was held, and summarizing the issues and points of view presented.
- IV. **Requirement 8:** (prepare court of honor or campfire program, get it approved by PLC and serve as master of ceremonies) has to be done outside of program. This requirement can be satisfied with a statement from the Scoutmaster, Asst. Scoutmaster or SPL stating when the scout served as the MC for troop court of honor or campfire program.

Other Notes:

- "Star or Life scouts. Class size limited to 15. Scouts taking this merit badge need to be prepared to do some homework between the first and second sessions.
- Requirement 5 - Burlington City Council meets @ 7pm on March 4th, March 18th, & April 1st. It is strongly suggested that if a Scout has not done this requirement, that he attend one of these meetings **BEFORE** the merit badge college.

Citizenship in the Nation (2 session course)

For the merit badge college, here are the requirements for the class: (NOTE - these are **NOT** negotiable. This is an Eagle required merit badge & more is expected for the required merit badges. I will ask anyone to leave that does not meet these minimum class requirements.)

- Must be in a BSA Class A uniform.
- I do not have an age or rank requirement, but the Scout must conduct them self in a mature and Scout-like manner. This is not a good first merit badge.
- Must be familiar with the merit badge requirements.
- **Must READ BEFORE the class:**
 - The Declaration of Independence
 - The Preamble & the US Constitution
 - The Bill of Rights
 - The Amendments to the Constitution
- Be prepared to contribute to the discussion.

Requirements that must be completed outside of class to complete the merit badge:

- **Requirement #2:** Write up what you have done to meet this requirement. Must be neat & legible - if you do not have neat handwriting - use a computer.
- **Requirement #3:** Write up what you have done to meet this requirement. Must be neat & legible - if you do not have neat handwriting - use a computer.
- **Requirement #6:** Identify a speech for this requirement for approval. I suggest that you have at least one alternate (Be Prepared.)
- **Requirement #8:** The letter must be business like. (I will not accept a letter that is scribbled out on a torn piece of paper.)

Other notes:

Bring pencil & paper to class for notes along with any reference material. I will give a test at the end of the first session. It will be open book / notes (as long as it is yours and not your neighbors.)

First Aid (2 session course)

Max 12 Scouts – Min 5 Scouts

Requirements for the class: (NOTE - these are **NOT** negotiable. This is an Eagle required merit badge & more is expected for the required merit badges. I will ask anyone to leave that does not meet these minimum class requirements.)

- Must be in a BSA Class A uniform (shirt tucked in and visible).
- Must be First Class or above.
- Prepare a first aid kit for your home – bring it to class & be prepared to discuss its contents.
- You will be asked to demonstrate skills learned to the Webelos Readyman class.

Truck Transportation (2 session course)

March 27th class will be held offsite @ the truck terminal.

Emergency Preparedness (2 session course)

Max 16 Scouts

Requirements for the class: (NOTE - these are **NOT** negotiable. This is an Eagle required merit badge & more is expected for the required merit badges. I will ask anyone to leave that does not meet these minimum class requirements.)

- First Aid Merit Badge (student must present MB Card)
- Must have {& read} Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge Book.
(Consider this a ticket to attend: **NO** book = **NO** class.)

BEFORE CLASS - Do the following:

- Prepare a written plan for mobilizing your troop when needed to do emergency service. If there is already a plan, explain it. Tell your part in making it work.
- Take part in at least one troop mobilization. Before the exercise, describe your part to your counselor. Afterward, conduct an "after-action" lesson, discussing what you learned during the exercise that required changes or adjustments to the plan.
- Prepare a personal emergency service pack for a mobilization call.
- Prepare a family kit (suitcase or waterproof box) for use by your family in case an emergency evacuation is needed. Explain the needs and uses of the contents.

Automotive Mechanics (2 session course)

Max 25 Scouts

- Both sessions will be held @ ACC in Graham in the automotive shop. All tools, materials, and cars will be supplied by the college.
- Scout uniform is ***required***, but be prepared to have clothes to change into for the hands on sessions.

Fire Safety (March 27)

Max 12 Scouts

- Req. 6A & 12 are to be completed before class.

Spring 2010
Merit Badge College

Code of Conduct, Rules, Policies, Consequences, and Acknowledgment

Remember that we are guests of “GROVE PARK “.

COLLEGE CODE

1. The Scout Oath, The Scout Law and the Outdoor Code shall be the code of Merit Badge College. Scouts and adult leaders are to respect the privacy of others.
2. As with other scouting events, the use of alcoholic beverages, firearms, sheath knives and fireworks is positively prohibited.
3. As with other Scouting events profanity, or further lude, or risqué items or materials is positively prohibited.
4. There shall be **NO DEFACING** or **DESTRUCTION** of any dwelling or structure or equipment or materials. **Each unit shall be liable, in the full amount, for theft and/or property damage caused by its adult leaders or Scouts.** The Boy Scouts of America, and the Old North State Council BSA does not provide insurance protection to units or sponsoring organizations for theft and/or property damage.
5. Scouts must remain in their assigned classrooms until scheduled break, or needed bathroom break.
6. Disciplinary Action is the responsibility of the Merit Badge College Chairperson, Merit Badge College volunteers, Scoutmaster or other designated adult leader in charge of the duty.
7. A scout whose conduct is not consistent with the BSA Code will be expelled immediately, and then referred to his Unit Leader and parents for appropriate disciplinary action.
8. Scouts unable to control the conduct of themselves will be directed to leave the College grounds immediately.
9. Under no circumstance shall a Scout be deprived of food, isolated, subjected to corporal punishment or abusive physical exercise as a means of punishment.

RULES

1. Be on time. Your reserved seat will be given away if space is available for Scouts on waiting list. Check in time is **8:00AM**
2. If Scout is not registered, he will be placed on waiting list upon arrival.
3. Be prepared for class. You should have finished the prerequisites if applicable. This includes book/pamphlet in hand, learning worksheets in hand, and further noted equipment needed. Not being properly prepared forfeits your seat in class.
4. No youth is to leave the campus without properly signing out with the Registrar or Merit Badge College Chairperson. No youth can sign out unless accompanied by an adult leader. An adult who is picking up or dropping off a youth must sign for that youth. The unit is responsible for providing a list to the registrar of any persons NOT allowed to pick up any youth. If Scout drives his own vehicle, he may leave at his discretion; however no other Scout may leave with him unless he is family.
5. All Scouts will check out with Merit Badge College volunteers prior to leaving grounds.
6. Scouts shall not walk through or stand around other classrooms without first obtaining the expressed permission of the instructors, Scouts, or Scouters occupying the class.
7. No cell phones, IPODS, or MP3 players permitted in learning areas. No food or drinks are allowed into class settings. 1 bottled water may be brought. **NO FOOD IS TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE CHURCH!!!**

8. Counselor reserves the right to request removal of Scout from class for disorderly, or behavior unbecoming a Scout.
9. Admission to class will be denied if acknowledgement form is not handed to counselor upon entry. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

CONSEQUENCES

DEPENDING ON THE SEVERITY OF OFFENSE – DISCRETION SOLEY BY MERIT BADGE COLLEGE CHAIRPERSON AND COUNSELORS

1. Warning: individual warning
 2. 2ndWarning: Highest-ranking Troop Boy Scout present will brief individual Scoutmaster on event.
 3. 3rd Warning: Scoutmaster/parent will be called. Scout may be asked to leave, and may be given a "Partial" credit toward Merit Badge. Scout may not return to complete class during session.
 4. Final Warning: Scout asked to leave session without any credit on Merit Badge.
- Expulsion: At this time the individuals Scoutmaster, and parents will be notified.
 Future Merit Badge College attendance may be withheld from Scout due to severity of offense.

In the past, Counselors have expressed concerns that: Scouts attending class were NOT in proper uniform. Some Scouts failed to show up for their class. Many Scouts lacked preparation for the merit badges they sought. Many Scouts never bothered to obtain a copy of the merit badge book. Many Scouts wandered into a class for which they were not registered.

All Scouts must be enrolled for the merit badges they seek. Work with your Scouts to register and prepare them appropriately. We have a sophisticated on line registration system which is critical to keeping records and planning for courses. Please work your Scouts' registration out carefully.

It is imperative that each unit work with their Scouts in preparing for the College. A list of prerequisites for each merit badge is available on the web site. (www.MeritBadge.com) The list has been developed to enable scouts to complete merit badges. Completing the prerequisites before College will help ensure that the Scouts receive full credit for a badge, rather than receive a "partial".

Acknowledgement

Must be returned to counselor on day 1.

NO EXCEPTIONS

I, parent of _____, hereby understand, and have been completely made aware of the expected Code of Conduct, Rules, and Consequences for spring Merit Badge College 2010. Furthermore I attest, that I have made _____ aware of Code of Conduct, Rules and Consequences. In the event that my child needs to be removed from Merit Badge College contact me:

Parent's signature _____

Scouts signature _____ Troop _____

Phone # _____

Alt Phone # _____

MERIT BADGE COLLEGE APPLICATION
 OLD NORTH STATE COUNCIL
 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Merit Badge: _____ **DISTRICT** _____

College Session: _____ **Date:** _____



Scout Information:

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Rank _____ Troop _____ Scoutmaster _____

Prerequisites completed: (Please complete before coming to College.)

#	Scoutmaster Signed	#	Scoutmaster Signed
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Requirements Completed in Merit Badge College:

#	Counselor Initial	#	Counselor Initial	#	Counselor Initial
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Requirements NOT Completed in Merit Badge College:

#	Counselor Initial	#	Counselor Initial	#	Counselor Initial
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Merit Badge COMPLETED/ NOT COMPLETED (Circle One)

Counselor Gives Scoutmaster Approval for Completion merit badge Y or N

Counselor Signature _____ Date _____

Scoutmaster Approval _____ Date _____