# Merit Badge College 2024

# GUIDE FOR SCOUTS, SCOUTERS AND PARENTS

#### Dates:

January 27, 2024 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM February 3, 2024 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM February 10, 2024 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

#### Location:

Easton Country Day School, 660 Morehouse Road, Easton, CT 06612

### Registration:

Registration is on-line and by Troop ONLY. All information will be sent to the Scoutmaster. <a href="https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1151">https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1151</a>

### Sign ups:

Scouts **MUST BE First Class** or above at the start of Merit Badge College. Each Scout can take up to three Merit Badges. Please do NOT select a merit badge the Scout has already earned. Scouts registered without a rank will not be considered. Please register early as registration will be closed at the deadline date or when capacity has been reached, whichever comes first. **Space is limited in all classes.** 

## **Expectations of Scouts:**

All Scouts and Scouters are required to wear the official Scout uniform. Scouts are expected to complete all requirements for the Merit Badge as stated. **Attendance alone does not guarantee completion of the Merit Badge**.

Some Merit Badges may have pre-requisite work to be done before the first class; it will be communicated by the instructor but will also be listed on the pages about Merit Badge College. Credit will be given only where a specific individual requirement or project has been fulfilled. Some badges such as Family Life, Personal Management and Citizenship in the Community cannot be completed in the time frame of Merit Badge College and may need to be completed with the instructor or another counselor.

Merit Badge College is open to Scouts First Class and above. Scouts applying for admission must read and understand the requirements for those badges they wish to earn. Scouts should note any prerequisites for badges selected. Merit Badge requirements are found <a href="mailto:online">online</a> (https://www.scouting.org/skills/merit-badges/all/) or in the individual Merit Badge books. Merit badges required for Eagle may be found in the back of the ScoutsBSA Handbook. Be sure to consult



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the most recent edition of each book. Scouts can start on requirements prior to Merit Badge College. Merit Badge Pamphlets will NOT be provided. You can purchase paper versions at the <u>Scout Shop</u> or <u>Kindle format on Amazon</u>.

Prerequisites for the 2024 Merit Badge College are available online.

Registrations should be completed by the Scoutmaster or Unit Advancement Chairman. Scouts should not register individually.

Reminder—Space is limited to 15 Scouts per session, so please register early.

The Scoutmaster will receive a confirmation email for on-line registrations. This signifies approval by the Scoutmaster for Scouts to begin working on the Merit Badges. Any objections to a Scout's registration should be communicated to the Merit Badge College committee.

Merit Badge class assignments will be emailed to the Scouts prior to Merit Badge College. Information about progress (completion or partial) will be e-mailed to Scoutmasters after Merit Badge College.

#### Study Hints for Scouts

- 1. Review and understand all Merit Badge requirements.
- 2. Use a notebook to record all assignments, projects and special instructions.
- 3. Record the name, address and contact information of each of your instructors.
- 4. Complete assignments by the next session or per the schedule set by the instructor.
- 5. Projects and assignments should be completed by the final session.

Merit Badge completion reports (indicating work completed and partial work completions) will be mailed out after March 9, 2024.

For the most up to date information on the Merit Badge College, please see our website: <a href="http://ctyankee.org/meritbadgecollege">http://ctyankee.org/meritbadgecollege</a>

You can also contact us via email: meritbadgecollege@ctyankee.org