

PLEASE READ ALL OF THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS regarding registration and participation in the Merit Badge College.



24th Annual
Merit Badge College
Johnson College
3427 N. Main Ave, Scranton, PA 18508
January 28, 2023



For directions to Johnson and campus map:

[Google Maps Directions to 3427 N Main Ave, Scranton PA](#)

<https://johnson.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Campus-Map-as-of-2-14-22.pdf>

Welcome to Merit Badge College! All Scout participants need to register in the Moffat Student Center (#5 on the campus map) between 7:45 a.m. and 8:10 a.m. on Saturday, January 28 (unless your classes do not start until after 8:30 a.m.). If your first class is at 1 p.m. registration is at 12:40 p.m. If your first class is at 3 p.m., registration is at 2:40 p.m.. Dismissal is at 5 p.m., unless your classes end at 12:30 p.m. or 3 p.m.. If so, you may leave, **once you have signed out** and an adult has arrived to pick you up. Room assignments for classes will be provided at sign-in as well as any additional information needed for the rest of the day.

College Orientation will begin promptly at 8:10 a.m. in the Moffat Student Center (for those beginning classes at 8:30 a.m.). Don't be late!

Lunch will be in the Moffat Student Center and is included in your registration fee. Lunch will be from 12:30-1:00 p.m. Afternoon sessions begin at 1 p.m. and continue until either 3 p.m. or 5 p.m., depending on classes taken!

Important: Merit Badge College participants **MUST SIGN OUT** at the Moffat Student Center before leaving Johnson College. Failure to do so will result in exclusion from future Merit Badge College classes.

Remember: Bring with you all work required to be done in advance of Merit Badge College as indicated on the pre-requisite table listed below. **All written requirements must be completed in type-written form. A written response involving text a Scout has “copied and pasted” (or otherwise borrowed verbatim from a source) will not be accepted as fulfillment of a pre-requisite. The written response must be in the Scout’s own words.** Pre-requisite work will not be returned. You are required to email your pre-requisite work in advance. Remember to do so **no later than 5pm, Wednesday, January 25** – More specific information on how to email your work in advance is listed below.

Don't Forget to Bring: A notebook and pen, personal bottle of hand sanitizer, a face mask (just in case there is a need/requirement), **hard copies** of all pre-requisite work, any additional equipment/supplies needed as indicated in the requirements on the Merit Badge College website

(<https://www.nepabsa.org/meritbadgeprereq>) or in the table listed below. You **must** also have **a copy of the merit badge book** for each merit badge you are taking.

Remember: Successful completion of any merit badge is not guaranteed just for showing up. Classroom participation counts. Those Scouts not fully completing a merit badge, for any reason, will be provided a partial. Pre-requisites not completed by beginning of class will result in an automatic MB partial. *Be prepared!*

Also Note: Official 'Class A' Uniform is required, which is: the full BSA uniform, including the shirt, pants/shorts, socks, and belt. Shirts must be buttoned up and tucked in. (No merit badge sashes, please.)

All Scouts and leaders are reminded that the Code of Conduct expected at Merit Badge College is the Scout Oath and Law.

Merit Badge College Class Pre-Requisites and Information

Merit Badge	Class Pre-Requisites	Additional Equipment/Information
American Business	1a, 1c, 1d, 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 5, 6b	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Automotive Maintenance	2h, 2i, 4c, 5a, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9a, 11a, 12	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Bring bag with old long sleeve shirt/hoodie and old sweat pants/sports pants (that you can pull on <u>over the top</u> of your uniform pants & shirt). You may get oil/grease/dirt on these clothes.
Chemistry	1, 2b, 2c, 3, 4b, 5, 6	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Citizenship in the Community	2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. The community discussed in Requirements 3, 4, & 8 should be the community where you reside and consider to be your home community.
Citizenship in the Nation	5, 6, 7, 8	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Citizenship in the World	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Digital Technology	1, 2a, 5b, 6, 7a, 8	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Bring your Cyber Chip card. Bring a USB stick / thumb drive with your projects for #6.
Disabilities Awareness	3, 4, 5, 7	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Electricity	2, 5, 8, 9a	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Electronics	2, 5a, 5b, 6	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Separate, additional information will also be emailed to you.
Emergency Preparedness	1, 2b, 2c, 6b, 7, 8, 9	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Bring copy/proof of completion of your First Aid MB. Separate, additional information will also be emailed to you.
Engineering	1, 2, 5, 9	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.

Fingerprinting	1, 2	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Home Repairs	1	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Metalwork	1, 2, 4	Bring tin snips (if owned) and sturdy work gloves. (<i>Written work does NOT need to be emailed in advance, bring it with you.</i>)
Mining in Society	1a, 1c, 6b, 8b	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Model Building & Design	1, 2, 3, 5, 6	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Personal Management	1, (2), 5, 8a, 8b, 8c, 9, 10	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Plumbing	1a, 1b, 2,	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Programming	1a, 2, 3, 4, (5), 5d, 6	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Bring a USB stick / jump drive with your projects for #6.
Public Speaking	(1), 2, 4, 5	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website.
Scholarship	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website/enclosed notice. Bring proof of grades for #1 and note for #3
Sports	2a, 4, 5a, 5c	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Bring copy of current physical for requirement #2a and bring notes for requirements #4 and #5.
Welding	1a, 2, 3, 4, 5a, 7	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Bring a bag with heavy long pants, sturdy closed-toed shoes, long sleeve heavy work shirt. (that you can pull on <u>over the top</u> of your uniform pants & shirt). You may get oil/grease/dirt on these clothes.
Woodwork	1c, 2, 5, 7	Pre-requisites must be emailed. See council website. Bring your Totin' Chip card (1c); wood samples (2b); project & related materials (5)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Follow the information below regarding emailing your written pre-requisite work:

- 1.) Locate the pre-requisites for your merit badge on the council website at <https://www.nepabsa.org/meritbadgeprereq>. All pre-requisites appear in **bold type**.
- 2.) Create a Word or PDF document (file) titled with your name and that of the merit badge, for example: *EmerPrepMB-StevenSmith*
- 3.) Determine those pre-requisites which require you to “**write**” or “**list**” something to complete it and prepare them for emailing as outlined here.
- 4.) Pre-requisites that ask you to bring a ‘kit’, a ‘model’, ‘drawing’, ‘photos’, ‘notebook’, or a ‘verification’, for example, do not need to be emailed, but rather brought along with you to Merit Badge College.
- 5.) Type each ‘**written**’ merit badge pre-requisite and corresponding answer in the Word or PDF document. **Answers should be composed by you! Counselors will not accept language that you have simply copied and pasted from a reference source!**
- 6.) Once you have completed **all** written pre-requisites for the merit badge, email them in a single Word or PDF attachment, to the following address: meritbadgecollege@nepabsa.org.

(Do not send your work as a link to a Google Docs file or similar online format.)

Make sure you identify **who you are** and **what Merit Badge** the submission is for in your email message or subject line.

Please send all requirements for the same merit badge together in one email attachment, do not send each requirement separately. However, do **send separate emails for different merit badges.**

You will receive a confirmation message stating your email has been received.

Please contact the Scout Service Center at (570) 207-1227 x225 if you have any questions about this pre-requisite submission process. Thank you.