

Merit Badge Listing

The following is a list of all current merit badges, arranged into 14 fields of activity. Eagle required badges are noted in red.

Agribusiness | Animal Science, Farm Mechanics, Plant Science

Arts and Crafts | Art, Basketry, Bugling, Leatherwork, Metalwork, Music, Pottery, Sculpture, Theater, Wood Carving

Business and Industry | American Business, Digital Technology, Entrepreneurship, Inventing, Mining In Society, Pulp & Paper, Salesmanship, Textiles, **Communications**, Journalism, Moviemaking, Photography, Public Speaking, Radio, Reading

Conservation | **Environmental Science**, Fish and Wildlife Management, Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation, **Sustainability**

Hobbies and Outdoors | Backpacking, **Camping**, Chess, Coin Collecting, Collections, Cooking, Dog Care, Gardening, Genealogy, **Hiking**, Model Design & Building, Pets, Pioneering, Scouting Heritage, Stamp Collecting, Wilderness Survival

Natural Science | Archaeology, Astronomy, Bird Study, Geology, Insect Study, Mammal Study, Nature, Oceanography, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Weather

Personal Development | American Cultures, American Heritage, **Citizenship in the Community**, **Citizenship in the Nation**, **Citizenship in the World**, Disabilities Awareness, **Family Life**, Indian Lore, **Personal Fitness**, **Personal Management**, Scholarship

Physical Science | Chemistry, Electricity, Electronics, Energy, Nuclear Science, Space Exploration

Professions | Architecture, Dentistry, Engineering, Game Design, Landscape Architecture, Law, Medicine, Programming, Robotics, Surveying, Veterinary Medicine

Public Service | Crime Prevention, **Emergency Preparedness**, Fingerprinting, Fire Safety, **First Aid**, **Lifesaving**, Public Health, Safety, Search & Rescue

Sports | Archery, Athletics, Canoeing, Climbing, **Cycling**, Fishing, Fly Fishing, Geocaching, Golf, Horsemanship, Kayaking, Motorboating, Orienteering, Rifle Shooting, Rowing, Scuba Diving, Shotgun Shooting, Skating, Small-Boat Sailing, Snow Sports, Sports, **Swimming**, Water Sports, Whitewater

Trades | American Labor, Automotive Maintenance, Composite Materials, Drafting, Graphic Arts, Home Repairs, Painting, Plumbing, Welding, Woodwork

Transportation | Aviation, Railroading, Traffic Safety, Truck Transportation



SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM DETAILS

MERIT BADGE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The Merit Badge Sponsorship Program is designed to offer business and community supporters unique marketing benefits themed around the BSA merit badge program.

Merit Badge Sponsors are highlighted throughout the year in communications with our nearly 2,500 youth and families and our over 1,000 volunteers.



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MERIT BADGE SPONSORS - OUR VERY SPECIAL NORTHEAST IOWA COUNCIL FRIENDS OF SCOUTING



Northeast Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America Merit Badge Sponsors are special Friends of Scouting donors who provide opportunities for youth to benefit from Scouting's rich traditions of Adventure, Leadership, and Service. Unlike many other youth programs, Scouting is a year-round activity and is a model of positive youth development.

Scouting addresses the needs of youth through:

- *Ongoing adult mentoring relationships* | Scouts are supported over many years by volunteer leaders who help provide a sustainable role model that can be critical in their development. This type of ongoing, multiyear mentorship is just not found in schools or sports.
- *The teaching of applicable real-life skills* | Through Scouting, young people learn everything from swimming to cooking, public speaking to budgeting, and first aid to bird study. These skills are reinforced through the merit badge program and helps youth develop self-confidence and self-efficacy.
- *The opportunity for true leadership* | Scouting is supported by adults, but lead by young people who plan and run the majority of meetings and activities. These leadership roles help young people develop managerial skills that will set the stage for a successful life.



Scouting helps young people in five critical areas of positive youth development:

Connection | Scouts are part of a community - something bigger than themselves.

Competency | Scouts learn basic skills that help them every day and throughout life.

Confidence | Through leadership and experience, they gain self-confidence.

Caring | A Scout is a friend to all and through community service develops a sense of caring.

Character | A Scout lives by the Scout Oath and Law to be a person with strong values.

With your support as an annual Friends of Scouting Merit Badge Sponsor, the Northeast Iowa Council will be able to ensure that more youth will be able to participate in our unique Scouting programs.

ANNUAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM BENEFITS

Merit Badge Sponsorship (\$500 each)

- A complimentary copy of the Merit Badge pamphlet you sponsor
- Signage recognition at the Northeast Iowa Council service center
- Printed recognition during summer camp at Camp C.S. Klaus
- Logo and name recognition on the Northeast Iowa Council website
- Logo and name recognition in the Northeast Iowa Council online newsletter
- Logo and name recognition on the Northeast Iowa Council Facebook page
- A framed certificate for display in your office or home
- Two dinner tickets for the Boy Scout Golf Classic Dinner held in July

Eagle Merit Badge Sponsorship (\$1,000)

- All of the merit badge sponsor recognition benefits, plus:
- A special gift presented at our Boy Scout Golf Classic Dinner



SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Please sign me up for the following:

- \$500 Merit Badge Sponsorship
- \$1,000 Eagle Merit Badge Sponsorship
- Check Enclosed Please Bill Me



Contact Name _____

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Merit Badge(s) _____

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