

Below are common questions asked about summer camp. If you find you have a question which is not addressed here please send an email to the scoutmaster and we will get this page updated.

Q: What is needed for a "home" First aid kit needed as a pre-req for summer camp?

A: http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/First_Aid_Kit

Q: What kind of games can be brought?

A: Any board game, cards, anything non-electronic. One exception to the electronics. A scout may bring "Battleship" or other similar electronic scoring type games

Q: Can I bring a battery powered fan

A: Absolutely,, make sure you bring enough batteries to last the week.

Q: Can I bring water gun, water balloons

A: Yes to both however, if a scout brings water balloons they are responsible for picking up the broken balloons after the fun is done. Please do not bring "Giant" water guns. These are too difficult to load on the trailer.

Q: How much money should I bring A: \$30 seems to be a good amount for spending at the trading post during the week. Bring more if you want a shirt or hat. Also make sure you bring money for any Merit Badge purchase you may need. See the prerequisites and prices for camp at

http://www.danbeard.org/camp/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=45:choices-and-pre-requisites&catid=4:merit-badges&Itemid=11

Q: If I do not have a Totem Chit can I still bring my knife A: Yes however, a scout may not use his knife until he has earned the Chit. This can be easily earned by the scout by talking to one of the troop scout leaders

Q What time do we leave on Sunday

A: Meet at the scout building at 12:00

Q: Do we wear out scout uniform on Sunday

A: Yes. Every scout must be in a full class "A". Meaning Scout Shirt, Green or beige pants, scout socks, Scout Belt and Shoes (no Sandals). If a scout does not wear these on Sunday we will wait for the parent to go home to get them or a scout can purchase any missing items (usually socks or belt) at the Trading Post on Sunday.

Q: Do we need blue card before the scouts work on Pre-Reqs?

A: No, The blue cards will be handed out at summer camp and held by the MB counselors at camp. We get them back at the end of the week with all the completed requirements.

Q: If a scout does not get classified as a swimmer can they still fish?

A: Yes, All fishing at Camp Friedlander is done from shore. The scout will still need a buddy to fish but a swimming classification is not needed

Q: How will the scouts do rope making?

A: Rope making is a good summer camp evening activity. The troop has the materials needed for this requirement so it can be done at summer camp and turned into the counselor at any time

Q: Why do the scouts need to show their books to The Advancement Chair?

A: We are going to put together some "program" opportunities for the scouts to complete some of their lower rank requirements. To create the most "bang for the buck", we need to make sure we can get the most scouts involved in an activity

Q: A scout is signed up for Art or other MB which requires a trip to a museum or business. What should I do?

A: The scout should go to the museum and be prepared to supply any information to the counselor at camp. It might be a good idea for him to write a short paragraph about the experience to jog his memory if necessary. At camp they may be asked to get a signed note from the scoutmaster indicating they performed the activity. The plan is to verify pre-reqs during the Inspection day activities. (For Art MB you can visit [this place in Springboro](#))

Q: What was the decision for the Personal First Aid kit each scout needs? Purchase a kit or build from parts the troop has?

A: A personal FA kit should be nothing more than an assortment of band aids and some antiseptic. The troop has everything else he may need. Wal-Mart and others sell cheap personal FA kits that are about 3"x4" and has everything he would need.

Q: For the swimming merit badge, can the scout wear the scout pants (class A)?

A: Absolutely as long as they are long pants. Hopefully they will dry fast because he will need to eat dinner in them.

Q: Will the new scouts work on and receive their Tot-n-Chip in the evenings?

A: Yes, the ones doing wood carving with definitely be done on Sunday evening, the rest to be done when they want during the week.

A: If the scout does not get all of the requirements for a merit badge done prior to the camping week, can he finish them after camp?

A: Yes, He will have to find a councilor to sign off the reminder of the blue card. I can do most of them but there may be several we will have to find a councilor for. In general, I believe 90% of the summer camp merit badges have an adult in the troop who can sign them off.

General Comment: Summer Camp merit badges are a lot like school work. They scouts will go to MB classes during the day and they may have "homework" to do during the evening. The scouts can work on requirements out of order and there is no "late" homework. As long as the work is turned in On Thursday or Friday of the week, it will be counted. Part of the job of scoutmasters is to ensure they have every opportunity to complete and turn in the work they do.