

Merit Badge College
Conasauga District
Northwest Georgia Council

Leaders Guide

January 24th and 31st, 2015

Thank you for taking time to review the Merit Badge College Leader's Guide. We hope this guide will answer your questions and concerns. If you do have additional questions please feel free to contact Joan Whitfield (joan.whitfield@yahoo.com 706-847-5547) or Rafael Heurta (706-934-3823). We look forward to seeing you and your troop at Merit Badge College this January.

Registration Process:

Registration fees are \$10.00 per youth (meals are **NOT** provided)

All registrations for the 2015 Merit Badge College must be completed online. Registration will begin immediately and end 1-22-14. All fees should be paid at this time or before January 22nd by mail or in the local scout shop. No money will be collected at Merit Badge College.

Lunch Options:

Each Troop will be responsible for providing their own lunch this year. Due to food allergies and other dietary needs one menu no longer works for our format. Due to limited time for lunch units should be prepared to brown bag or have one leader pick-up to go food and bring it back to the school in time for the lunch hour.

Food will be allowed in the **Cafeteria only!** No food or drinks in the classrooms. **Drink machines at the school will be closed to Scouts.** You may bring water bottles that can be closed for scouts to have during breaks.

Location: Dalton Middle School

Our Merit Badge College will be held at Dalton Middle School this year (1250 Cross Plans Trail, Dalton GA) map and driving instructions attached.

Dress Code for the day:

The uniform of the day will be Field Uniform (Class A) all scouts should be in proper uniform for this event.

Scout Spirit and Merit Badge College Expectation:

The following are expectations for everyone participating in Merit Badge College. We expect that all Scouts and Leaders present will represent the highest ideals of Boy Scouts of America. What others see during this event is what they will remember about Scouting. We expect you to wear your uniform correctly.

Scouts are expected to be attentive in class and courteous to all instructors. Remind your scouts these instructors are volunteering their time and are there to help them along the trail to Eagle.

Dalton Middle School and Dalton Public Schools are generous in allowing the use of their campus. All scouts are expected to respect the facility and grounds of Dalton Middle School. Please don't throw trash anywhere except in a trash receptacle, pick up after yourself - especially at lunch. Don't write on anything except paper you brought or that was provided for you. Be respectful in the restrooms and leave them clean!

Check In:

Plan to arrive at 8:00 am on January 24th. Check in will take place in the commons area of Dalton Middle School. Each troop should send the Senior Patrol Leader and the Scoutmaster to the check in table. Be sure to have a complete list of all scouts attending and the classes they are taking. We will have rosters

but want to verify every one listed is present and assigned to the correct classes. (Advance registration is required no walk-ons)

Scout Leaders:

Merit Badge College would not be successful without your help. Each troop should provide a minimum of two adult leaders who can help monitor classes and assist instructors (attendance, etc). Help is also needed to monitor hallways.

Help will also be needed at the end of the day in straightening class rooms, cleaning white boards, checking trash, cleaning restrooms, etc.

Opening Ceremony:

The opening ceremony will begin at 8:40 in the Cafeteria. Any changes and announcements will be made at this time. It is important that all your scouts be at this opening.

Classroom Assignments:

All classrooms used for Merit Badge College will be well identified, all other rooms are closed and off limits.

Event Schedule:

Saturday, January 24th

8:00 a.m.	Registration
8:40 a.m. – 8:55	Opening Ceremony
9:00 – 12:00	Morning Classes
12:15 – 12:50	Lunch
1:00 – 4:00	Afternoon Classes

Saturday, January 31st

8:30 a.m.	Arrive by
8:40 a.m. – 8:55	Opening Ceremony
9:00 – 12:00	Morning Classes
12:15 – 12:50	Lunch
1:00 – 4:00	Afternoon Classes

Emergency Weather Plans:

In case of inclement weather Dalton Public School will make the decision to close campus and we will reschedule for another day. Therefore each troop needs to supply an emergency contact person and contact number. As soon as a decision is made the contact person will be informed.

Class considerations:

All Eagle required Merit badges are reserved for Scouts who are First Class and above. Please do not register younger scouts for these classes. Please take the time to review the class lists before obtaining class request from your scouts.

Class Size:

Classes are limited to 25 scouts unless otherwise indicated. Classes will be filled on a first-come basis.

Books and Materials:

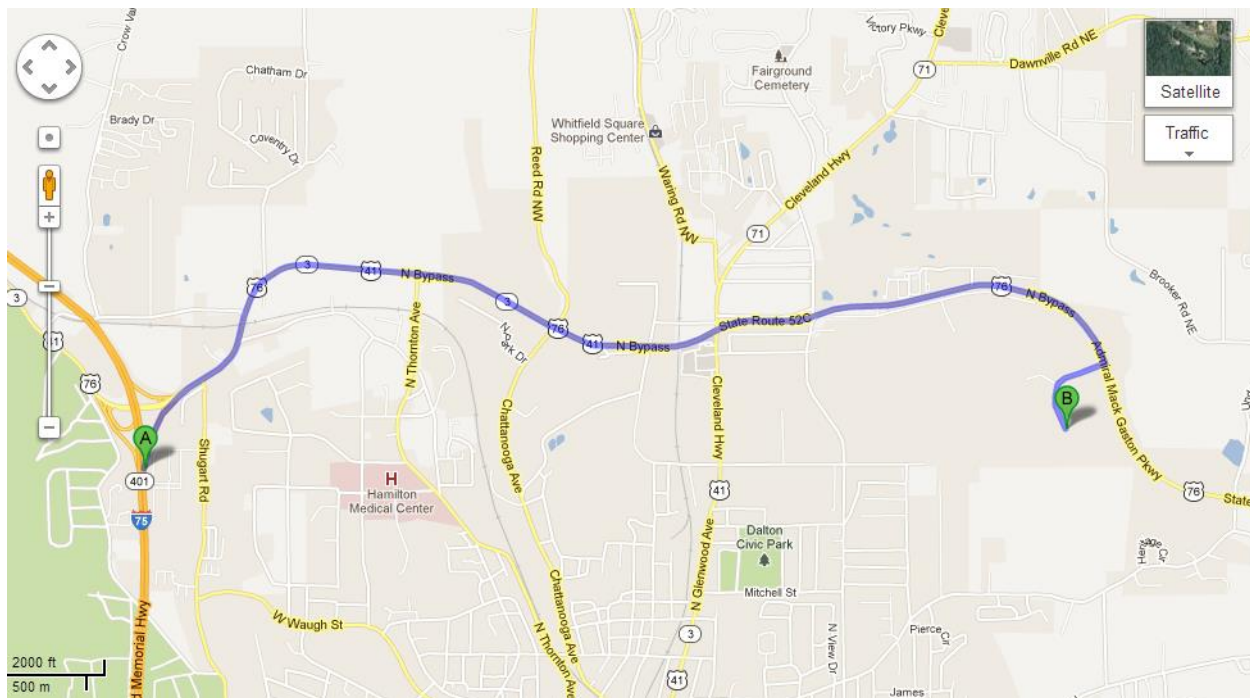
All scouts should come prepared to take notes and keep track of handouts and assignments. So pen/pencil and paper are required!

All scouts should have secured and read the Merit Badge Pamphlet for the classes for which they are registered . Additional supplies and materials that instructors wish to include will be supplied.

Updates and reminders will be distributed by email. Please contact Joan Whitfield (joan.whitfield@yahoo.com (706-847-5547) to add names to the email list.

Blue Cards:

Blue cards will be provided by the council. Blue cards will be available for pick-up at the February 5th Roundtable. This allows an accurate check of attendance and requirements completed.



Driving directions to 1250 Cross Plains Trail, Dalton, GA 30721



Exit 336

1. Head north on Exit 336 toward Chattanooga Rd

0.3 mi



2. Slight right onto Chattanooga Rd

0.3 mi

3. Continue onto US-76 E/N Bypass/State Route 52 Con

Continue to follow US-76 E

3.7 mi



4. Turn right onto Cross Plains Trail

Destination will be on the left

0.4 mi



1250 Cross Plains Trail

Dalton, GA 30721

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Attendance on both Saturdays will be required to complete the Merit Badge. Each scout should select both a morning and an afternoon class.

Morning Classes

Art
Citizenship in the Nation
Citizenship in the World
Communication
Digital Technology
Electricity
Engineering
First Aid
Genealogy
Law
Movie Making

Afternoon Classes

Chess
Citizenship in the Community
Collecting / Coin Collecting
Drafting
Emergency Preparedness
Family Life
Personal Management
Photography
Programing
Soil & Water
Traffic Safety
Weather

Worksheet for Scout Sessions

Each scout should choose both a morning and afternoon class. Attendance on both Saturdays will be required to complete the Merit Badge.

Registration should be completed on Doubleknot by January 22nd.

	Scouts Name	Morning Class	Afternoon Class
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