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TROOP LEADERS INFORMATION PACKET



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI TROOP 457 MERIT BADGE COLLEGE

**AT ST. BENEDICT AT AUBURNDALE HS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024**

**ON-LINE REGISTRATION IS \$ 30.00
REGISTER AT:**

<https://www.troop457bsa.org/merit-badge-college-info>

OPEN NOW UNTIL MIDNIGHT FEB. 17

WALK-INS AVAILABLE DAY OF FOR \$ 40

MBC INFORMATION

Location, Parking, Entry and General Schedule

The Troop 457 MBC will be held at **St. Benedict at Auburndale HS** (8250 Varnavas Dr, Cordova, TN 38016) on Saturday, February 24, 2024

Parking is available in the large student parking lot between SBA and Germantown Pkwy. Accessed from Varnavas Drive.

Attendees will enter the building at the northern entrance doors that face Germantown Parkway.

Scouts: Go to the cafeteria with their troop.

Troop Leaders: **Check in at front table in the entry and sign for their Troop Packet**

7:00 am	Walk-In Registration
8:00 am	Opening Ceremony & Most MBs on Sash Contest
8:30 am	AM Session begins
12:00 pm	Lunch & Other Contests
1:00 pm	PM Session begins
4:30 pm	PM Session ends; NO closing ceremony

Troop Leaders

- **At first entry table pick up your scouts' packets.**
- **In the cafeteria hand out packets to each scout. No wristbands this year.**
- If registration changes are to be made, head down the B hall, 1st door on left.

Scout Expectations

- **Wear Class A uniform. (MB Sash required if entering contest.)**
- Engage in the classes they are signed up for.
- Phone use not allowed during class sessions except as needed by some MB counselors.
- Bring some cash for concessions if desired.

SCOUTS ARE NOT TO BE WANDERING THE HALLS DURING BREAKS/END OF SESSIONS.

All participants are expected to abide by the Scout Oath and Law during the MBC. Any participant whose conduct does not meet this standard may be asked to leave a merit badge class (without receiving credit) and/or the event. Scouts with the assistance of their leaders or parents are responsible for arriving at their scheduled classes on time.

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Most Merit Badges on Sash Contest – **Opening Ceremony**

Scouts interested in participating in the Most Merit Badges contest should wear their sash with merit badges attached. (1st and 2nd place gift cards)

Scout that won top place last year is not eligible this year.



**SCOUTS SHOULD WEAR
THEIR SASH TO ENTER
CONTEST**

Concessions

Snacks, candy and drinks are available for purchase before the opening ceremony, during session breaks and after lunch. Cash only.

Off-Site Details

Troop leaders or parents are responsible for driving their scouts to and from an off-site location.

SCULPTURE AM & PM

Lugar Bronze Foundry LLC
11379 HWY 64
ARLINGTON, TN 38002

AM Off-site attendees can return to SBA to eat in the dining hall.

PM Off-site attendees may grab a lunch to go and eat on the way to their destination.

PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE FOR MB CLASSES

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MERIT BADGE CLASSES

- **LOCATION:** To Be Determined
- **ADD'L DRESS, IF ANY:** Outdoor activities may require add'l clothing.
- **PRE-REQS:** Listed only if **required for entry** or able to be brought in and signed off on
- **REQS NOT COVERED:** Any reqs not covered at MBC.
Some scouts may have additional requirements that were not met on event day.
NONE means an expectation that the MB will be completed on the day.
- **AM & PM** sessions offered. NA=Not available at that time.

MERIT BADGE	LOCATION; ADD'L DRESS, IF ANY; ANY PRE-REQS FOR ENTRY ; REQS EXPECTED TO NOT COVER	AM	PM
American Heritage	TBD PRE-REQS: (1 and 3c) REQS NOT COVERED: 1, 3c	NA	PM
Automotive Maintenance	TBD DRESS FOR WEATHER PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: NONE	NA	PM
Aviation <i>Added 1/10</i>	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 4	AM	NA
Chess	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: NONE	AM	PM
Cit in the Community *	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 3a&b,4abc, 7abc	AM	PM
Cit in the Nation*	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: Part of 5, 6a-e, 7, Part of 8	AM	PM
Cit in Society*	TBD PRE-REQS: (Proof of 2, 5,6,9 for sign-off) REQS NOT COVERED: 2,5,6,9	AM	NA
Cit in World*	TBD PRE-REQS: Permission to view Gov't & Media websites <i>See Consent Form on Page 9 of this packet.</i> REQS NOT COVERED: NONE	AM	PM
Communications*	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: (3),5,7, 8	AM	PM
Composite Materials	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 4, 6	AM	NA
Crime Prevention & Fingerprinting	TBD: PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: CRIME 7 REQS NOT COVERED : FNGRPRNT: NONE	NA	PM
Dog Care	TBD; PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 4, 5, 8	AM	PM
Drafting	TBD: PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 3	AM	NA
Electricity	TBD	AM	PM

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	PRE-REQS: Complete in advance 2,8 & 9a & bring to class REQS NOT COVERED:		
Electronics \$10 supply fee <i>Added 1/10</i>	TBD PRE-REQS: NONE REQS NOT COVERED: None, but 4c project must be operational	NA	PM
Emergency Preparedness*	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 1, 6, 7	AM	PM
Engineering	TBD PRE-REQS: (2 & 9 can be brought in for sign-off) REQS NOT COVERED: 2 & 9	AM	NA
Environmental Science*	TBD DRESS FOR WEATHER PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 3f , 4	AM	NA
Family Life*	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 3,4,5,6b	AM	PM
First Aid*	TBD PRE-REQS: 2a Home Emergency Escape Plan 5a First Aid Kit REQS NOT COVERED: 2a, 5a, 5b	ALL	DAY
Geocaching	TBD DRESS FOR WEATHER PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 7, 8, 9	NA	PM
Music	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 3a,b, c, (4)	AM	PM
Personal Fitness*	TBD WEAR TENNIS SHOES PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 1b,6b,7, 8	AM	NA
Personal Management*	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 1, 2a-d,8 b-d,9, 10	AM	PM
Pet Care AND Scholarship	TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 1, 4 TBD PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: varies 1,3,4	AM	NA
Plant Science	TBD DRESS FOR WEATHER PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: 5, & for Horticulture opt: 8A & 8E	NA	PM
Scouting Heritage	TBD PRE-REQS: (Can bring proof of 5, 6 (patches) & 8) REQS NOT COVERED: 5, 8 & any patches for req 6	AM	NA
Sculpture	OFFSITE: Lugar Bronze Foundry LLC 11379 HWY 64 ARLINGTON, TN 38002 PRE-REQS: REQS NOT COVERED: NONE	AM	PM
Sustainability*	TBD PRE-REQS: (Proof of 1 and 4 for sign-off) REQS NOT COVERED: 1, 2 water a, 2 food a, 2 energy b,c, 2 stuff a,b, 4 & 5a	NA	PM

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ON-LINE REGISTRATION PROCESS & TIPS

1. **Please register your Troop under one contact. Preferably a Troop Leader.**
2. Scouts that want to attend when their Troop Leaders are not attending, should still have the Troop Leader register them if possible.
However, Parent/guardians can create an account and register if needed.
Requirements will still be sent to TL.
3. Use the Scout MB Requests worksheet on last page of this packet to gather all needed info to register your scouts.
4. Go to <https://www.troop457bsa.org/merit-badge-college-info> for the 2024 MBC Registration link.
5. Returning Troop leaders can sign in to their RegPack account with the e-mail address and PW used to create the account.
 - a. If you forgot your PW, follow the prompts to create a new password.
 - b. Your Troop Leader info and Scout information (except age & rank) *should* transfer over.
 - c. Except for e-mail address, any of last year's information may be changed if needed. (Ex: home address, cell phone)
 - d. Scouts that are no longer in your troop may be deleted as attendees.
 - e. For new scouts, click Add Attendee and create their profile.
6. New Troop leaders create an account with e-mail and password.
7. Complete the fields for Troop leaders. Adults may order a lunch for \$ 5.00 through the registration site.
Adults who are Merit Badge Counselors or volunteer for classroom assistance get a free lunch.
8. **Reg Pack software does NOT alphabetize class sessions. Please scan sessions carefully.**
9. Class choices are by AM and PM.
First Aid is all day. Add Part I AM and Part II PM.
10. ****MERIT BADGE CLASSES THAT ARE UNLISTED ON THE REGISTRATION SITE ARE EITHER, FILTERED OUT DUE TO AGE MINIMUMS, OR ARE FULL.****
11. No refunds 7 days after purchase.
12. E-check & credit cards are accepted.

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13. Scouts may be added later to your initial registration by logging in to your account. Click "Add Attendee".

14. **Class changes** are easily made but are done by MBC admin.
E-mail us at Troop457MBC@gmail.com with your request.

15. Online registration ends Saturday, Feb. 17 at midnight.

16. Walk-In registration is available at 7 am on Feb. 24 for \$40.00.

17. Scouts should be prepared for their possible walk-in classes with any pre-requisites including appropriate clothing.

Reporting of Requirements Earned

- Requirements completed will be sent by e-mail within 2 weeks to Troop Leader contact.
- Troop Leaders are responsible for following up with Scouts on merit badge completions.

Please e-mail Troop457MBC@gmail.com for any questions about class availability or willingness to teach or assist in a class.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ON THE 24TH OF FEBRUARY!

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR 'SCOUT MB REQUESTS WORKSHEET'

You will need one copy for each scout attending.

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Scouts Merit Badge Requests Worksheet

Print one for each scout for ease of data entry during Registration.

Please complete ALL of the following as it will be needed in order for your Troopleader to complete the MBC Registration process.

Scout Name: _____

Parent First & Last Name: _____

Parent E-mail: _____

Parent Cell: _____

Scout Age (as of Feb. 2024): _____

Scout Rank: _____

Please indicate your top 4 choices for Merit Badge classes with a #1, #2, #3, & #4 in the appropriate time slot.

Class availability and times are subject to change.

*** = Eagle-required merit badges**

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Merit Badge	Minimum Age	AM	PM
Citizenship in Society (11-13 yrs)*	11	AM	
Automotive Maintenance	13		PM
Electricity	13	AM	PM
Electronics (\$ 10 supply fee)	13		PM
Emergency Preparedness*	13	AM	PM
Engineering	13	AM	
Personal Fitness *	13	AM	
Personal Management *	13	AM	PM
First Aid * (Part I AM) (Part II PM)	14	AL	DAY
American Heritage	none		PM
Aviation	none	AM	
Chess	none	AM	PM
Citizenship in Community *	none	AM	PM
Citizenship in Nation *	none	AM	PM
Citizenship in World*	none	AM	PM
Communication *	none	AM	PM
Composite Materials	none	AM	
Crime Prevention & Fingerprint	none		PM
Drafting	none	AM	
Dog Care	none	AM	PM
Environmental Science *	none	AM	
Geocaching	none		PM
Music	none	AM	PM
Pet Care & Scholarship	none	AM	
Plant Science	none		PM
Scouting Heritage	none	AM	
Sculpture (Offsite: Lugar Bronze Foundry Arlington TN)	none	AM	PM
Sustainability *	none		PM

1/8/24

Parent/Guardian Consent Form
Online Activities
Citizenship in the World Merit Badge



I certify that I am the legal parent/guardian of the scout listed below, and I give my consent for him or her to access/view online Government and Media websites as part of the Citizenship in the World merit badge class.

Scout Name: _____ Troop: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Instructions:

If you use any Adobe products

- download this page and open in Adobe.
- Fill out the form and click the submit button.

If you do not use Adobe,

- just download the form,
- fill it out, **save with Scout's last name**, and
- send the attachment to: Troop457MBC@gmail.com

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SUBMIT

Please click the Submit button to send to Troop457MBC@gmail.com