

## Signal Hill District Merit Badge Clinic

### *Responses to frequently ask questions, FAQ*

- What is the cost of the clinic?
  - There is no cost to Scouts for the Merit Badge clinic. The Barrington United Methodist Church provides the facilities and the counselors volunteer their time.
- How is this clinic different from a Merit Badge Workshop where the counselor works with the Scout through each requirement?
  - Scouts need to prepare in advance to demonstrate they have accomplished the requirements
- What advance work needs to be done?
  - Scouts should know the merit badge requirements and be prepared to demonstrate to the counselor they have satisfied the requirements. The worksheets provide a useful way for Scouts to prepare to meet a counselor.
- How do I know what the merit badge requirements are?
  - The requirements are listed in the Merit Badge pamphlet and available on line at <https://www.scouting.org/programs/boy-scouts/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/>
- Can I come if I don't have a blue card from my Scoutmaster?
  - Scouts are to discuss the merit badge with their Scoutmaster and be given a blue card. You are welcome to come to the clinic if you are prepared to meet with a counselor even if you don't have a blue card
- Can I earn more than one merit badge at the clinic?
  - Yes, Scouts will be able to register for another merit badge once they complete a meeting with a Counselor.
- How many merit badges can a Scout earn at the clinic?
  - The number is based on the level of preparation for demonstrating the requirements have been satisfied, the nature of the merit badge requirements and the time available at the clinic. It is reasonable to complete two but more would be possible.
- How do I register for a merit badge?
  - The selection of a merit badge is accomplished by selecting a "class." The merit badges are listed as classes. If the registration did not completed to check out, return to the registration, make the selection and then check out.
- What will happen if I register more than once, e.g. for more than one merit badge?
  - Duplicate registrations will be dropped and one registration slot reserved for the Scout at the merit badge clinic
- Can I change the merit badge I work on after I register?
  - Yes, when checking in at the clinic you can request the change in merit badge, or send an email in advance to the clinic organizer requesting the change. [ScoutNews.SignalHill@gmail.com](mailto:ScoutNews.SignalHill@gmail.com)
- How do I cancel my clinic registration?
  - Send an email to the clinic organizer with the Scout's name [ScoutNews.SignalHill@gmail.com](mailto:ScoutNews.SignalHill@gmail.com)