Camp Lakota 2023 Prerequisites

Prerequisites help to guide discussion that takes place during Merit Badge classes. They also may assist the Scout in completing the Merit Badge during the week of summer camp. If Pre-Requisites are not completed prior to coming to summer camp, we cannot guarantee a Scout will get a completion by the end of the week. Our Directors, Staff, and Administration reserve the right to retest and/or question completed Prerequisites. If we feel that the work has not been put in by the individual Scout, or if the Scout fails to bring requested documents/proof listed below, then the Individual Scout WILL NOT receive the respective COMPLETED Merit Badge from Camp Lakota, Black Swamp Area Council.

THE CAMP LAKOTA ADMINISTRATION HIGHLY RECOMMENDS THAT EACH SCOUT READS THE MERIT BADGE BOOK FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE MERIT BADGES PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT CAMP.

* Denotes Eagle-Required Merit Badge

Merit Badge Prerequisites				
Merit Badge	Prerequisite(s)	Extra Information		
Archery MB	None			
Astronomy MB	5	Some requirements will be dependent on cloud cover and weather.		
Aviation MB	3(a OR b)	Defiance Airport Field Trip required to complete.		
Basketry MB	None			
Bird Study MB	8(a OR b)			
Camping MB *	4a, 4b, 5e, 7a, 7b 8c, 8d, 9a, 9b, 9c	7a and 7b can be done during the Troop's preparations for camp. Requirement 10 cannot be completed at camp unless ALL prereqs are completed.		
Canoeing MB	Must pass the Swimmers Test.	If a Scout does not pass the Swimmers Test, they will need to choose a different Merit Badge.		
Cit in the World MB *	3, 7			
Climbing MB	None	4-day block session.		
Communication MB *	4, 5, 7(a, b, OR c), 8	Please bring Requirement 5 report and proof of Requirement 7 and 8 to class.		
Cooking MB *	2a, 2c, 2d, 4, 5a, 5b, 6	Will need to take Scouts vs Wild outbound to complete all requirements		
Emergency Preparedness MB *	1, 2c, 6c, 7a, 7b, 8b	Must have earned First Aid MB.		

Environmental Science MB *	None	
Fire Safety MB	6	Defiance Fire Station Field Trip required to complete.
First Aid MB *	1, 5b, 7b	Scouts making First Aid Kits at camp. Nicoteh Scouts must have these done to receive First Aid Merit Badge
Fishing MB	7	Camp Lakota has fishing rods available. Requirement 9 may or may not be completed at camp based on if the fish want to be caught.
Forestry MB	3b, 5 (a, b, OR c)	Please bring a field notebook.
Geocaching MB	7, 8 (a, b, c, OR d), 9	Must go online and create an account for Requirement 7. Please print off a map and bring in a picture of your cache.
Indian Lore MB	None	
Journalism MB	3, 4	Combined session with Photography MB.
Kayaking MB	Must pass the Swimmers Test.	If a Scout does not pass the Swimmers Test, they will need to choose a different Merit Badge.
Lakota Adventure Association (LAA)	Must be 14 AND 1st Class	Older Scout Program. Must have and bring Totin' Chip and Firem' Chit. 4-day block session.
Lakota Conservation Corps (LCC)	Must be 14 AND 1st Class	Older Scout Program. Long pants required. Must have and bring Totin' Chip. 4-day block session.
Learn to Swim Class	None	
Leatherwork MB	None	
Lifesaving MB	Must pass the Swimmers Test. 2a (Earn Swimming MB), 16	If a Scout does not pass the Swimmers Test, they will need to choose a different Merit Badge. If they do not have Swimming Merit Badge, no additional requirements can be completed past 2b.
Mammal Study MB	3(a, b, or c)	
Photography MB	1a,	Combined session with Journalism MB.
Pottery MB	None	
Reptile and Amphibian Study MB	1, 2, 8(a or b)	Have sketches and/or photographs for requirement 1 prepared for class For requirement 2 each scout is expected to be prepared to discuss
Rifle Shooting MB	1f	Bring State Hunting Laws to the first class session.

Rowing MB	2 (Must pass Swimmers Test.)	If a Scout does not pass the Swimmers Test, they will need to choose a different Merit Badge.	
Shotgun Shooting MB	1f	Bring State Hunting Laws to the first class session.	
Small Boat Sailing MB	2(Must pass Swimmers Test)	If a Scout does not pass the Swimmers Test, they will need to choose a different Merit Badge.	
Soil and Water Conservation MB	7		
Space Exploration MB	None		
Swimming MB *	2(Must pass Swimmers Test)	If a Scout does not pass the Swimmers Test, they will need to choose a different Merit Badge.	
Welding MB	Prepare for 1 and 2	Block 1 Merit Badge Scouts must have a long flannel shirt, jeans, and sturdy enclosed shoes to take MB.	
Wilderness Survival MB	5	Will spend the night alone under a natural-made shelter no later than Thursday night.	
Wood Carving MB	2a	Bring Totin' Chip to the first class session.	

Outbound Prerequisites				
Outbound	Prerequisite(s)	Notes		
Brownsea Island: Nicoteh Outbound	None	Attendance required for all Nicoteh Scouts. Older scouts who join will be able to complete some rank advancement and gain leadership experience.		
Chief Pontiac Rive Trip	Paddle Skills Test & Must pass Swimmers Test.	Difficulty will range from route chosen by scouts, staff do get final call based off of the paddle skills test by scouts. Recommended for older scouts.		
Scouts vs Wild	Should have basic scout skills knowledge at the bare minimum.	Scouts in Cooking MD will be given first preference due to requirements being completed on this outbound.		
Eagle Eye	None			
EcoOlympics				
Splash Party	Recommended to pass Swimmers Test	To reach full potential of outbound, it is recommended for scouts to be a swimmer.		
Sportsball	None			
Travel Through Time	None			