



2024 Class Preparation Page - for IN-PERSON class only

Cooking Merit Badge



Expectations

Read and Review ALL requirements prior to the class Even though a requirement may be identified as one to be done in class, Scouts are still expected to familiarize, review, and prepare for the requirement – BE PREPARED!

Active interaction/participation is expected and mandatory.

Share in your own words – avoid reading your answers.

Pay attention to the action verbs.

Bring proof of completion (even partially completed work)



Things to Remember to Bring

- 1. Your BSA ID# and / or your Merit Badge Blue Card properly filled out and signed off by your Scout Leader
- 2. Scout Uniform
- 3. Notes and Questions from reading the Cooking Merit Badge Pamphlet
- 4. Appropriate outdoor weather clothing for the forecasted weather conditions (some/all components of the class will take place outdoors)
- 5. Supporting documentation or project work pertinent to this merit badge which may also include a Merit Badge Workbook for reference with notes.
- 6. A positive Scouting focus and attitude

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Requirements Insight

It must be noted that some requirements may take place outdoors and Scouts should attend with outdoor gear appropriate for the time of year, location, and forecasted weather conditions.

Requirements	Expectations
1, 2a, 2b, 2d, 2e, 3, and 7	If you have prepared ahead of time, you will be able to successfully complete these requirements and requirement components during the class. • Time will be allotted for those Scouts who have prepared to share their work for sign off consideration
2c	 You will need to track you daily level of activity and caloric needs for 5 days. Consider using the chart provided in the Scoutmaster Bucky Cooking Merit Badge Workbook to track your progress. Only those Scouts able to show their tracking will be considered for signoff. The instructor / counselor will facilitate discussion relating to the MyPlate food guide and your tracking, but it still is your responsibility to be appropriately prepared with your response.
4, 5, and 6	The meals prepared for Cooking merit badge requirements 4, 5, and 6 will count only toward fulfilling those requirements and will not count toward rank advancement or other merit badges. Meals prepared for rank advancement or other merit badges may not count toward the Cooking merit badge. You must not repeat any menus for meals actually prepared or cooked in requirements 4, 5, and 6. • The instructor / counselor will facilitate planning and cooking for a few of the meal requirements during the class. It is at the discretion of the instructor / counselor as to which of these will be worked on. • Time will be allotted for those Scouts who have prepared to share their work for sign off consideration — REMEMBER sign off is at the discretion and satisfaction of the counselor — make sure to bring solid proof of completion, simply saying you have done this will NOT be accepted. NOTE: THIS IS AN EAGLE REQUIRED MERIT BADGE AND MAY TAKE A LONG TIME TO COMPLETE AND EARN THESE REQUIREMENTS — This class is not meant to complete the badge but rather offer the opportunity for a number of requirements and their components to be completed.

Merit Badge Workbooks are a tool to aid Scouts with their work preparation. BSA discourages — but does not ban — the use of any merit badge worksheets or workbooks. Merit badge counselors must NEVER require the use of merit badge worksheets or workbooks and may if they choose, refuse to accept them. Scouts shall not be required to use ANY of these to complete a merit badge.

