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ALAMO AREA COUNCIL

MERIT BADGE Extravaganza – December 28-29, 2026



Location: University of the Incarnate Word
Date: December 28 and 29

MBU Agenda/Schedule

7:00 AM	Administration / Registration opens.
7:45 AM	Opening Ceremony
8:00 AM	First Period Starts
11:30 AM	First Period Ends, Start Lunch
12:25 PM	Lunch Ends
12:30 PM	Second Period Starts
4:00 PM	Second Period Ends
4:00 PM	MBE Clean-up Activities
4:15 PM	Troops travel home

Registration: Troop Contact (Nov. 2)

- Troop Contacts (TC) must register online
- Only TC can register scouts for MBU
- TC responsible for troop payment during online registration process.

Registration: Scout (Dec. 2)

- Cost - $75
- Registration – Dec.3– Dec 19 with A&B Health Form Submitted
- Includes lunch, t-shirt and support materials.
- You will be required to enter t-shirt size for each scout during registration process.
- Only TC can register scouts for MBU
- Classes chosen after scout is registered
- Classes are on a first come basis

Registration Closes: (Dec 19 or until full)

Schedule Changes:

- TCs can make necessary.
- No Schedule Changes after Dec. 20
- No Registrations at Event
- No Schedule Changes at Event

Helping Feed Our Community Food Drive

We will be asking each scout attending MBU to bring 5 cans or dry goods of food.

The Scouting Slogan is “Do a good turn daily”. This is an opporutnity for the scouting community to make a difference in the lives of citizens in our community.

EVENT CONTACT

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Merit Badge List

Eagle Merit Badges

(Note: Scouts may only sign up for 2 Eagle MB)

Citizenship in the Community (E)
Citizenship in the Nation (E)
Citizenship in the World (E)
Communications (E)
Emergency Preparedness (E)
Environmental Science (E)
Family Life (E)
Personal Fitness (E)
Personal Management (E)

Merit Badges (half day)

Animal Science
Athletics / Sport (combo)
Automotive Maintenance
Aviation
Chemistry (F $5)
Chess
Dog Care / Pets (combo)
Electronics
Fingerprinting
Mammal Study / Reptile & Amphibian (combo)

Music* (bring proof of band, choir, etc..)

Photography*
Public Speaking

F = Activity Fee
E = Eagle required **(Only 2 per Scout)**
* = Extensive pre-requisites required
$ = Additional Fee (to be paid in class)

Merit Badges (half day)

Radio
Robotics (F $20)
Scouting Heritage
Signs, Signals and Code
Space Exploration (F $10)
Theater

Merit Badges (Full day)

First Aid (E)
Golf (F $15)

DISCLAMERS: SCOUTMASTER APPROVAL IS REQUIRED. NO BLUE CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED OR ISSUED. MERIT BADGES MAY HAVE PRE-REQUISITES, WHICH CAN BE FOUND UNDER THE EVENT UNDER ACTIVITIES. SOME MERIT BADGES MAY NOT BE COMPLETED AT MBU AND PARTIAL CREDIT WILL BE EARNED.

Note: Merit Badge enrollment is on a first come basis. Merit Badges offered may be changed or cancelled without notice due to availability issues.

Scout Leader Activities

- Dutch Oven Cooking
- High Adventure Planning

WANT TO PARTICIPATE

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Counselors / Staff Needed!

John Haines – MBU Chair
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Tori Metcalf – Staff Liaison
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FAQ:

- **MBE Limitations and Policy**
  - Scouts may only register for a total of 2 eagle merit badges.
  - The goal is to provide opportunities for all scouts to earn eagle merit badges
- **Exceeding 2 Eagle Merit Badge sign up limitation**
  - If a troop contact registers a scout for more than 2 eagle merit badges for this event then a merit badge will be removed.
  - The merit badge that is removed will randomly picked.
  - No notification will be provided.
- Information Resources
  - **Pre-Requisites** - Click Activities to display further information
  - **Class Availability** - Click Activities to see which merit badges are still available.
  - **Registration Guide** – Click Resources - http://storage.alamoareabsa.org/event/docs/15547/mbu_registration_guide.pdf
- Class Availability
  - You may check for availability by looking under the **"Activities"** tab on the event.
  - **Please check availability of classes before signing up.**
- Schedule Changes
  - No schedule changes will be performed at the event
  - No registration at event
- Health Forms
  - Must be turned in within a week of registering.
  - Health Forms can electronically be submitted to council office
    - Visit www.alamoareabsa.org
    - Click "Submit Forms" at top right of home page
    - Submit Forms link - https://form.jotform.com/232484862035054
      - Specify – Health Form
  - Health Forms can physically be submitted to council office.
    - Drop them off at the front desk or mail them
      - Alamo Area Council Service Center
      - 2226 N.W. Military Hwy
      - San Antonio, Texas 78213-1894
      - Attention: Winter MBE 2025 – Troop XXXX
  - Registration requires forms to be submitted by Dec. 19

- Uniforms
  - All Scouts must wear tan field uniform or venturing green shirt.
  - Depending upon class, scout may need change of clothes (auto mechanics)
- Scouts
  - Your registration fee includes merit badges, lunch and t-shirt.
  - Scouts **must** bring a current merit badge book, pen or pencil and notebook.
- Troops
  - At least one adult for each troop should be in attendance to help manage and monitor their units.
  - A driver, if a scout has field trip then an adult will be asked to assist in providing transportation for the merit badge field trips
  - Troops who schedule a large group of scouts in a class are discouraged. Many times, there are behavior issues. If a situation arises where behavior of a group of scouts from the same troop occurs then the entire group of scouts will forfeit earning the merit badge. A minimum of TWO warnings will be provided before the group before forfeiting the merit badge.
- Weather
  - If Weather the local weather forecast 24 hours prior to the event is for rain of 1" per hour or more, the event will be cancelled.
- Expulsion from MBE
  - Scouts leaving without signing out
  - Scouts with poor behavior and not following instructions from MBE Administrators or MBE Instructors
  - Scouts expelled from MBE will receive no credit for any classes from the event.
- Troop Contact Responsibilities
  - Provide Scout Schedules to Scouts
  - Provide Campus Maps to Scouts
  - Ensure A&B Health Form are turned by deadlines (lose discounts)
  - Inform Scouts of Expulsion for leaving without Checking out
  - Inform Scouts of No Schedule Changes
  - Remind Scouts to bring 5 cans of food for Food Drive
- Scout Schedules
  - MBE will not be providing schedules at the event
- T-Shirts
  - Scouts will be given a T-shirt if registered by Dec. 12th
  - Some extra shirts will be order but remember the deadline
  - No guarantee for a shirt for registrations after Dec. 12th

- Food Drive
  - We will be conducting a food drive to help families in need. Since the Boys Scout slogan is Do a Good Turn Daily, we would like to request that each boy bring 5 dry good items such as cans of food. This will allow our Scouts to "Do a Good Turn" to our fellow citizens of San Antonio! The food will be donated to a foodbank as our way of saying "Thank You" and to help assist with their outreach program.

- MBU Results
  - Results take – 2 weeks to process. Results will be emailed to troop contact.
  - Results are only sent to troops who are in good standing with the council, which means the following:
    - Troop Rechartered
    - Scout is registered
    - All Fees have been paid for MBE
  - Troop Contacts can download results (when complete)
    - https://storage.alamoareabsa.org/event/docs/13298/downloading_completion_record.pdf

- Class Information
  - Dec. 29 & 30 – University of the Incarnate Word
  - Aviation – Stinson Airport
  - Golf – San Pedro Par 3 – City Course
  - **Personal Management Merit Badge**
    - Personal Management will be taught on the following days.
      - Dec. 28&29th – Incarnate Word
      - Jan 23th – Zoom
      - Feb 27 – Zoom

  - Personal Fitness will be taught on the following days
      - Dec 28th – Incarnate Word
      - Jan 9th – McGimsey Scout Park
      - Feb 6st – McGimsey Scout Park
      - Mar 6th – McGimsey Scout Park
      - Apr 17th – McGimsey Scout Park